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**Davidson Hotel Company Increases Executive Bench Strength by Four
*Group Has More Than 80 Years Hospitality Experience, 35 Years at Davidson***

MEMPHIS, Tenn., March 2, 2009—Officials of Davidson Hotel Company (DHC), one of the nation’s largest hotel management companies, today announced that they have promoted four associates to the executive level: Mary Jean Campochiaro, vice president of hotel accounting; Lew Lemon, regional vice president of operations; Stephen Kilroy, vice president of food and beverage; and Ron Hardin, vice president of technology. Together, they have a total of more than 80 years of hospitality experience, 35 of them with Davidson.

“Each of these individuals brings a unique and creative skillset to our management team,” said Patrick Lupsha, Davidson’s chief operating officer. “Their years in the hospitality industry through all phases of the economic cycle make them a vital source of knowledge and leadership to draw upon. We are looking to them to create experience-based strategies that will drive our properties during these difficult times and help grow profit and market share.”

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As vice president of hotel accounting, Mary Jean Campochiaro will oversee all aspects of hotel accounting, culminating in the preparation of periodic financial statements, and is responsible for accounting for Davidson's various hotel acquisitions and dispositions.

Campochiaro was an assistant controller with Wilson Hotel Management Company prior to joining Davidson. She has a Bachelor of Business Administration Degree in Accounting from Memphis State University.

In his new role as regional vice president of operations, Lew Lemon will be responsible for Davidson's hotel properties in the greater Washington, D.C. area. Previously, he was general manager of the Westin Annapolis in Maryland. Lemon graduated from West Virginia University with a BS in Business Administration.

Stephen Kilroy, vice president of food and beverage, will direct Davidson's food and beverage programs, profitability, and customer dining experience. Prior to joining Davidson, Kilroy held several positions at Wyndham Hotels, including corporate director of food and beverage. He earned a Culinary Arts and Food Service Management degree from Johnson & Wales University in Providence, R.I.

As vice president of technology, Ron Hardin's responsibilities will include company-wide management of acquiring, implementing, and supporting technology systems and solutions. Hardin's career includes stints with ITT-Sheraton, Micros Systems, Inc. and Planet Hollywood International, Inc.. He holds a BS degree in Hotel Administration from Cornell University, and the Certified Hospitality Technology Professionals (CHTP) certification from Hospitality Financial and Technology Professional.

About Davidson Hotel Company

Headquartered in Memphis, Tenn., Davidson Hotel Company is an award-winning, full-service hotel owner and third-party management company that provides management, development/renovation, acquisition, consulting and accounting expertise for the hospitality industry. The company currently owns and/or manages 36 upscale, independent and branded hotels with nearly 10,200 rooms across the United States, including such affiliations as Westin, Sheraton, Hyatt, Hilton, Hilton Garden Inn, Embassy Suites, Doubletree, Marriott, Renaissance, Crowne Plaza and Holiday Inn. Additional information on Davidson may be found at the company's Web site, www.davidsonhotels.com.