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Leading Anti-Money Laundering Association Brings Networking and Training Opportunities to Central Florida AML Professionals

TAMPA, FL – January 11, 2012 - The Association of Certified Anti-Money Laundering Specialists (ACAMS) is launching a new Chapter to serve Central Florida. The Chapter will provide a forum for the professional development and networking of professionals from a wide range of industry areas involved in the anti-money laundering (AML) field.

"The presence of an Anti-Money Laundering Chapter in Central Florida shows this region’s commitment to fighting a crime which serves as the financial lifeline of organized criminal enterprises. A large portion of the general public is not aware that money laundering can lead to increased crime and corruption, the undermining of legitimate private sector businesses, weakening financial institutions, loss of tax revenue and economic instability. Members of the Central Florida Anti-Money Laundering Chapter will be provided an opportunity to increase their knowledge of money laundering through educational seminars and networking with experts in the field from both the public and private sectors," said Max Levine, Co-Communications Director for the Central Florida Chapter.

The inaugural reception for the Central Florida Chapter will be held from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, January 26, 2012, at NOVA University in Tampa, 3632 Queen Palm Drive, Tampa, FL 33619. John Canfield, Supervisory Special Agent, Homeland Security Investigations in Tampa will discuss Operation Cornerstone.

The Central Florida Chapter will offer members a wide range of opportunities to expand their networks and enhance their knowledge base. The Chapter’s Executive Board is comprised of industry leaders from both the public and private sectors with a broad range of professional backgrounds including regulatory, legal, law enforcement and compliance.
The Central Florida Chapter is dedicated to the mission of ACAMS, the strong growth of the Certified Anti-Money Laundering Specialist (CAMS) certification, and uniting the AML community.

**About the Association of Certified Anti-Money Laundering Specialists®**
ACAMS is an international membership organization dedicated to enhancing the knowledge and skills of AML professionals from a wide range of industries. It serves in excess of 10,000 members in more than 140 countries with extensive resources designed to develop and sharpen the skills required for superior job performance and career advancement. Its CAMS® certification has been awarded to more than 6,000 members worldwide and is the most widely recognized AML certification among compliance professionals worldwide. Visit the ACAMS website at [www.ACAMS.org](http://www.ACAMS.org).