H&R Block Names Brian Woram General Counsel

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KANSAS CITY, MO, Aug 31, 2009 (MARKETWIRE via COMTEX) -- H&R Block (NYSE: HRB), the world's preeminent tax service provider, today announced that Brian J. Woram will join the company as Senior Vice President and General Counsel, effective Sept. 14.

Woram joins H&R Block from Dallas-based Centex Corporation where he has served since 2005 as Senior Vice President, Chief Legal Officer and Chief Compliance Officer. At Centex, one of the nation's largest homebuilders and a publicly traded company before its merger with Pulte Homes, Inc., Woram oversaw all legal and corporate compliance functions. Prior to his 14-year career at Centex, Woram was a partner with a prominent Dallas law firm specializing in real estate transactions.

"Brian's appointment is an important step in our move to build a strong executive team as we position the company for long-term growth," said Russ Smyth, President and CEO of H&R Block. "Brian's breadth of legal experience, his business acumen and his leadership skills make him a valuable addition to H&R Block."

A native of Texas, Woram earned a B.S. in mechanical engineering from Texas A&M University and his law degree (J.D.) from the University of Texas.

About H&R Block

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