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EDWARDS RECEIVES AICPA GOLD MEDAL AWARD FOR MERITORIOUS SERVICE

Dr. James Don Edwards received the AICPA Gold Medal for Meritorious Service at the AICPA Annual Meeting in New Orleans in September. Dr. Edwards is the J. M. Tull Professor of Accounting in the J. M. Tull School of Accounting at the University of Georgia and is one of the nation's leading academic accountants. As the Tull Professor, Dr. Edwards is involved in teaching, research, and public service.

He is a graduate of Louisiana State University and has been inducted into the Louisiana State University Alumni Federation's Hall of Distinction. He received his M.B.A. from the University of Denver and his Ph.D. from the University of Texas. Currently, he is a C.P.A. in both Texas and Georgia. Dr. Edwards was Professor and Chairman of the Department of Accounting and Financial Administrator at Michigan State University. He was also a professor and Dean of the Graduate School of Business Administration at the University of Minnesota and a Visiting Scholar at Nuffield College, Oxford University in Oxford, England. He has lectured throughout the United States and in more than 20 universities overseas.

Dr. Edwards has authored or coauthored 23 books and more than 100 articles and monographs on accounting and financial management. During his career Dr. Edwards has held many leadership positions in the major professional accounting organizations. He is a past president of the American Accounting Association, past national vice-president of the Institute of Management Accounting, and has served on the board of directors of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and as chairman of the Georgia State Accounting Foundation. He also served on the Public Review Board of Arthur Andersen for ten years. His AICPA committee involvement has included the standards of professional conduct committee and the CPA board of examiners.

Dr. Edwards has received numerous honors throughout his career. In 1974 he was selected by the National Honor Society as the recipient of its first annual "Outstanding Accountant of the Year" award. In 1975 he was selected by the American Accounting Association to receive its "Outstanding Educator" award. The Association of Students of Accounting chose him as the "Faculty Member of the Year" for 1978-79. He received the Silver Medal Award for Outstanding Contribution to Accounting Literature in 1981-82 from the Institute of Management Accountants, Outstanding Educator of the Year for 1988 from the Georgia Society of Certified Public Accountants, and the Outstanding Faculty Service Award from the Alumni Association of the University of Georgia in 1989.

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