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David Wilcox Named Outstanding CPA in Government

LITTLE ROCK — David Wilcox, CPA, has been named the 2016 Outstanding CPA in Government by the Arkansas Society of Certified Public Accountants (ASCPA). Wilcox is senior adviser to the vice chancellor for finance and administration and chief financial officer at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS).

“Those of us privileged to work with David know firsthand that he is outstanding and well deserving of this recognition by the CPA profession,” said Ken Harrison, CPA, CGMA, assistant vice chancellor for finance and controller at UAMS. “David has had – and continues to have – a positive impact on UAMS. He is fine example of a truly professional CPA.”

The award recognizes Wilcox’s contribution to the increased efficiency and effectiveness of UAMS and to the growth and enhancement of the accounting profession.

Wilcox has worked at UAMS for 24 years. Previously, he worked in the banking industry in Little Rock for 22 years. He has a bachelor’s degree in business administration from the University of Arkansas at Monticello and a bachelor’s-equivalent degree in accounting from the University of Arkansas at Little Rock. He is a certified public accountant and chartered bank auditor.

At UAMS, he has held several leadership roles, including treasurer, investment manager and controller. In 2000 he participated in the purchase and implementation of the complex enterprise resource planning software system that UAMS employees continue to use today for administrative functions. In 2012 Wilcox was appointed by the chancellor to quickly step in and serve as interim vice chancellor for finance and CFO for six months.

Wilcox planned to retire in 2012 but was asked by the chancellor to continue serving UAMS in his special role as senior adviser. As such, he continues to assist with large

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organizational projects, drawing from his unique and deep institutional knowledge of UAMS.

Nominations for the annual award must be submitted by an ASCPA member, federal, state or local government agencies, or other professional associations.

Wilcox will be recognized at the ASCPA's annual convention on Nov. 30 at the DoubleTree Hotel in Little Rock. Wilcox is the Arkansas nominee for the nationwide Outstanding CPA in Government award from the American Institute of CPAs.

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