



## **Nelson Family of Companies Recruits Jonathan H. Parker as Chief Executive Officer**

### ***Well-Known Staffing Company Expands Top Management Team***

**Sonoma, Calif., May 29, 2008** – The Nelson Family of Companies—a leader in workforce management software and staffing—today announced that Jonathan “JP” Parker will join the company as Chief Executive Officer.

In his new role, reporting to Founder and Chairman Gary D. Nelson and the Nelson Board of Directors, JP will assume overall responsibility for strategic planning, business growth and profitability for all operating units of the Nelson Family of Companies. Parker is in a uniquely qualified position to lead Nelson, as he has served on the company’s Board of Directors for more than five years.

Gary Nelson, founder and chairman, will retain an active role in the Nelson Family of Companies, working with management on refining the company’s strategic vision, global initiatives and new business opportunities.

“JP’s extensive experience in strategically focused business expansion, and proven leadership with senior management teams will strengthen and enhance our growth and bring best practices to our team of business leaders,” Gary Nelson explains. “I look forward to working with JP whose experience will add management discipline and foster continued success as our family-owned business moves into the next generation of growth.”

“The Nelson Family of Companies has earned a well-deserved reputation for excellence, especially in the areas of service and impressive growth,” adds Parker. “In joining Gary and his team, my goal is to build upon the company’s many existing strengths while adding process improvements to assure operational excellence and financial success into the next generation.”

Parker spent the last five years with Boston Private Financial Holdings, most recently as Vice Chairman of this publicly traded firm. Parker had responsibility for five operating companies in the West with approximately 400 employees and profits of \$25 million. He also led the acquisition program in the West and was a member of the seven-person Senior Policy Group for the enterprise.

Prior to Boston Private, Parker was a Founding Partner of Edgar, Dunn & Company (EDC) a management consulting firm. He was engaged by many varied Boards and Executive Offices seeking guidance on strategic planning, marketing/sales strategies, M&A, and profit improvement. Clients included national and multi-national companies such as AT&T, Holiday Inn Worldwide, The International Olympic Committee, MasterCard, Monsanto, Bancamer, and NASCAR.

Prior to EDC, Parker was a manager in the consulting practice of Deloitte & Touche. A graduate of Tufts University, Parker also holds an MBA from George Washington University.

### **About the Nelson Family of Companies**

The Nelson Family of Companies was founded in 1970 by Chairman Gary D. Nelson, and is headquartered in Sonoma, CA. According to Staffing Industry Analysts, the company has grown into the 64<sup>th</sup> largest staffing company in the United States and is the largest independent human capital solutions company in Northern California. This solid growth recently culminated in record revenues of \$396 million in 2007. The Nelson Family of Companies has been ranked as one of the "Best Places to Work" in the Greater Bay Area for the third year in a row according to an employee survey done by the publishers of the *San Francisco Business Times* and *Silicon Valley/San Jose Business Journal*. For more information, visit [www.nelsonhr.com](http://www.nelsonhr.com).

### **The businesses within the Nelson Family of Companies include:**

- **Nelson and Associates:** Provides full-time and executive search placement, as well as consultant and temporary professionals in the financial area.
- **Nelson Technology:** Provides full-time and contract recruiting in all technology areas including programming, project management, product management, testing, quality assurance, and technology architecture.
- **Nelson Staffing:** Provides consultant, executive, full-time and temporary talent in a broad range of career areas including winery operations, game software testing, legal, office administration, hospitality, customer service, marketing, non-profit, human resources, business development, and sales.
- **NelsonJobs:** Northern California's premier job board.
- **WorkforceLogic:** Is an innovative workforce management company that provides software and services focused on risk mitigation, talent acquisition management, and contingent workforce planning.
- **HRhome:** Is an online resource for HR professionals created by HR professionals.

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