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AMY WHITTEN TO SPEAK AT MSH EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR CEREMONY

WHITFIELD— Mississippi State Hospital is pleased to announce that Amy Whitten will be the guest speaker at the 2010 Employee of the Year program, to be held February 4 in the Dr. Albert Randel Hendrix Treatment Center on the MSH campus.

Amy Whitten is an attorney, law professor and management consultant who has extensive experience in executive management. She has spent time as an active trial attorney and as court administrator for the Mississippi Supreme Court, and is a permanent faculty member of the Mississippi Certified Public Managers Program. She is well-known in the Department of Mental Health for leading the inaugural class of the Focus program, the department's leadership development initiative.

An annual program at Mississippi State Hospital, the Employee of the Year event not only announces the selection of three employees who will receive the top honors at the hospital, but it recognizes all of the Employees of the Month who have been honored throughout the year. Each month, the Employee Recognition Committee selects three employees per month from the three hospital divisions (Licensed Clinical, Direct Care and Support Services). At the end of the year, the committee votes for one Employee of the Year in each category.

MSH, a facility of the Mississippi Department of Mental Health, was founded in 1855 and facilitates improvement in the quality of life for Mississippians who are in need of mental health, chemical dependency or nursing home services, by rehabilitating to the least restrictive environment, utilizing a range of psychiatric and medical services, which reflect the accepted standard of care and are in compliance with statutory and regulatory guidelines. The hospital is accredited by the Joint Commission.

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