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HHM CPAs Welcomes Jim Vaughn as Partner

Longtime Chattanooga business and banking leader expands firm's expertise in financial services and beyond

CHATTANOOGA, TN – October 2025 – HHM Certified Public Accountants, a full-service accounting and consulting firm, is proud to announce that **Jim Vaughn, CPA** has joined the firm as a Partner in its Chattanooga office.

Jim brings more than 25 years of experience serving financial institutions and privately held businesses throughout the Southeast. He has extensive expertise in audit, internal controls, regulatory compliance, and strategic advisory for banks, credit unions, and other financial services organizations. Jim will also provide tax and consulting services to privately held companies across a range of industries.



“Jim is deeply connected to Chattanooga’s business community and has spent his career helping clients navigate growth, complexity, and change,” said Donnie Hutcherson, Managing Partner of HHM CPAs. “We’re excited to welcome him to HHM CPAs and proud to add his leadership and expertise to our partner group. Jim’s skills and knowledge will help us to continue delivering the exceptional service and community impact that define our firm.”

Before joining HHM, Jim spent more than two decades at a regional CPA firm, where he served as Partner in Charge of the Chattanooga office and Financial Services Practice Leader, advising community banks and large regional institutions on audit, M&A readiness, and strategic growth initiatives.

A Georgia Southern University graduate with degrees in accounting and finance, Jim is a licensed Certified Public Accountant and an active member of professional and civic organizations. He has served in leadership roles with the Scouting America – Cherokee Area Council and other community nonprofits.

To learn more about Jim Vaughn and HHM CPAs, visit hhmcpas.com.

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