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Jack Hart named LOSFA Assistant Executive Director for Fiscal and Administrative Affairs

BATON ROUGE – The Louisiana Office of Student Financial Assistance (LOSFA) has named Jack W. Hart as its Assistant Executive Director for Fiscal and Administrative Affairs. Hart began work November 5, 2007.

Hart's duties at LOSFA will include overseeing the agency's annual budget, financial statements, audits and ensuring that the agency budget adheres to LOSFA's strategic plan.

He comes to LOSFA with 35 years of finance experience. After graduating LSU, Hart worked for seventeen years at Provost, Salter, Harper and Alford, LLC (formerly H.J. Lowe & Co., CPAs), where he was a partner. He left the firm to become the controller for Anco Insulations, Inc. Consolidated Group. In April 2002, Hart became the Chief Financial Officer and Vice President of Basic Industries, Inc, a large industrial specialty contractor.

Among his accomplishments, Hart counts being one of the youngest people ever named to the Society of Louisiana CPA's Governmental Practice Review Committee. While serving on that committee, Hart was charged with reviewing audited financial statements from governmental entities across the state.

Hart said he plans to bring a "fresh perspective" to his department.

Melanie Amrhein, LOSFA Executive Director, said, "I believe that Jack will be a perfect fit for our agency. His corporate background will greatly benefit us as we look ahead at our state and federal funding resources and I will look to his expertise and advice in how to best maximize our revenues to benefit the students and institutions that we serve."

A native of New Orleans, Hart has been a Baton Rouge resident since high school. He graduated from Robert E. Lee High and attended college at Louisiana State University, where he earned a B.A. in Business Administration with a major in Accounting.

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