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**VICTORY PARTNERS WELCOMES TWO NEW TEAM MEMBERS**

*Connor Ambrose and Derrick Reagins bring additional expertise to the firm*

**DALLAS (January 6, 2009)** – Victory Partners, LLC, a Texas-based investment banking, financial advisory and private equity firm, is announcing two new team members: Connor Ambrose and Derrick Reagins.

Connor Ambrose will be responsible for general financial analysis in evaluating companies for strategic investment banking transactions. He also will focus on industry-specific research, financial modeling and valuation modeling. Before joining Victory Partners, Connor worked with companies in the oil and gas industry, focusing on drilling rigs and exploration and production, including Liberty International Underwriters where Ambrose directed development of the company's drilling rig book of business.

Derrick Reagins brings years of experience in corporate business development, mergers and acquisitions, strategic marketing, technology and intellectual property management. His strategic, financial and legal insight makes him a key member in the strategic and crisis management practice. Prior to joining the Victory Partners, Derrick served as the strategic marketing manager with Texas Instruments' mobile device processor group, where he drove quarterly and long-range profit and loss planning. In addition, he evaluated and developed global market development strategies for emerging technologies.

"We are excited to welcome Connor and Derrick to our team," said Todd Lazenby, founding partner. "At Victory Partners, we focus on hiring talented individuals with a deep understanding of a variety of industries. With the addition of Connor's oil and gas background and Derrick's extensive experience in both the technology industry and in intellectual property management, Victory Partners will continue to provide our clients with a team that understands entrepreneurs and their industries – so we can better serve their business needs."

**Victory Partners, LLC**

Victory Partners, LLC is a Texas-based financial advisory and private equity firm serving the middle market. The company specializes in mergers and acquisitions, corporate finance and financial advisory services. In addition, the firm, through its private equity affiliate, Royal Ascot, actively pursues acquisitions and controlling investments in middle market



companies. Victory Partners also offers comprehensive strategic and enterprise crisis management assistance. Major Victory Partners investor and partner is Fort Worth-based Hickman Companies, Inc., a holding corporation for more than 75 companies and related entities that operate in the areas of manufacturing, farming, real estate, oil and gas, and entertainment.