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**MICHAEL J. AGETSTEIN JOINS ACCOUNTING AND CONSULTING FIRM KATZ
ABSOCH AS CHAIR OF TAX DEPARTMENT**

Timonium, MD — Regional accounting and consulting firm Katz Abosch announced that Michael J. Agetstein, CPA, PFS, has joined the firm as Chair of the Tax Department.

In his new position, Agetstein will oversee the Tax Department's staff of fourteen certified public accountants and will develop new strategies to enhance efficiency and continue to improve the superior service for which Katz Abosch is known regionally.

"Katz Abosch has a strong reputation across the region. I am really looking forward to becoming a part of the team and supporting the firm's growth in my new position," said Agetstein.

"Katz Abosch is known for delivering high levels of service and being extremely responsive to client needs. Mike's tremendous amount of experience in the tax arena coupled with his focus on the specific and sometimes unique needs of clients make him a perfect fit for our corporate culture at Katz Abosch," said Alvin Katz, President and CEO of Katz Abosch.

With more than three decades of experience as a certified public accountant, Agetstein previously served as the Tax Director for Arthur F. Bell Jr. and Associates, LLC, where he managed the firm's research and compliance requirements for individual clients, closely held operating entities and private foundations. Additionally, Agetstein previously served as a Tax Partner with Smart and Associates, LLC (formerly known as Grabush, Newman & Co., P.A.) where he managed the Baltimore office tax practice.

Agetstein is a member of several organizations including the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, the Maryland Association of Certified Public Accountants and the Baltimore Estate Planning Council. He has also served on the Editorial Advisory Board of *Accountant's Tax Weekly*.

Agetstein is an active member in the civic community and has spent much of his personal and professional time working with Baltimore Reads on the Finance Committee, Friends Research Institute where he served on the Board of Directors as past-Treasurer and past-President, Easter Seals of Maryland as a VIP, Baltimore Metro Crime Stoppers where he served two-terms as the President of the Board of Directors, and THE ASSOCIATED: Jewish Community Federation where he served on a number of committees.

Agetstein has been the recipient of “The Top 50 CPAs in Baltimore” by *SmartCEO Magazine* in 2005 and graduated with a B.S. in Accounting from the University of Maryland, College Park.

About Katz Abosch, P.A.

Founded in 1969, Katz Abosch, P.A., is headquartered in Timonium, Maryland and serves the mid-Atlantic region with additional offices in Columbia and Bel Air. Katz Abosch is ranked among the top 3 locally-based regional accounting firms by the *Baltimore Business Journal*. The firm provides tax and accounting services including cost segregation studies, business valuations, litigation support, forensic accounting, technology solutions, estate planning and administration and personal financial planning. A founding member of the Leading Edge Alliance, an international organization comprised of independently owned accounting and consulting firms, Katz Abosch provides clients with extensive industry experience and proactive solutions. As one of the top ten accounting firms in Maryland and one of the 125 largest accounting firms in the United States, the firm’s staff of 110 employs leading edge technology to deliver high quality service.

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