# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

## **FORM 10-Q**

(Mark One)	
QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934	ECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE
FOR THE QUARTERLY PERIOD ENDE	D MARCH 31, 2009
OR	
TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934	ECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE
FOR THE TRANSITION PERIOD FROM	to
Commission File Number 1-	10427
ROBERT HALF INTERN (Exact name of registrant as specified in	
Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	94-1648752 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
2884 Sand Hill Road Suite 200	
Menlo Park, California (Address of principal executive offices)	94025 (zip-code)
Registrant's telephone number, including area	code: (650) 234-6000
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 1 registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subj 90 days. Yes $\boxtimes$ No $\square$	2 months (or for such shorter period that the
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted elesite, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submit Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes \( \square\$ No.	tted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of months (or for such shorter period that the
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. (Check one filer \sum Non-accelerated filer \sum Smaller reporting company	e): Large accelerated filer 🗵 Accelerated
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell comparator. Yes $\square$ No $\boxtimes$	ny (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange
Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issue 2009:	r's classes of common stock as of April 30,
152,808,954 shares of \$.001 par value 0	Common Stock

## PART I—FINANCIAL INFORMATION

## ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## ROBERT HALF INTERNATIONAL INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION (UNAUDITED) (in thousands, except share amounts)

	March 31, 2009	December 31, 2008
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 359,309	\$ 354,756
Accounts receivable, less allowances of \$30,199 and \$34,217	412,115	484,808
Deferred income taxes and other current assets	199,344	193,335
Total current assets	970,768	1,032,899
Goodwill and other intangible assets, net	188,336	189,382
Property and equipment, net	141,603	145,699
Deferred income taxes	44,410	43,870
Total assets	\$1,345,117	\$1,411,850
LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 111,295	\$ 111,645
Accrued payroll costs and retirement obligations	253,809	301,102
Current portion of notes payable and other indebtedness	107	105
Total current liabilities	365,211	412,852
Notes payable and other indebtedness, less current portion	1,865	1,892
Other liabilities	13,609	13,218
Total liabilities	380,685	427,962
Commitments and Contingencies (Note G)		
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY Preferred stock, \$.001 par value authorized 5,000,000 shares; issued and outstanding		
zero shares		_
Common stock, \$.001 par value authorized 260,000,000 shares; issued and		
outstanding 152,467,718 shares and 150,943,324 shares	152	151
Capital surplus	939,246	949,474
Accumulated other comprehensive income	25,034	34,263
Retained earnings		
Total stockholders' equity	964,432	983,888
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$1,345,117	\$1,411,850

The accompanying Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements are an integral part of these financial statements.

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (UNAUDITED) (in thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended March 31,		
	2009	2008	
Net service revenues	\$823,325	\$1,225,990	
Direct costs of services, consisting of payroll, payroll taxes, insurance costs and			
reimbursable expenses	529,597	715,002	
Gross margin	293,728	510,988	
Selling, general and administrative expenses	277,050	394,431	
Amortization of intangible assets	618	641	
Interest income, net	(620)	(2,014)	
Income before income taxes	16,680	117,930	
Provision for income taxes	7,892	47,146	
Net income	\$ 8,788	\$ 70,784	
Net income per share (Note J):			
Basic	\$ .06	\$ .45	
Diluted		\$ .44	
Shares:			
Basic	146,878	154,567	
Diluted	147,142	155,738	
Cash dividends declared per share	\$ .12	\$ .11	

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (UNAUDITED) (in thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2009	2008
COMMON STOCK—SHARES:  Balance at beginning of period  Net issuances of restricted stock  Repurchases of common stock  Exercises of stock options	150,943 2,241 (738) 22	158,058 1,701 (2,256) 1,294
Balance at end of period	152,468	158,797
COMMON STOCK—PAR VALUE:  Balance at beginning of period  Net issuances of restricted stock  Repurchases of common stock  Exercises of stock options	\$ 151 2 (1)	\$ 158 2 (2) 1
Balance at end of period	\$ 152	\$ 159
CAPITAL SURPLUS:  Balance at beginning of period  Net issuances, and other changes to, restricted stock—excess over par value  Repurchases of common stock—excess over par value  Cash dividends (\$.12 per share)  Stock-based compensation expense—restricted stock and stock units  Stock-based compensation expense—stock options  Exercises of stock options—excess over par value  Tax impact of equity incentive plans	\$949,474 (2) (4,561) (18,175) 14,393 343 286 (2,512)	\$915,038 (2) (5,109) — 15,647 1,254 20,905 4,418
Balance at end of period	\$939,246	\$952,151
ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME: Balance at beginning of period	\$ 34,263 (9,229) \$ 25,034	\$ 68,853 6,134 \$ 74,987
RETAINED EARNINGS:  Balance at beginning of period  Repurchases of common stock—excess over par value  Cash dividends (\$.11 per share)  Net income  Balance at end of period	\$ — (8,788) — 8,788 \$ —	\$ — (53,242) (17,542) 70,784 \$ —

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# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (UNAUDITED) (in thousands)

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2009	2008
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Net income	\$ 8,788	\$ 70,784
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Amortization of intangible assets	618	641
Depreciation expense	16,263	17,610
Stock-based compensation expense—restricted stock and stock units	14,393	15,647
Stock-based compensation expense—stock options	343	1,254
Excess tax benefits from stock-based compensation	(176)	(930)
Provision for deferred income taxes	2,161	4,433
Provision for doubtful accounts	199	3,693
Changes in assets and liabilities, net of effects of acquisitions:		
Decrease (increase) in accounts receivable	66,364	(27,282)
(Decrease) increase in accounts payable, accrued expenses, accrued payroll costs and		
retirement obligations	(48,816)	20,709
(Decrease) increase in income taxes payable	(2,319)	12,761
Change in other assets, net of change in other liabilities	(9,750)	(820)
Net cash flows provided by operating activities	48,068	118,500
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Purchase of goodwill and other intangible assets and other assets	_	(272)
Capital expenditures	(13,903)	(16,427)
Decrease (increase) in trusts for employee benefits and retirement plans	648	(1,977)
Net cash flows used in investing activities	(13,255)	(18,676)
	(13,233)	(10,070)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:	(0.044)	(50.050)
Repurchases of common stock	(8,041)	(58,353)
Cash dividends paid	(18,099)	(17,542)
Decrease in notes payable and other indebtedness	(25)	(21)
Excess tax benefits from stock-based compensation	176	930
Proceeds from exercises of stock options	286	20,906
Net cash flows used in financing activities	(25,703)	(54,080)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(4,557)	320
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	4,553	46,064
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	354,756	310,000
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$359,309	\$356,064
•	\$339,309	\$330,004
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION:		
Cash paid during the period for:		
Interest	\$ 107	\$ 122
Income taxes, net of refunds	\$ 8,586	\$ 29,321
Non-cash items:		
Stock repurchases awaiting settlement	\$ 5,309	\$ —

The accompanying Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements are an integral part of these financial statements.

#### NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)

March 31, 2009

#### Note A—Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Nature of Operations. Robert Half International Inc. (the "Company") provides specialized staffing and risk consulting services through such divisions as Accountemps®, Robert Half® Finance & Accounting, OfficeTeam®, Robert Half® Technology, Robert Half® Management Resources, Robert Half® Legal, The Creative Group®, and Protiviti®. The Company, through its Accountemps, Robert Half Finance & Accounting, and Robert Half Management Resources divisions, is a specialized provider of temporary, full-time, and project professionals in the fields of accounting and finance. OfficeTeam specializes in highly skilled temporary administrative support personnel. Robert Half Technology provides information technology professionals. Robert Half Legal provides temporary, project, and full-time staffing of attorneys and specialized support personnel within law firms and corporate legal departments. The Creative Group provides project staffing in the advertising, marketing, and web design fields. Protiviti provides business consulting and internal audit services, and is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company. Revenues are predominantly derived from specialized staffing services. The Company operates in North America, South America, Europe, Asia and Australia. The Company is a Delaware corporation.

Basis of Presentation. The unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements ("Financial Statements") of the Company are prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") and the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). The comparative year-end condensed consolidated statement of financial position data presented was derived from audited financial statements. In the opinion of management, all adjustments (consisting of only normal recurring adjustments) necessary for a fair statement of the financial position and results of operations for the periods presented have been included. These Financial Statements should be read in conjunction with the audited Consolidated Financial Statements of the Company for the year ended December 31, 2008, included in its annual report on Form 10-K. The results of operations for any interim period are not necessarily indicative of, nor comparable to, the results of operations for a full year.

*Principles of Consolidation*. The Financial Statements include the accounts of the Company and its subsidiaries, all of which are wholly owned. All intercompany balances have been eliminated.

Use of Estimates. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. As of March 31, 2009, such estimates included allowances for uncollectible accounts receivable, workers' compensation losses and income and other taxes.

Revenue Recognition. The Company derives its revenues from three segments: temporary and consultant staffing, permanent placement staffing, and risk consulting and internal audit services. Net service revenues as presented on the unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations represent services rendered to customers less sales adjustments and allowances. Reimbursements, including those related to travel and out-of-pocket expenses, are also included in net service revenues, and equivalent amounts of reimbursable expenses are included in direct costs of services. The Company records revenue on a gross basis as a principal versus on a net basis as an agent in the presentation of revenues and expenses. The Company has concluded that gross reporting is appropriate because the Company (i) has the risk of identifying and hiring qualified employees, (ii) has the discretion to select the employees and establish their price and duties and (iii) bears the risk for services that are not fully paid for by customers.

Temporary and consultant staffing revenues—Temporary and consultant staffing revenues are recognized when the services are rendered by the Company's temporary employees. Employees placed on temporary

# NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)—(Continued) March 31, 2009

#### **Note A—Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

assignment by the Company are the Company's legal employees while they are working on assignments. The Company pays all related costs of employment, including workers' compensation insurance, state and federal unemployment taxes, social security and certain fringe benefits. The Company assumes the risk of acceptability of its employees to its customers.

Permanent placement staffing revenues—Permanent placement staffing revenues are recognized when employment candidates accept offers of permanent employment. The Company has a substantial history of estimating the effect of permanent placement candidates who do not remain with its clients through the 90-day guarantee period. Allowances are established to estimate these losses. Fees to clients are generally calculated as a percentage of the new employee's annual compensation. No fees for permanent placement services are charged to employment candidates.

Risk consulting and internal audit revenues—Risk consulting and internal audit services are generally provided on a time-and-material basis or fixed-fee basis. Revenues earned under time-and-material arrangements are recognized as services are provided. Revenues on fixed-fee arrangements are recognized using a proportional performance method as hours are incurred relative to total estimated hours for the engagement. The Company periodically evaluates the need to provide for any losses on these projects, and losses are recognized when it is probable that a loss will be incurred.

Costs of Services. Direct costs of temporary and consultant staffing services consist of payroll, payroll taxes and insurance costs for the Company's temporary employees, as well as reimbursable expenses. Direct costs of permanent placement staffing services consist of reimbursable expenses. Risk consulting and internal audit costs of services include professional staff payroll, payroll taxes and insurance costs, as well as reimbursable expenses.

*Advertising Costs.* The Company expenses all advertising costs as incurred. Advertising expense totaled \$8.0 million and \$14.1 million for the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

Comprehensive Income (Loss). Comprehensive income (loss) includes net income and certain other items that are recorded directly to Stockholders' Equity. The Company's only source of other comprehensive income (loss) is foreign currency translation adjustments. The components of comprehensive income (loss), net of tax, are as follows (in thousands):

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	March 31,	
	2009	2008
Net income	\$ 8,788	\$70,784
Translation adjustments, net of tax	(9,229)	6,134
Total comprehensive income (loss)	\$ (441)	\$76,918

Cash and Cash Equivalents. The Company considers all highly liquid investments with a maturity at the date of purchase of three months or less as cash equivalents.

Accounts Receivable Allowances. The Company maintains allowances for estimated losses resulting from (i) the inability of its customers to make required payments, (ii) temporary placement sales adjustments, and (iii) permanent placement candidates not remaining with the client through the 90-day guarantee period, commonly referred to as "fall offs". The Company establishes these allowances based on its review of customers' credit profiles, historical loss statistics and current trends.

# NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)—(Continued) March 31, 2009

#### **Note A—Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

Goodwill and Intangible Assets. Goodwill and intangible assets primarily consist of the cost of acquired companies in excess of the fair market value of their net tangible assets at the date of acquisition. Identifiable intangible assets are amortized over their lives, typically ranging from two to five years. Goodwill is not amortized, but is tested at least annually for impairment. The Company's annual goodwill impairment analysis will be performed during the second quarter. Due to the recent significant decline in global economic and labor market conditions the Company updated its impairment assessment during the three months ended March 31, 2009, and determined that no adjustment to the carrying value of goodwill was required.

Income Tax Assets and Liabilities. In establishing its deferred income tax assets and liabilities, the Company makes judgments and interpretations based on the enacted tax laws and published tax guidance that are applicable to its operations. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured and recorded using current enacted tax rates, which the Company expects will apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are recovered or settled. The likelihood of a material change in the Company's expected realization of these assets is dependent on future taxable income, its ability to use foreign tax credit carryforwards and carrybacks, final U.S. and foreign tax settlements, and the effectiveness of its tax planning in the various relevant jurisdictions.

Workers' Compensation. Except for states which require participation in state-operated insurance funds, the Company retains the economic burden for the first \$0.5 million per occurrence in workers' compensation claims. Workers' compensation includes ongoing healthcare and indemnity coverage for claims and may be paid over numerous years following the date of injury. Claims in excess of \$0.5 million are insured. Workers' compensation expense includes the insurance premiums for claims in excess of \$0.5 million, claims administration fees charged by the Company's workers' compensation administrator, premiums paid to state-operated insurance funds, and an estimate for the Company's liability for Incurred But Not Reported ("IBNR") claims and for the ongoing development of existing claims.

The accrual for IBNR claims and for the ongoing development of existing claims in each reporting period includes estimates. The Company has established reserves for workers' compensation claims using loss development rates which are estimated using periodic third-party actuarial valuations based upon historical loss statistics which include the Company's historical frequency and severity of workers' compensation claims, and an estimate of future cost trends. While management believes that its assumptions and estimates are appropriate, significant differences in actual experience or significant changes in assumptions may materially affect the Company's future results.

Foreign Currency Translation. The results of operations of the Company's foreign subsidiaries are translated at the monthly average exchange rates prevailing during the period. The financial position of the Company's foreign subsidiaries is translated at the current exchange rates at the end of the period, and the related translation adjustments are recorded as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income within Stockholders' Equity. Gains and losses resulting from foreign currency transactions are included as a component of selling, general and administrative expenses in the unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations, and have not been material for all periods presented.

Stock-based Compensation. Under various stock plans, officers, employees and outside directors have received or may receive grants of restricted stock, stock units, stock appreciation rights or options to purchase common stock.

# NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)—(Continued) March 31, 2009

#### **Note A—Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

Compensation expense for restricted stock and stock units is generally recognized on a straight-line basis over the vesting period, based on the stock's fair market value on the grant date. For restricted stock grants issued with performance conditions, compensation expense is recognized over each vesting tranche. The Company recognizes compensation expense for only the portion of restricted stock and stock units that is expected to vest, rather than record forfeitures when they occur. If the actual number of forfeitures differs from those estimated by management, additional adjustments to compensation expense may be required in future periods. For purposes of calculating stock-based compensation expense for retirement-eligible employees, the service period is assumed to be met on the grant date or retirement-eligible date, whichever is later.

No stock appreciation rights have been granted under the Company's existing stock plans.

The Company determines the fair value of options to purchase common stock using the Black-Scholes valuation model. The Company recognizes expense over the service period for options that are expected to vest and records adjustments to compensation expense at the end of the service period if actual forfeitures differ from original estimates. The Company has not granted any options to purchase common stock since 2006.

*Property and Equipment.* Property and equipment are recorded at cost. Depreciation expense is computed using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

Computer hardware	2 to 3 years
Computer software	2 to 5 years
Furniture and equipment	5 years
Leasehold improvements	Term of lease, 5 years maximum

*Internal-use Software*. The Company capitalizes direct costs incurred in the development of internal-use software. Amounts capitalized are reported as a component of computer software within property and equipment. The Company capitalized \$5.7 million and \$1.4 million of internal-use software development costs for the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

#### **Note B—New Accounting Pronouncements**

In April 2009, the FASB issued Staff Position FAS 107-1 and APB 28-1, *Interim Disclosures about Fair Value of Financial Instruments* ("FSP FAS 107-1 and APB 28-1"). FSP FAS 107-1 and APB 28-1 requires an entity to provide disclosures about fair value of financial instruments in interim financial reporting. FSP FAS 107-1 and APB 28-1 is effective for interim periods ending after June 15, 2009. The Company is in the process of analyzing the impact of FSP FAS 107-1 and APB 28-1 on its Financial Statements.

In April 2009, The FASB issued Staff Position No. FAS 157-4, *Determining Fair Value When The Volume and Level of Activity for the Asset or Liability Have Significantly Decreased and Identifying Transactions That Are Not Orderly* ("FSP FAS 157-4"). FSP FAS 157-4 provides additional guidance to highlight and expand on the factors that should be considered in estimating fair value when there has been a significant decrease in market activity for a financial asset. FSP FAS 157-4 is effective for interim and annual periods ending after June 15, 2009. The Company is in the process of analyzing the impact of FSP FAS 157-4 on its Financial Statements.

# NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)—(Continued) March 31, 2009

#### Note C—Deferred Income Taxes and Other Current Assets

Deferred income taxes and other current assets consisted of the following (in thousands):

	March 31, 2009	December 31, 2008
Deferred income taxes	\$ 59,117	\$ 61,955
Deposits in trusts for employee benefits and retirement plans	71,646	72,295
Other	68,581	59,085
	\$199,344	\$193,335

## Note D-Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets, Net

The following table sets forth the activity in goodwill and other intangible assets from December 31, 2008 through March 31, 2009 (in thousands):

	Goodwill	Other Intangible Assets	Total
Balance as of December 31, 2008	\$187,530	\$1,852	\$189,382
Translation adjustments	(428)	_	(428)
Amortization of intangible assets		(618)	(618)
Balance as of March 31, 2009	\$187,102	\$1,234	\$188,336

The estimated remaining amortization expense is \$0.8 million for 2009 and \$0.4 million for 2010.

## Note E—Property and Equipment, Net

Property and equipment consisted of the following (in thousands):

	March 31, 2009	December 31, 2008
Computer hardware	\$ 126,900	\$ 161,696
Computer software	264,557	259,790
Furniture and equipment	128,625	129,628
Leasehold improvements	122,227	121,861
Other	16,141	16,112
Property and equipment, cost	658,450	689,087
Accumulated depreciation	(516,847)	(543,388)
Property and equipment, net	\$ 141,603	\$ 145,699

# NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)—(Continued) March 31, 2009

#### Note F-Accrued Payroll Costs and Retirement Obligations

Accrued payroll costs and retirement obligations consisted of the following (in thousands):

	March 31, 2009	December 31, 2008
Payroll and benefits	\$126,486	\$170,123
Employee retirement obligations	70,761	69,868
Workers' compensation	30,076	29,630
Payroll taxes	26,486	31,481
	\$253,809	\$301,102

Included in employee retirement obligations is \$61 million at both March 31, 2009, and December 31, 2008, related to the Company's Chief Executive Officer for a deferred compensation plan and other benefits.

#### **Note G—Commitments and Contingencies**

On September 10, 2004, Plaintiff Mark Laffitte, on behalf of himself and a putative class of salaried Account Executives and Staffing Managers, filed a complaint in California Superior Court naming the Company and three of its wholly owned subsidiaries as Defendants. The complaint alleges that salaried Account Executives and Staffing Managers based in California have been misclassified under California law as exempt employees and seeks an unspecified amount for unpaid overtime pay alleged to be due to them had they been paid as nonexempt hourly employees. In addition, the Plaintiff seeks an unspecified amount for statutory penalties for alleged violations of the California Labor Code arising from the alleged misclassification of these employees as exempt employees. On September 18, 2006, the Court issued an order certifying a class with respect to claims for alleged unpaid overtime pay but denied certification with respect to claims relating to meal periods and rest time breaks. On August 15, 2008, the Court stayed the litigation pending the California Supreme Court's ruling in another case unrelated to the Company titled Harris v. Superior Court. The ruling in such case may have a material adverse bearing on the Company's position in this litigation. At this stage of the litigation, it is not feasible to predict the outcome of or a range of loss, should a loss occur, from this proceeding, and accordingly, no amounts have been provided in the accompanying financial statements. The Company believes it has meritorious defenses to the allegations, and the Company intends to continue to vigorously defend against the litigation.

On May 4, 2006, Plaintiff Don Tran, on behalf of himself and a putative class of salaried Consultants and Senior Consultants, and a sub-class of terminated salaried Consultants and Senior Consultants, filed a complaint in California Superior Court naming Protiviti Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company ("Protiviti"), as Defendant. The complaint alleges that salaried consultants based in California have been misclassified under California law as exempt employees and seeks an unspecified amount for unpaid overtime pay alleged to be due to them had they been paid as non-exempt, hourly employees. Plaintiff also seeks an unspecified amount for statutory penalties for alleged violations of the California Labor Code arising from the alleged misclassification of these employees as exempt employees. The complaint further seeks damages and penalties for the failure to provide meal and rest periods, and for the failure to reimburse business expenses, including, without limitation, parking and cellular telephone expenses. On February 28, 2008, the Court allowed Plaintiff to amend the complaint to name as class representatives two additional former Protiviti Consultants, who had worked for Protiviti's "Internal Audit" business line. Plaintiff Tran had worked for Protiviti's "Technology Risk" business line. On April 3, 2008, Plaintiffs agreed in open court to dismiss their claim for failure to reimburse business

# NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)—(Continued) March 31, 2009

#### **Note G—Commitments and Contingencies (Continued)**

expenses. Plaintiffs filed a motion to certify the class on May 12, 2008 and Protiviti filed a motion to strike the class allegations on the same date. On December 18, 2008, the Court ruled that it would certify two classes, one of California Consultants and another of California Senior Consultants, on the overtime pay claims. The Court also ruled that it would deny certification, without prejudice, on the claims for alleged unpaid meal and rest breaks. Further, it ruled that the Plaintiffs must submit a detailed trial plan, which the Court may use to revisit the class certification issue. The class has not yet been given notice of the action or the ruling. On February 6, 2009, the Court issued its order certifying the two classes described above on the overtime pay claims. A ruling in the unrelated *Harris* case referenced in the first paragraph of this Note G may have a material adverse bearing on Protiviti's position in this litigation. At this stage of the litigation, it is not feasible to predict the outcome of or a range of loss, should a loss occur, from this proceeding, and accordingly, no amounts have been provided in the accompanying financial statements. Protiviti believes it has meritorious defenses to the allegations, and Protiviti intends to continue to vigorously defend against the litigation.

On September 24, 2007, Plaintiff Van Williamson, on behalf of himself and a putative class of salaried Account Executives and Staffing Managers, filed a complaint in California Superior Court naming the Company and three of its wholly owned subsidiaries as Defendants. The complaint alleges that salaried Account Executives and Staffing Managers based in California were not provided meal periods, paid rest periods, and accurate itemized wage statements. It seeks one hour of wages for each employee for each meal and rest period missed during the statutory liability period. It also seeks an unspecified amount for statutory penalties for alleged violations of the California Labor Code arising from the alleged failure to provide the meal and rest periods and accurate itemized wage statements. The allegations in the complaint are substantially similar to the allegations included in the complaint filed by Mark Laffitte described above. On August 28, 2008, the Court stayed the litigation pending the California Supreme Court's decision on whether to review a case unrelated to the Company titled Brinker Restaurant Corp. v. Superior Court. On October 22, 2008, the California Supreme Court granted such review. On February 19, 2009, on stipulation of the parties, a case management conference was scheduled for June 30, 2009. A ruling in the unrelated Harris case referenced in the first paragraph of this Note G and/or the Brinker case referenced above may have a material adverse bearing on the Company's position in this litigation. At this stage of the litigation, it is not feasible to predict the outcome of or a range of loss, should a loss occur, from this proceeding, and accordingly, no amounts have been provided in the accompanying financial statements. The Company believes it has meritorious defenses to the allegations, and the Company intends to continue to vigorously defend against the litigation.

On September 16, 2008, Plaintiff Donald R. Green, on behalf of himself and a putative class of all temporary staffing employees in California, filed a complaint in California Superior Court naming the Company and one of its wholly owned subsidiaries as Defendants. The complaint alleges that temporary employees in California were improperly denied expense reimbursement and wages for time purportedly spent preparing for interviews, and traveling to and attending interviews with, alleged clients of Defendants. Plaintiff seeks penalties and equitable and legal remedies under Section 17200 of the California Business and Professions Code and Sections 1194 and 2802 of the California Labor Code. At this stage of the litigation, it is not feasible to predict the outcome of or a range of loss, should a loss occur, from this proceeding, and accordingly, no amounts have been provided in the accompanying financial statements. The Company believes it has meritorious defenses to the allegations, and the Company intends to vigorously defend against the litigation.

On February 26, 2009, Plaintiff Annette Johnson, on behalf of herself and a putative class of all current and former non-exempt employees of the Company, filed a Complaint in California Superior Court naming the

# NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)—(Continued) March 31, 2009

#### **Note G—Commitments and Contingencies (Continued)**

Company as Defendant. The Complaint alleges that the Company failed to calculate properly the overtime owed to non-exempt employees in California when it allegedly failed to include certain bonus payments in overtime calculations. Plaintiff seeks the alleged additional overtime amounts, interest, attorneys' fees, and costs. In addition, Plaintiff seeks an unspecified amount for statutory penalties for alleged violations of the California Labor Code arising from the purported violations. The Company is engaged in a preliminary review of the allegations included in the Complaint, which was served on the Company on April 30, 2009. At this stage of the litigation, it is not feasible to predict the outcome of or a range of loss, should a loss occur, from this proceeding, and accordingly, no amounts have been provided in the accompanying financial statements.

The Company is involved in a number of other lawsuits arising in the ordinary course of business. While management does not expect any of these other matters to have a material adverse effect on the Company's results of operations, financial position or cash flows, litigation is subject to certain inherent uncertainties.

Legal costs associated with the resolution of claims, lawsuits and other contingencies are expensed as incurred.

#### Note H—Stockholders' Equity

Stock Repurchase Program. As of March 31, 2009, the Company is authorized to repurchase, from time to time, up to 9.3 million additional shares of the Company's common stock on the open market or in privately negotiated transactions, depending on market conditions. During the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008, the Company repurchased 0.5 million shares and 1.0 million shares of common stock on the open market for a total cost of \$9 million and \$25 million, respectively. Additional stock repurchases were made in connection with employee stock plans, whereby Company shares were tendered by employees for the payment of exercise price and applicable statutory withholding taxes. During the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008, such repurchases totaled 0.2 million shares and 1.2 million shares, at a cost of \$4 million and \$33 million, respectively. Repurchases of shares have been funded with cash generated from operations.

The repurchased shares are held in treasury and are presented as if constructively retired. Treasury stock is accounted for using the cost method. Treasury stock activity for the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008 (consisting of stock option exercises and the purchase of shares for the treasury) is presented in the unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity.

Cash Dividends. The Company's Board of Directors may at their discretion declare and pay dividends upon the shares of the Company's stock either out of the Company's retained earnings or capital surplus. During the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008, the Company declared cash dividends of \$.12 and \$.11 per share, respectively.

Repurchases of shares and issuances of cash dividends are applied first to the extent of retained earnings and any remaining amounts are applied to capital surplus. As a result, the Company had no retained earnings as of March 31, 2009, and December 31, 2008.

#### **Note I—Stock Plans**

Under various stock plans, officers, employees and outside directors have received or may receive grants of restricted stock, stock units, stock appreciation rights or options to purchase common stock. Grants have been made at the discretion of the Committees of the Board of Directors. Grants generally vest over four years. Shares offered under the plan are authorized but unissued shares or treasury shares.

# NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)—(Continued) March 31, 2009

#### **Note I—Stock Plans (Continued)**

Options currently outstanding under the plans have an exercise price equal to the fair market value of the Company's common stock at the date of grant and consist of non-statutory stock options under the Internal Revenue Code, and generally have a term of 10 years.

Recipients of restricted stock do not pay any cash consideration to the Company for the shares, have the right to vote all shares subject to such grant, and receive all dividends with respect to such shares, whether or not the shares have vested as long as any performance condition has been met. Recipients of stock units do not pay any cash consideration for the units, do not have the right to vote, and do not receive dividends with respect to such units. Compensation expense for restricted stock and stock units is generally recognized on a straight-line basis over the vesting period, based on the stock's fair market value on the grant date. For restricted stock grants issued with performance conditions, compensation expense is recognized over each vesting tranche.

#### Note J-Net Income Per Share

The calculation of net income per share for the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008, is reflected in the following table (in thousands, except per share amounts):

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2009	2008
Basic net income per share:		
Net income	\$ 8,788 480	\$ 70,784 1,962
Net income available to common stockholders	\$ 8,308	\$ 68,822
Basic weighted average shares	146,878	154,567
Basic net income per share	\$ .06	\$ .45
Diluted net income per share:		
Net income	\$ 8,788	\$ 70,784
Income allocated to participating securities	480	1,951
Net income available to common stockholders	\$ 8,308	\$ 68,833
Basic weighted average shares	146,878	154,567
stock units	264	1,171
Diluted weighted average shares	147,142	155,738
Diluted net income per share	\$ .06	\$ .44

Effective January 1, 2009, the Company implemented FASB Staff Position No. EITF 03-6-1, *Determining Whether Instruments Granted in Share-Based Payment Transactions Are Participating Securities* ("FSP EITF 03-6-1"). Based on the provisions of FSP EITF 03-6-1 the Company's unvested restricted stock awards which, other than for executive officer grants that contain a performance condition, contain nonforfeitable rights to dividends and are therefore participating securities that are included in the earnings allocation in computing net income per share pursuant to the two-class method described in SFAS 128, *Earnings per Share*.

# NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)—(Continued) March 31, 2009

#### **Note J—Net Income Per Share (Continued)**

Upon implementation, the Company retroactively adjusted its net income per share data to conform to the provisions of FSP EITF 03-6-1. The retroactive application resulted in a \$.01 per share reduction in basic and diluted net income per share for the three months ended March 31, 2008.

The weighted average diluted common shares outstanding for the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively, excludes the effect of 5.6 million and 2.5 million anti-dilutive options and stock units. Employee stock options will have a dilutive effect under the treasury method only when the respective period's average market value of the Company's common stock exceeds the exercise proceeds. Under the treasury method, exercise proceeds include the amount the employee must pay for exercising stock options, the amount of compensation cost for future service that the Company has not yet recognized, and the amount of tax benefits that would be recorded in capital surplus, if the options were exercised and the stock units and performance-based restricted stock had vested.

#### **Note K—Business Segments**

The Company, which aggregates its operating segments based on the nature of services, has three reportable segments: temporary and consultant staffing, permanent placement staffing, and risk consulting and internal audit services. The temporary and consultant segment provides specialized staffing in the accounting and finance, administrative and office, information technology, legal, advertising, marketing and web design fields. The permanent placement segment provides full-time personnel in the accounting, finance, administrative and office, and information technology fields. The risk consulting segment provides business and technology risk consulting and internal audit services.

The accounting policies of the segments are set forth in Note A—Summary of Significant Accounting Policies. The Company evaluates performance based on income or loss from operations before interest income, intangible amortization expense, and income taxes.

The following table provides a reconciliation of revenue and operating income by reportable segment to consolidated results (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended March 31,		
	2009	2008	
Net service revenues			
Temporary and consultant staffing	\$672,585	\$ 968,245	
Permanent placement staffing	49,941	115,614	
Risk consulting and internal audit services	100,799	142,131	
	\$823,325	\$1,225,990	
Operating income			
Temporary and consultant staffing	\$ 39,837	\$ 98,895	
Permanent placement staffing	(4,233)	17,137	
Risk consulting and internal audit services	(18,926)	525	
	16,678	116,557	
Amortization of intangible assets	618	641	
Interest income, net	(620)	(2,014)	
Income before income taxes	\$ 16,680	\$ 117,930	

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## **Note L—Subsequent Events**

On May 5, 2009, the Company announced a quarterly dividend of \$.12 per share to be paid to all shareholders of record on May 26, 2009. The dividend will be paid on June 15, 2009.

#### ITEM 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

Certain information contained in Management's Discussion and Analysis and in other parts of this report may be deemed forward-looking statements regarding events and financial trends that may affect the Company's future operating results or financial positions. These statements may be identified by words such as "estimate", "forecast", "project", "plan", "intend", "believe", "expect", "anticipate", or variations or negatives thereof or by similar or comparable words or phrases. Forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed in the statements. These risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, the following: the global financial and economic situation; changes in levels of unemployment and other economic conditions in the United States or foreign countries where the Company does business, or in particular regions or industries; reduction in the supply of candidates for temporary employment or the Company's ability to attract candidates; the entry of new competitors into the marketplace or expansion by existing competitors; the ability of the Company to maintain existing client relationships and attract new clients in the context of changing economic or competitive conditions; the impact of competitive pressures, including any change in the demand for the Company's services, on the Company's ability to maintain its margins; the possibility of the Company incurring liability for its activities, including the activities of its temporary employees, or for events impacting its temporary employees on clients' premises; the possibility that adverse publicity could impact the Company's ability to attract and retain clients and candidates; the success of the Company in attracting, training, and retaining qualified management personnel and other staff employees; the Company's ability to comply with governmental regulations affecting personnel services businesses in particular or employer/employee relationships in general; whether there will be ongoing demand for Sarbanes-Oxley or other regulatory compliance services; the Company's reliance on short-term contracts for a significant percentage of its business; litigation relating to prior or current transactions or activities, including litigation that may be disclosed from time to time in the Company's SEC filings; the ability of the Company to manage its international operations and comply with foreign laws and regulations; the impact of fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates; the possibility that the Company's computer and communications hardware and software systems could be damaged or their service interrupted; and the possibility that the Company may fail to maintain adequate financial and management controls and as a result suffer errors in its financial reporting. Additionally, with respect to Protiviti, other risks and uncertainties include the fact that future success will depend on its ability to retain employees and attract clients; there can be no assurance that there will be ongoing demand for Sarbanes-Oxley or other regulatory compliance services; failure to produce projected revenues could adversely affect financial results; and there is the possibility of involvement in litigation relating to prior or current transactions or activities. Because long-term contracts are not a significant part of the Company's business, future results cannot be reliably predicted by considering past trends or extrapolating past results.

#### Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

As described below, the Company's most critical accounting policies and estimates are those that involve subjective decisions or assessments.

Accounts Receivable Allowances. The Company maintains allowances for estimated losses resulting from (i) the inability of its customers to make required payments, (ii) temporary placement sales adjustments, and (iii) permanent placement candidates not remaining with the client through the 90-day guarantee period, commonly referred to as "fall offs". The Company establishes these allowances based on its review of customers' credit profiles, historical loss statistics and current trends. The adequacy of these allowances is reviewed each reporting period. Historically, the Company's actual losses and credits have been consistent with these allowances. As a percentage of gross accounts receivable, the Company's accounts receivable allowances totaled 6.8% and 6.6% as of March 31, 2009, and December 31, 2008, respectively. As of March 31, 2009, a five-percentage point deviation in the Company's accounts receivable allowances balance would have resulted in an increase or decrease in the allowance of \$1.5 million. Although future results cannot always be predicted by extrapolating past results, management believes that it is reasonably likely that future results will be consistent with historical trends and experience. However, if the financial condition of the Company's customers were to

deteriorate, resulting in an impairment of their ability to make payments, or if unexpected events or significant future changes in trends were to occur, additional allowances may be required.

Income Tax Assets and Liabilities. In establishing its deferred income tax assets and liabilities, the Company makes judgments and interpretations based on the enacted tax laws and published tax guidance that are applicable to its operations. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured and recorded using current enacted tax rates, which the Company expects will apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are recovered or settled. The likelihood of a material change in the Company's expected realization of these assets is dependent on future taxable income, its ability to use foreign tax credit carryforwards and carrybacks, final U.S. and foreign tax settlements, and the effectiveness of its tax planning in the various relevant jurisdictions.

The Company also evaluates the need for valuation allowances to reduce the deferred tax assets to realizable amounts. Management evaluates all positive and negative evidence and uses judgment regarding past and future events, including operating results, to help determine when it is more likely than not that all or some portion of our deferred tax assets may not be realized. When appropriate, a valuation allowance is recorded against deferred tax assets to offset future tax benefits that may not be realized. In relation to actual net operating losses in certain foreign operations, valuation allowances of \$17.5 million were recorded as of March 31, 2009. If such losses are ultimately utilized to offset future operating income, the Company will benefit its deferred tax assets up to the full amount of the valuation reserve.

While management believes that its judgments and interpretations regarding income taxes are appropriate, significant differences in actual experience may materially affect the future financial results of the Company.

Goodwill Impairment. The Company assesses the impairment of goodwill annually in the second quarter, or more often if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may not be recoverable in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 142, Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets ("SFAS 142"). Due to the recent significant decline in global economic and labor market conditions the Company updated its impairment assessment during the three months ended March 31, 2009.

SFAS 142 requires a two-step approach for determining goodwill impairment. In the first step the Company determines the fair value of each reporting unit utilizing a present value technique derived from a discounted cash flow methodology. For purposes of this assessment the Company's reporting units are its lines of business. The fair value of the reporting unit is then compared to its carrying value. If the fair value of the reporting unit exceeds the carrying value of the net assets assigned to that unit, goodwill is not impaired and no further testing is performed. The second step under the provisions of SFAS 142 is contingent upon the results of the first step. To the extent a reporting unit's carrying value exceeds its fair value, an indication exists that the reporting unit's goodwill may be impaired and the Company must perform a second more detailed impairment assessment. The second impairment assessment involves allocating the reporting unit's fair value to its net assets in order to determine the implied fair value of the reporting unit's goodwill as of the assessment date. The implied fair value of the reporting unit's goodwill to quantify an impairment charge as of the assessment date.

The Company's reporting units are *Accountemps*, *Robert Half Finance & Accounting*, *OfficeTeam*, *Robert Half Technology*, *Robert Half Management Resources* and *Protiviti*, which had goodwill balances at March 31, 2009, of \$126.8 million, \$26.4 million, \$0.0 million, \$6.9 million, \$0.0 million and \$27.0 million, respectively, totaling \$187.1 million. There were no changes to the Company's reporting units or to the allocations of goodwill by reporting unit in the first quarter of 2009.

The goodwill impairment assessment is based upon a discounted cash flow analysis. The estimate of future cash flows is based upon, among other things, a discount rate and certain assumptions about expected future

operating performance. The discount rate for all reporting units was determined by management based on estimates of risk free interest rates, beta and market risk premiums. The discount rate used was compared to the rate published in various third party research reports, which indicated that the rate was within a range of reasonableness. The primary assumptions related to future operating performance include revenue growth rates and profitability levels. In addition, the impairment assessment requires that management make certain judgments in allocating shared assets and liabilities to the balance sheets of the reporting units. Solely for purposes of establishing inputs for the fair value calculations described above related to goodwill impairment testing, the Company made the following assumptions. The Company assumed that the current economic downturn would continue for all reporting units through 2010, followed by a recovery period in 2011 and 2012, using unique assumptions for each reporting unit. In addition, the Company applied profitability assumptions consistent with the each reporting unit's historical trends at various revenue levels and, for years beyond 2012, used a 5% growth factor to calculate the terminal value at the end of ten years for each unit. This rate is 1% lower than the rate used in the prior year, and is significantly lower than the Company's historical ten-year annual compound revenue growth rate. In its most recent calculation, the Company used a 10.9% discount rate, which is slightly higher than the 10.4% discount rate used in the prior year, primarily due to an increase in market risk premiums partially offset by a reduction in risk free market rates.

In order to evaluate the sensitivity of the fair value calculations on the goodwill impairment test, the Company applied hypothetical decreases to the fair values of each reporting unit. The Company determined that hypothetical decreases in fair value of at least 41% would be required before any reporting unit would have a carrying value in excess of its fair value.

Given the current economic environment and the uncertainties regarding the impact on the Company's business, there can be no assurance that the Company's estimates and assumptions regarding the duration of the ongoing economic downturn, or the period or strength of recovery, made for purposes of the Company's goodwill impairment testing will prove to be accurate predictions of the future. If the Company's assumptions regarding forecasted revenue or profitability growth rates of certain reporting units are not achieved, the Company may be required to recognize goodwill impairment charges in future periods. It is not possible at this time to determine if any such future impairment charge would result or, if it does, whether such charge would be material.

Workers' Compensation. Except for states which require participation in state-operated insurance funds, the Company retains the economic burden for the first \$0.5 million per occurrence in workers' compensation claims. Workers' compensation includes ongoing healthcare and indemnity coverage for claims and may be paid over numerous years following the date of injury. Claims in excess of \$0.5 million are insured. Workers' compensation expense includes the insurance premiums for claims in excess of \$0.5 million, claims administration fees charged by the Company's workers' compensation administrator, premiums paid to state-operated insurance funds, and an estimate for the Company's liability for Incurred But Not Reported ("IBNR") claims and for the ongoing development of existing claims. Total workers' compensation expense was \$3.1 million and \$4.8 million, representing 0.52% and 0.54% of applicable U.S. revenue for the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

The accrual for IBNR claims and for the ongoing development of existing claims in each reporting period includes estimates. The Company has established reserves for workers' compensation claims using loss development rates which are estimated using periodic third-party actuarial valuations based upon historical loss statistics which include the Company's historical frequency and severity of workers' compensation claims, and an estimate of future cost trends. While management believes that its assumptions and estimates are appropriate, significant differences in actual experience or significant changes in assumptions may materially affect the Company's future results. Based on the Company's results for the three months ended March 31, 2009, a five-percentage point deviation in the Company's estimated loss development rates would have resulted in an increase or decrease in the allowance of \$0.1 million.

Stock-based Compensation. Under various stock plans, officers, employees and outside directors have received or may receive grants of restricted stock, stock units, stock appreciation rights or options to purchase common stock.

Compensation expense for restricted stock and stock units is generally recognized on a straight-line basis over the vesting period, based on the stock's fair market value on the grant date. For restricted stock grants issued with performance conditions, compensation expense is recognized over each vesting tranche. The Company recognizes compensation expense for only the portion of restricted stock and stock units that is expected to vest, rather than record forfeitures when they occur. If the actual number of forfeitures differs from those estimated by management, additional adjustments to compensation expense may be required in future periods. For purposes of calculating stock-based compensation expense for retirement-eligible employees, the service period is assumed to be met on the grant date or retirement-eligible date, whichever is later.

No stock appreciation rights have been granted under the Company's existing stock plans.

The Company determines the fair value of options to purchase common stock using the Black-Scholes valuation model. The Company recognizes expense over the service period for options that are expected to vest and records adjustments to compensation expense at the end of the service period if actual forfeitures differ from original estimates. The Company has not granted any options to purchase common stock since 2006.

For the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008, compensation expense related to restricted stock and stock units was \$14.4 million and \$15.6 million, respectively, of which \$1.5 million and \$3.0 million was related to grants made in 2009 and 2008, respectively. A one-percentage point deviation in the estimated forfeiture rates would have resulted in a \$0.1 million and a \$0.2 million increase or decrease in compensation expense related to restricted stock and stock units for the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

#### Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In April 2009, the FASB issued Staff Position FAS 107-1 and APB 28-1, *Interim Disclosures about Fair Value of Financial Instruments* ("FSP FAS 107-1 and APB 28-1"). FSP FAS 107-1 and APB 28-1 requires an entity to provide disclosures about fair value of financial instruments in interim financial reporting. FSP FAS 107-1 and APB 28-1 is effective for interim periods ending after June 15, 2009. The Company is in the process of analyzing the impact of FSP FAS 107-1 and APB 28-1 on its Financial Statements.

In April 2009, The FASB issued Staff Position No. FAS 157-4, *Determining Fair Value When The Volume and Level of Activity for the Asset or Liability Have Significantly Decreased and Identifying Transactions That Are Not Orderly* ("FSP FAS 157-4"). FSP FAS 157-4 provides additional guidance to highlight and expand on the factors that should be considered in estimating fair value when there has been a significant decrease in market activity for a financial asset. FSP FAS 157-4 is effective for interim and annual periods ending after June 15, 2009. The Company is in the process of analyzing the impact of FSP FAS 157-4 on its Financial Statements.

#### Results of Operations—Three months ended March 31, 2009

Demand for the Company's temporary and permanent staffing services and risk consulting and internal audit services is largely dependent upon general economic and labor market conditions both domestically and abroad. Correspondingly, results of operations for the first quarter of 2009 were negatively impacted by declining global economic conditions. Because of the inherent difficulty in predicting economic trends and the absence of material long-term contracts in any of our business units, future demand for the Company's services cannot be forecasted with certainty. We expect the Company's results to continue to be negatively impacted by a relatively prolonged period of global economic contraction.

The Company's temporary and permanent staffing services business has more than 370 offices in 42 states, the District of Columbia and 20 foreign countries, while Protiviti has more than 60 offices in 23 states and 16 foreign countries.

Because fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates have an impact on the Company's results, the Company provides selected growth percentages below on a constant-currency basis. Constant-currency percentages are calculated using as-reported amounts which have been retranslated using the prior year's foreign currency exchange rates.

Revenues. The Company's revenues were \$823 million for the three months ended March 31, 2009, decreasing by 33% compared to \$1.2 billion for the three months ended March 31, 2008. Revenues from foreign operations represented 29% and 28% of total revenues for the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively. The Company analyzes its revenues for three reportable segments: temporary and consultant staffing, permanent placement staffing and risk consulting and internal audit services. In the first quarter of 2009, revenues for all three of the Company's reportable segments were down compared to the first quarter of 2008. Contributing factors for each reportable segment are discussed below in further detail.

Temporary and consultant staffing services revenues were \$672 million for the three months ended March 31, 2009, decreasing by 31% compared to revenues of \$968 million for the three months ended March 31, 2008. On a constant-currency basis, temporary and consultant staffing services revenues decreased 26% for the first quarter of 2009 compared to the first quarter of 2008. In the first quarter of 2009, demand for the Company's temporary and consultant staffing services decreased significantly as global labor markets weakened along with general macroeconomic conditions. In the United States, revenues in the first quarter of 2009 decreased 32% compared to the first quarter of 2008. For the Company's foreign operations, constant-currency revenues in the first quarter of 2009 decreased 10% compared to the first quarter of 2008.

Permanent placement revenues were \$50 million for the three months ended March 31, 2009, decreasing by 57% compared to revenues of \$116 million for the three months ended March 31, 2008. On a constant-currency basis, permanent placement revenues decreased 53% for the first quarter of 2009 compared to the first quarter of 2008. In the United States, revenues in the first quarter of 2009 decreased 60% compared to the first quarter of 2008. Historically, demand for permanent placement services is even more sensitive to economic and labor market conditions than demand for temporary and consulting staffing services and this is expected to continue. The U.S. unemployment rate ended the quarter at 8.5% as of March 2009, its highest level since 1983. For the Company's foreign operations, constant-currency revenues in the first quarter of 2009 decreased 41% compared to the first quarter of 2008.

Risk consulting and internal audit services revenues were \$101 million for the three months ended March 31, 2009, decreasing by 29% compared to revenues of \$142 million for the three months ended March 31, 2008. On a constant-currency basis, risk consulting and internal audit services revenues decreased 27% for the first quarter of 2009 compared to the first quarter of 2008 due to a significant decline in revenues produced by compliance-related projects, mainly those tied to the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, a trend which may continue. In addition, weakening global macroeconomic conditions negatively impacted demand. In the United States, revenues in the first quarter of 2009 decreased 30% compared to the first quarter of 2008. For the Company's foreign operations, constant-currency revenues in the first quarter of 2009 decreased 19% compared to the first quarter of 2008.

Gross Margin. The Company's gross margin dollars were \$294 million for the three months ended March 31, 2009, decreasing by 43% from \$511 million for the three months ended March 31, 2008. For the first quarter of 2009 compared to the first quarter of 2008, gross margin dollars for all three of the Company's reportable segments decreased under difficult economic conditions. Gross margin as a percentage of revenues also decreased for the Company's temporary and consultant staffing services and risk consulting and internal audit services divisions on a year-over-year basis. Contributing factors for each reportable segment are discussed below in further detail.

Gross margin dollars from the Company's temporary and consultant staffing services represent revenues less direct costs of services, which consist of payroll, payroll taxes and insurance costs for temporary employees,

and reimbursable expenses. Gross margin dollars for the Company's temporary and consultant staffing services division were \$233 million for the three months ended March 31, 2009, decreasing by 34% compared to \$355 million for the three months ended March 31, 2008. On a constant-currency basis, temporary and consultant staffing services gross margin dollars decreased 31% for the first quarter of 2009 compared to the first quarter of 2008. As a percentage of revenues, gross margin for temporary and consultant staffing services was 34.7% in 2009, down from 36.7% in the first quarter of 2008. This year-over-year decrease was primarily the result of a decrease in conversion revenues in the first quarter of 2009 compared to the first quarter of 2008. Conversion revenues are earned when a temporary position converts to a permanent position. As there are no direct costs related to conversion revenues, the gross margin percentage is favorably impacted as the mix of conversion revenues increases.

Gross margin dollars from permanent placement staffing services represent revenues less reimbursable expenses. Gross margin dollars for the Company's permanent placement staffing division were \$50 million for the three months ended March 31, 2009, decreasing by 57% compared to \$116 million for the three months ended March 31, 2008. On a constant-currency basis, permanent placement gross margin dollars decreased 53% for the first quarter of 2009 compared to the first quarter of 2008. Because reimbursable expenses for permanent placement staffing services are de minimis, the decrease in gross margin dollars is substantially explained by the decrease in revenues previously discussed.

Gross margin dollars for risk consulting and internal audit services represent revenues less direct costs of services, which consist primarily of professional staff payroll, payroll taxes, insurance costs and reimbursable expenses. Gross margin dollars for the Company's risk consulting and internal audit division were \$11 million for the three months ended March 31, 2009, decreasing by 74% compared to \$40 million for the three months ended March 31, 2008. On a constant-currency basis, risk consulting and internal audit gross margin dollars decreased 75% for the first quarter of 2009 compared to the first quarter of 2008. As a percentage of revenues, gross margin for risk consulting and internal audit services was 10.4% in for the first quarter of 2009, down from 28.2% in the first quarter of 2008. The year-over-year margin decline is primarily due to lower staff utilization levels resulting from lower revenues, as well as staff reduction charges.

Selling, General and Administrative Expenses. The Company's selling, general and administrative expenses were \$277 million for the three months ended March 31, 2009, decreasing by 30% compared to \$394 million for the three months ended March 31, 2008. As a percentage of revenues, the Company's selling, general and administrative expenses were 33.7% for the first quarter of 2009, up from 32.2% for the first quarter of 2008. For the first quarter of 2009 compared to the first quarter of 2008, selling, general and administrative expenses decreased for all three of the Company's reportable segments. Selling, general and administrative expenses as a percentage of revenues increased for all three of the Company's reportable segments in the first quarter of 2009 compared to the first quarter of 2008. Contributing factors for each reportable segment are discussed below in further detail.

Selling, general and administrative expenses for the Company's temporary and consultant staffing services division were \$194 million for the three months ended March 31, 2009, down 25% from \$256 million for the three months ended March 31, 2008. As a percentage of revenues, selling, general and administrative expenses for temporary and consultant staffing services were 28.8% in the first quarter of 2009, up from 26.5% in the first quarter of 2008. For the first quarter of 2009 compared to the first quarter of 2008, increases as a percentage of revenues for administration costs, fixed overhead and variable overhead were partially offset by decreases as a percentage of revenue for field compensation and advertising expenses.

Selling, general and administrative expenses for the Company's permanent placement staffing division were \$54 million for the three months ended March 31, 2009, decreasing by 45% compared to \$98 million for the three months ended March 31, 2008. As a percentage of revenues, selling, general and administrative expenses for permanent placement staffing services were 108.3% in the first quarter of 2009, up from 85.1% in the first quarter of 2008. For the first quarter of 2009 compared to the first quarter of 2008, increases as a

percentage of revenues for fixed overhead, field compensation, administration costs, variable overhead and expenses related to doubtful accounts receivable were partially offset by decreased advertising expenses as a percentage of revenues.

Selling, general and administrative expenses for the Company's risk consulting and internal audit services division were \$29 million for the three months ended March 31, 2009, decreasing by 25% compared to \$40 million for the three months ended March 31, 2008. As a percentage of revenues, selling, general and administrative expenses for risk consulting and internal audit services were 29.2% in the fourth quarter of 2009, up from 27.8% in the first quarter of 2008. For the first quarter of 2009 compared to the first quarter of 2008, increases as a percentage of revenues for fixed overhead, administration costs and expenses related to accounts receivable were partially offset by decreases as a percentage of revenue for variable overhead and advertising expenses.

Operating Income. The Company's total operating income was \$17 million, or 2.0% of revenues, for the three months ended March 31, 2009, decreasing by 86% compared to \$117 million, or 9.5% of revenues, for the three months ended March 31, 2008. For the Company's temporary and consultant staffing services division, operating income was \$40 million, or 5.9% of applicable revenues, down from \$99 million, or 10.2% of applicable revenues, in the first quarter of 2008. For the Company's permanent placement staffing division, operating loss was \$4 million, or negative 8.5% of applicable revenues, down from operating income of \$17 million, or 14.8% of applicable revenues, in the first quarter of 2008. For the Company's risk consulting and internal audit services division, operating loss was \$19 million, or negative 18.8% of applicable revenues, down from operating income of \$1 million, or 0.4% of applicable revenues, in the first quarter of 2008.

Amortization of intangible assets. Amortization of intangible assets was \$0.6 million for both the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008. Intangible assets result from the Company's acquisitions. For acquisitions, the Company allocates the excess of cost over the fair market value of the net tangible assets first to identifiable intangible assets, if any, and then to goodwill. Identifiable intangible assets are amortized over their lives, typically ranging from two to five years. Goodwill is not amortized, but is tested at least annually for impairment. Net intangible assets, consisting primarily of goodwill, represented 14% of total assets and 20% of total stockholders' equity at March 31, 2009.

Interest income and expense. Interest income for the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008, was \$0.7 million and \$3.1 million, respectively. Lower first quarter 2009 interest income was primarily due to lower interest rates. Interest expense for the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008, was \$0.1 million and \$1.1 million, respectively.

*Provision for income taxes.* The provision for income taxes was 47% and 40% for the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively. The increase is partially due to losses in international locations where corresponding tax benefits are not being recognized. Also contributing to the increase is the larger percentage impact that permanent non-deductible tax items have on lower year-over-year income before taxes.

#### Liquidity and Capital Resources

The change in the Company's liquidity during the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008, is primarily the net effect of funds generated by operations and the funds used for capital expenditures, repurchases of common stock and payment of dividends.

Cash, and cash equivalents were \$359 million and \$356 million at March 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively. Operating activities provided \$48 million during the three months ended March 31, 2009, partially offset by \$13 million and \$26 million of net cash used in investing activities and financing activities, respectively. Operating activities provided \$119 million during the three months ended March 31, 2008, partially offset by \$19 million and \$54 million of net cash used in investing activities and financing activities, respectively.

Operating activities—Net cash provided by operating activities for the three months ended March 31, 2009, was composed of net income of \$9 million, adjusted for non-cash items of \$33 million, and net cash provided by changes in working capital of \$6 million. Net cash provided by operating activities for the three months ended March 31, 2008, was composed of net income of \$71 million adjusted for non-cash items of \$42 million, and net cash provided by changes in working capital of \$6 million.

Investing activities—Cash used in investing activities for the three months ended March 31, 2009, was \$13 million. This was primarily composed of capital expenditures of \$14 million offset by decreases in deposits to trusts for employee benefits and retirement plans of \$1 million. Cash used in investing activities for the three months ended March 31, 2008, was \$19 million. This was primarily composed of capital expenditures of \$16 million and deposits to trusts for employee benefits and retirement plans of \$2 million.

Financing activities—Cash used in financing activities for the three months ended March 31, 2009, was \$26 million. This was primarily driven by repurchases of \$8 million in common stock and \$18 million in cash dividends to stockholders. Cash used in financing activities for the three months ended March 31, 2008, was \$54 million. This included repurchases of \$58 million in common stock and \$18 million in cash dividends to stockholders, partially offset by proceeds of \$21 million from exercises of stock options and the excess tax benefits from stock-based compensation of \$1 million.

As of March 31, 2009, the Company is authorized to repurchase, from time to time, up to 9.3 million additional shares of the Company's common stock on the open market or in privately negotiated transactions, depending on market conditions. During the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008, the Company repurchased 0.5 million shares and 1.0 million shares of common stock on the open market for a total cost of \$9 million and \$25 million, respectively. Additional stock repurchases were made in connection with employee stock plans, whereby Company shares were tendered by employees for the payment of exercise price and applicable statutory withholding taxes. During the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008, such repurchases totaled 0.2 million shares and 1.2 million shares, at a cost of \$4 million and \$33 million, respectively. Repurchases of shares have been funded with cash generated from operations.

The Company's working capital at March 31, 2009, included \$359 million in cash and cash equivalents. The Company's working capital requirements relate primarily to accounts receivable. While there can be no assurances in this regard, the Company expects that internally generated cash will be sufficient to support the working capital needs of the Company, the Company's fixed payments, dividends, and other obligations on both a short- and long-term basis. However, continued or increased volatility and disruption in the global capital and credit markets could negatively impact the Company's business operations and therefore its liquidity and ability to meet working capital needs.

On May 5, 2009, the Company announced a quarterly dividend of \$.12 per share to be paid to all shareholders of record on May 26, 2009. The dividend will be paid on June 15, 2009.

#### ITEM 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

The Company is exposed to the impact of foreign currency fluctuations. The Company's exposure to foreign currency exchange rates relates primarily to the Company's foreign subsidiaries. Exchange rates impact the U.S. dollar value of the Company's reported earnings, investments in its foreign subsidiaries, and the intercompany transactions with its foreign subsidiaries.

For the three months ended March 31, 2009, approximately 29% of the Company's revenues were generated outside of the United States. These operations transact business in their functional currency. As a result, fluctuations in the value of foreign currencies against the U.S. dollar, particularly the Canadian dollar, British pound, and Euro, have an impact on the Company's reported results. Revenues and expenses denominated in foreign currencies are translated into U.S. dollars at the monthly average exchange rates prevailing during the

period. Consequently, as the value of the U.S. dollar changes relative to the currencies of the Company's non-U.S. markets, the Company's reported results vary.

Fluctuations in currency exchange rates impact the U.S. dollar amount of the Company's stockholders' equity. The assets and liabilities of the Company's non-U.S. subsidiaries are translated into U.S. dollars at the exchange rates in effect at period end. The resulting translation adjustments are recorded in stockholders' equity as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income.

#### ITEM 4. Controls and Procedures

Management, including the Company's Chairman and Chief Executive Officer and the Vice Chairman and Chief Financial Officer, evaluated the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based upon that evaluation, the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer and the Vice Chairman and Chief Financial Officer concluded that the disclosure controls and procedures were effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed in the reports the Company files and submits under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the rules and forms of the Securities and Exchange Commission and that information required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to the Company's management, including its principal executive and principal financial officers, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

There have been no changes in the Company's internal controls over financial reporting identified in connection with the evaluation required by Rule 13a-15 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that occurred during the Company's last fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

#### PART II—OTHER INFORMATION

#### ITEM 1. Legal Proceedings

On February 26, 2009, Plaintiff Annette Johnson, on behalf of herself and a putative class of all current and former non-exempt employees of the Company, filed a Complaint in California Superior Court naming the Company as Defendant. The Complaint alleges that the Company failed to calculate properly the overtime owed to non-exempt employees in California when it allegedly failed to include certain bonus payments in overtime calculations. Plaintiff seeks the alleged additional overtime amounts, interest, attorneys' fees, and costs. In addition, Plaintiff seeks an unspecified amount for statutory penalties for alleged violations of the California Labor Code arising from the purported violations. The Company is engaged in a preliminary review of the allegations included in the Complaint, which was served on the Company on April 30, 2009. At this stage of the litigation, it is not feasible to predict the outcome of or a range of loss, should a loss occur, from this proceeding, and accordingly, no amounts have been provided in the accompanying financial statements.

There have been no material developments with regard to the other legal proceedings previously disclosed in the Company's annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008.

#### ITEM 1A. Risk Factors

In the risk factor disclosed in the Company's most recent annual report on Form 10-K titled "The Company and certain subsidiaries are defendants in several class and representative action lawsuits alleging various wage and hour claims that could cause the Company to incur substantial liabilities," the Company references a total of four class and representative lawsuits, all of which are pending in California. As disclosed in Part II, Item 1 of this Form 10-Q, a new action (the "Johnson Action") was recently filed in California. Accordingly, the above titled risk factor is revised to reflect that there are five class or representative actions referenced in such risk factor, all of which are pending in California. Further, the Johnson Action alleges that the Company failed to calculate properly the overtime owed to non-exempt employees in California when it allegedly failed to include certain bonus payments in overtime calculations, and seeks the alleged additional overtime amounts, interest, attorneys' fees and costs, as well as an unspecified amount for statutory penalties for alleged violations of the California Labor Code arising from the purported violations. The description of the allegations and the relief sought with respect to the other actions contained in such risk factor remain unchanged.

There have not been any material changes with respect to the other risk factors disclosed in such Form 10-K.

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#### ITEM 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

	Total Number of Shares Purchased	Average Price Paid per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans	Number of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under Publicly Announced Plans (c)
January 1, 2009 to January 31, 2009	190,700(a)	\$20.00	_	9,795,397
February 1, 2009 to February 28, 2009	16,325(a)	\$17.54		9,795,397
March 1, 2009 to March 31, 2009	531,527(b)	\$17.40	506,347	9,289,050
Total January 1, 2009 to March 31, 2009	738,552		506,347	

<sup>(</sup>a) Represents shares repurchased in connection with employee stock plans, whereby Company shares were tendered by employees for the payment of applicable withholding taxes and/or exercise price.

- (b) Includes 25,180 shares repurchased in connection with employee stock plans, whereby Company shares were tendered by employees for the payment of applicable withholding taxes and/or exercise price.
- (c) Commencing in October 1997, the Company's Board of Directors has, at various times, authorized the repurchase, from time to time, of the Company's common stock on the open market or in privately negotiated transactions depending on market conditions. Since plan inception, a total of 78,000,000 shares have been authorized for repurchase of which 68,710,950 shares have been repurchased as of March 31, 2009.

#### ITEM 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities

None.

### ITEM 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

None.

#### ITEM 5. Other Information

None.

#### ITEM 6. Exhibits

- 3.1 Restated Certificate of Incorporation.
- 3.2 By-Laws, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2003.
- 10.1 Form of Part-Time Employment Agreement, as amended and restated.
- 10.2 Form of Amended and Restated Severance Agreement.
- 10.3 Amended and Restated Severance Agreement between Registrant and Paul F. Gentzkow.
- 31.1 Rule 13a-14(a) Certification of Chief Executive Officer.
- 31.2 Rule 13a-14(a) Certification of Chief Financial Officer.
- 32.1 Section 1350 Certification of Chief Executive Officer.
- 32.2 Section 1350 Certification of Chief Financial Officer.

### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

ROBERT HALF INTERNATIONAL INC. (Registrant)

/s/ M. KEITH WADDELL

M. Keith Waddell
Vice Chairman, President and Chief Financial Officer
(Principal Financial Officer and
duly authorized signatory)

Date: May 8, 2009

#### RESTATED CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

of

#### ROBERT HALF INTERNATIONAL INC.,

#### a Delaware corporation

Robert Half International Inc., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, DOES HEREBY CERTIFY:

FIRST: The present name of the Corporation is Robert Half International Inc.

SECOND: The Corporation was originally incorporated under the name Boothe Interim Corporation and subsequently changed its name to Boothe Financial Corporation before taking its present name.

THIRD: The date of filing of the Corporation's original Certificate of Incorporation with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware was October 18, 1979.

FOURTH: This Restated Certificate of Incorporation restates, integrates and further amends the provisions of the Corporation's Certificate of Incorporation as previously restated, amended or supplemented.

FIFTH: This Restated Certificate of Incorporation has been duly adopted in accordance with the applicable provisions of Section 242 and 245 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware by the Corporation's Board of Directors and by the vote of the required number of shares of outstanding stock of the Corporation entitled to vote thereon.

SIXTH: The Certificate of Incorporation is hereby restated to read in full as follows:

- 1. Name. The name of the Corporation is Robert Half International Inc.
- 2. *Registered Office*. The address of the registered office of the Corporation in the State of Delaware is 1209 Orange Street, in the City of Wilmington, County of New Castle. The name of its registered agent at such address is The Corporation Trust Company.
- 3. *Purposes*. The purpose of the Corporation is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which corporations may be organized under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.

#### 4. Capital Stock.

- A. Authorized Capital. The Corporation is authorized to issue two classes of shares of stock to be designated respectively "preferred" and "common." The total number of shares which the Corporation is authorized to issue is two hundred sixty-five million (265,000,000), and the aggregate par value of all shares that are to have a par value shall be \$265,000. The number of common shares authorized is two hundred sixty million (260,000,000), each such share to have a par value of \$.001, and the number of preferred shares authorized is five million (5,000,000), each such share to have a par value of \$.001.
- B. Common Stock. The holders of shares of common stock shall be entitled to receive such dividends as may be declared by the Board of Directors. In the event of voluntary or involuntary liquidation of the Corporation, the holders of shares of common stock shall be entitled to receive pro rata all of the remaining assets of the Corporation available for distribution to its stockholders after all amounts to which the holders of shares of preferred stock are entitled have been paid or set aside in cash for payment. Except as may be otherwise required by law or this Certificate of Incorporation, each holder of record of each share of common stock shall be entitled to one vote for each such share standing in his name on the books of the Corporation.

C. *Preferred Stock*. The designations and the powers, preferences and rights, and the qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereof, of the preferred stock shall be as follows:

The preferred stock may be issued from time to time in one or more series. The Board of Directors is expressly authorized at any time, and from time to time, to provide for the issuance of shares of preferred stock in one or more series, with such voting powers, full or limited, or without voting powers and with such designations, preferences and relative, participating, optional or other special rights, and qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereon, as shall be stated and expressed in the resolution or resolutions providing for the issue thereof adopted by the Board of Directors, and as are not stated and expressed in this Certificate of Incorporation, or any amendment thereto, including (but without limiting the generality of the foregoing) the following:

- (a) the distinctive serial designation of such series and the number of shares constituting a series;
- (b) the dividend rate of such series, the conditions and dates upon which such dividends shall be payable, the preference or relation which such dividends shall bear to the dividends payable on any other class or classes or of any other series of capital stock, and whether such dividends shall be cumulative or noncumulative:
- (c) whether the shares of such series shall be subject to redemption by the Corporation, and, if made subject to such redemption, the times, prices and other terms and conditions of such redemption;
- (d) whether the shares are entitled to the benefit of a sinking or retirement fund to be applied to the purchase or redemption of shares of a series and, if so entitled, the amount of the fund and the manner of its application, including the price or prices at which the shares may be redeemed or purchased through the application of the fund;
- (e) whether or not the shares of such series shall be convertible into or exchangeable for, shares of any other class or classes or of any other series of any class or classes of capital stock of the Corporation, and, if provision be made for conversion or exchange, the times, prices, rates, adjustments, and other terms and conditions of such conversion or exchange;
  - (f) the voting powers, full or limited, if any, of the shares of the series;
  - (g) the restrictions, if any, on the issue or reissue of any additional preferred stock;
- (h) the rights of the holders of the shares of such series upon the dissolution of, or upon the distribution of assets of, the Corporation.

There is hereby expressly granted to the Board of Directors of the Corporation authority to increase or decrease the number of shares of any series subsequent to the issue of shares of that series, but not below the number of shares of that series then outstanding. In case the number of shares of any series shall be so decreased, the shares constituting such decrease shall resume the status which they had prior to the adoption of the resolution originally fixing the number of shares of such series.

- 5. *Management of Business*. The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by or under the direction of the Board of Directors and the directors need not be elected by ballot unless required by the By-laws of the Corporation.
- 6. *By-laws*. In furtherance and not in limitation of the powers conferred by statute, the Board of Directors and Stockholders are each expressly authorized to make, alter or repeal the By-laws of the Corporation.
- 7. Amendments. The Corporation reserves the right to amend and repeal any provision contained in this Certificate of Incorporation in the manner prescribed by the laws of the State of Delaware. All rights herein conferred are granted subject to this reservation.
- 8. *Elimination of Certain Liability of Directors*. A director of the Corporation shall not be personally liable to the Corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director, except for

liability (i) for any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the Corporation or its stockholders, (ii) for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, (iii) under Section 174 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, or (iv) for any transaction from which the director derived any improper personal benefit. Any repeal or modification of the preceding sentence by the stockholders of the Corporation shall not adversely affect any right or protection of a director of the Corporation existing at the time of such repeal or modification.

#### 9 Indemnification and Insurance.

- (a) Right to Indemnification. Each person who was or is made a party or is threatened to be made a party to or is otherwise involved in any action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (hereinafter a "proceeding"), by reason of the fact that he or she, or a person of whom he or she is the legal representative, is or was a director, officer or employee of the Corporation or is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation or of a partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, including service with respect to employee benefit plans (hereinafter an "indemnitee"), whether the basis of such proceeding is alleged action in an official capacity as a director, officer, employee or agent or in any other capacity while serving as a director, officer, employee or agent, shall be indemnified and held harmless by the Corporation to the fullest extent authorized by the Delaware General Corporation Law, against all expense, liability and loss (including attorneys' fees, judgments, fines, ERISA excise taxes or penalties and amounts paid or to be paid in settlement) reasonably incurred or suffered by such indemnitee in connection therewith and such indemnification shall continue as to an indemnitee who has ceased to be a director, officer, employee or agent and shall inure to the benefit of the indemnitee's heirs, executors and administrators; provided, however, that, except as provided in paragraph (b) hereof with respect to proceedings to enforce rights to indemnification, the Corporation shall indemnify any such indemnitee in connection with a proceeding (or part thereof) initiated by such indemnitee only if such proceeding (or part thereof) was authorized by the Board of Directors of the Corporation. The right to indemnification conferred in this Article shall be a contract right and shall include the right to be paid by the Corporation the expenses incurred in defending any such proceeding in advance of its final disposition (hereinafter an "advancement of expenses"); provided, however, that, if the Delaware General Corporation Law requires, an advancement of expenses incurred by an indemnitee in his or her capacity as a director or officer (and not in any other capacity in which service was or is rendered by such indemnitee, including without limitation, service to an employee benefit plan) shall be made only upon delivery to the Corporation of an undertaking, by or on behalf of such indemnitee, to repay all amounts so advanced if it shall ultimately be determined by final judicial decision from which there is no further right to appeal that such indemnitee is not entitled to be indemnified for such expenses under this Article or otherwise (hereinafter an "undertaking").
- (b) Right of Indemnitee to Bring Suit. If a claim under paragraph (a) of this Article is not paid in full by the Corporation within sixty days after a written claim has been received by the Corporation, except in the case of a claim for an advancement of expenses, in which case the applicable period shall be twenty days, the indemnitee may at any time thereafter bring suit against the Corporation to recover the unpaid amount of the claim. If successful in whole or in part in any such suit or in a suit brought by the Corporation to recover an advancement of expenses pursuant to the terms of an undertaking, the indemnitee shall be entitled to be paid also the expense of prosecuting or defending such suit. In (i) any suit brought by the indemnitee to enforce a right to indemnification hereunder (but not in a suit brought by the indemnitee to enforce a right to an advancement of expenses) it shall be a defense that, and (ii) any suit by the Corporation to recover an advancement of expenses pursuant to the terms of an undertaking the Corporation shall be entitled to recover such expenses upon a final adjudication that, the indemnitee has not met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in the Delaware General Corporation Law. Neither the failure of the Corporation (including its Board of Directors, independent legal counsel, or its stockholders) to have made a determination prior to commencement of such suit that indemnification of the indemnitee is proper in the circumstances because the indemnitee has met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in the Delaware General Corporation Law, nor an actual determination by the Corporation (including its Board of Directors, independent legal counsel, or its stockholders) that the indemnitee has not met such applicable standard of conduct, shall create a presumption that the indemnitee has not met the applicable standard of conduct or, in

the case of such a suit brought by the indemnitee, be a defense to such suit. In any suit brought by the indemnitee to enforce a right hereunder, or by the Corporation to recover an advancement of expenses pursuant to the terms of an undertaking, the burden of proving that the indemnitee is not entitled to be indemnified or to such advancement of expenses under this Article or otherwise shall be on the Corporation.

- (c) *Non-Exclusivity of Rights*. The rights to indemnification and to the advancement of expenses conferred in this Article shall not be exclusive of any other right which any person may have or hereafter acquire under any statute, this Certificate of Incorporation, by-law, agreement, vote of stockholders or disinterested directors or otherwise.
- (d) *Insurance*. The Corporation may maintain insurance, at its expense, to protect itself and any director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation or another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against any expense, liability or loss, whether or not the Corporation would have the power to indemnify such person against such expense, liability or loss under the Delaware General Corporation Law.
- (e) *Indemnification of Agents of the Corporation*. The Corporation may, to the extent authorized from time to time by the Board of Directors, grant rights to indemnification and to the advancement of expenses to any agent of the Corporation to the fullest extent of the provisions of this Article with respect to the indemnification and advancement of expenses of directors, officers and employees of the Corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Robert Half International Inc. has caused this Restated Certificate of Incorporation to be signed by its Executive Vice President and attested by its Secretary this 5th day of May, 2009.

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Ву	/s/ ROBERT W. GLASS	
Name:	Robert W. Glass	
Title:	<b>Executive Vice President</b>	

Attest:

By \_\_\_\_\_/s/ Steven Karel

Name: Steven Karel Title: Secretary

The amended and restated Part-Time Employment Agreement substantially in the form attached hereto has been entered into by the Registrant with each of Harold M. Messmer, Jr., M. Keith Waddell, Paul F. Gentzkow, Robert W. Glass and Steven Karel. Pursuant to Instruction 2 to Item 601 of Regulation S-K, the individual agreements are not being filed.

#### PART-TIME EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

The Consulting Agreement (originally made as of January 1, 1999, and subsequently amended and restated in 2000, 2001 and 2008) by and between Robert Half International Inc. ("Company") and ("Employee"), is amended and restated to read in its entirety as set forth herein, effective as of April 21, 2009.

Whereas, Employee currently serves as an Executive Officer of Company.

Whereas, Company wishes to make arrangements now to insure the availability of the advice, counsel and experience of Employee after Employee retires as an executive officer and Company considers such services to be very important in view of the personal service nature of Company's business and Employee's vital role in helping to build such business.

#### NOW, THEREFORE, Company and Employee agree as follows:

- 1. *Engagement*. Commencing on the Part-Time Employment Commencement Date, Employee shall become a part-time employee of the Company during the Part-Time Employment Period upon the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth. Nothing herein shall in any way modify, affect or govern the terms and conditions of Employee's employment by Company prior to the Part-Time Employment Commencement Date. If Employee's full-time employment with Company shall terminate prior to the Part-Time Employment Commencement Date under any circumstances other than Employee's Retirement, this Agreement shall immediately terminate and be of no further force or effect.
- 2. Services. During the Part-Time Employment Period, Employee shall provide advice and counsel to Company at such time and in such manner as reasonably requested from time to time. Company agrees that Employee shall not be required to render more than 40 hours of services during any calendar quarter during the Part-Time Employment Period, nor shall Employee be required to (a) travel outside the United States, (b) travel more than 50 miles from Employee's then current principal home more than once in any year, or (c) render services during other than ordinary business hours. The terms of Employee's part-time employment during the Part-Time Employment Period are determined hereunder and no employee manual, policy statement or similar item issued from time to time by Company to its employees shall constitute part of this Agreement or modify, affect or govern the terms of the engagement of Employee during the Part-Time Employment Period.

#### 3. Compensation.

- (a) During the Part-Time Employment Period, Employee shall be paid a monthly salary equal to 1/12 of the product of (i) 8% and (ii) Employee's Applicable Compensation. Such salary shall be payable in accordance with the Company's standard payroll procedures and shall be subject to required withholding for income and other applicable taxes and contributions.
- (b) Employee shall be reimbursed, upon presentation of proper receipts, for Employee's reasonable business expenses related to travel requested by Company. Company shall also, if requested by Employee, provide Employee with such computer equipment and support as Employee may need to render services hereunder.
- (c) During the Part-Time Employment Period, any shares of restricted stock held by Employee on the Part-Time Employment Commencement Date shall remain outstanding and shall continue to vest in accordance with their existing terms.
- (d) Effective on the Part-Time Employment Commencement Date, any unexercised option granted after January 1, 1999, and then held by Employee shall vest and shall no longer be subject to forfeiture. No portion of any such option, however, may be exercised until the original vesting date for such portion.
- 4. *Other Employment*. Except as provided in Sections 2 and 7 hereof, nothing herein shall be construed as in any way prohibiting or preventing Employee from accepting employment with any other entity subsequent to the Part-Time Employment Commencement Date.

- 5. Use of Name. Employee hereby consents to the use and publication, without further consideration, of his name, picture and image in training materials and other materials relating to the business of any of the RHI Companies, regardless of whether such use or publication is in the form of printed matter, photographs, audio tape, video tape, computer disk, electronic transmission, or otherwise. Such consent applies to both the use and publication of such items during Employee's engagement.
- 6. Disclosure or Misuse of Confidential Information. Employee shall not, at any time during the Part-Time Employment Period or thereafter, directly or indirectly, disclose, furnish or make accessible to any person, firm, corporation, or other entity, or make use of, any confidential information obtained at any time from any of the RHI Companies (whether prior or subsequent to the Part-Time Employment Commencement Date), including, without limitation, information with respect to the name, address, contact persons or requirements of any customer, client, applicant or employee of any of the RHI Companies (whether having to do with temporary or permanent employment) and information with respect to the procedures, advertising, finances, organization, personnel, plans, objectives or strategies of the RHI Companies. Employee acknowledges that such information is safeguarded by the RHI Companies as trade secrets. Upon termination of Employee's employment, Employee shall deliver to the RHI Companies all copies of all records, manuals, training kits, and other property belonging to the RHI Companies or used in connection with their business which may be in Employee's possession. The provisions of this Section shall survive termination of either Employee's employment or this Agreement for any reason.
- 7. Restrictive Covenant. In consideration and view of (i) the valuable consideration furnished to Employee by Company entering into this Agreement, (ii) Employee's access to confidential information and trade secrets of the RHI Companies and (iii) the value of such confidential information and trade secrets to the RHI Companies, during the period commencing on the Part-Time Employment Commencement Date and ending on the fourth anniversary thereof, Employee shall not render services to any other firm, person, corporation, partnership or other entity or individual engaged in the business of temporary, contract or permanent placement of individuals or in the staffing services business (including, but not limited to, any executive recruiting firm, employment agency or temporary personnel service). The covenants of Employee contained in this section are in addition to, and not in amendment, modification or replacement of, any obligations of Employee contained in any other agreement between Employee and Company.
- 8. Non-solicitation of Other Employees. In consideration and view of (i) the valuable consideration furnished to Employee by Company entering into this Agreement, (ii) Employee's access to confidential information and trade secrets of the RHI Companies, and (iii) the value of such confidential information and trade secrets to the RHI Companies, during the period commencing on the Part-Time Employment Commencement Date and ending on the fourth anniversary thereof, Employee shall not, directly or indirectly, solicit, induce, encourage (or assist any other person, firm, entity, business or organization in soliciting, inducing or encouraging) any employee of any of the RHI Companies to leave the employ of the RHI Companies. The covenants of Employee contained in this section are in addition to, and not in amendment, modification or replacement of, any obligations of Employee contained in any other agreement between Employee and Company.
- 9. *Injunction*. In view of Employee's access to confidential information and trade secrets and in consideration of the value of such property to the RHI Companies, Employee expressly acknowledges that the covenants set forth herein are reasonable and necessary in order to protect and maintain the proprietary and other legitimate business interests of the RHI Companies, and that the enforcement thereof would not prevent Employee from earning a livelihood. Employee further agrees that in the event of an actual or threatened breach by Employee of such covenants, the RHI Companies would be irreparably harmed and the full extent of injury resulting therefrom would be impossible to calculate and the RHI Companies therefore will not have an adequate remedy at law. Accordingly, Employee agrees that temporary and permanent injunctive relief would be appropriate remedies against such breach, without bond or security; provided, that nothing herein shall be construed as limiting any other legal or equitable remedies the RHI Companies might have.

#### 10. Termination.

- (a) Employee may terminate Employee's employment during the Part-Time Employment Period at any time on written notice to Company.
- (b) Company may terminate Employee's employment during the Part-Time Employment Period at any time on written notice to Employee.
- (c) If Employee's employment is terminated on or after the Part-Time Employment Commencement Date and prior to the fourth anniversary of the Part-Time Employment Commencement Date (1) by Employee as a result of a willful and material breach of this agreement by Company or (2) by Company other than a Termination for Cause or Termination for Nonperformance, Company shall continue to pay Employee the salary specified herein following Employee's Separation from Service (as such term is defined by Section 409A) until the earlier of (i) the fourth anniversary of the Part-Time Employment Commencement Date, or (ii) any breach by Employee of the provisions of Sections 6, 7, or 8, hereof, provided that any such payment will not be made until six months after Employee's Separation from Service (as such term is defined by Section 409A) to the extent required to render such payment not subject to the excise tax under Section 409A.
- (d) If Employee's engagement hereunder is terminated on or after the Part-Time Employment Commencement Date and prior to the fourth anniversary of the Part-Time Employment Commencement Date (1) by Employee as a result of a willful and material breach of this agreement by Company or (2) by Company other than a Termination for Cause, effective upon the date of such termination, (i) any outstanding unexercised options granted by Company after January 1, 1999, then held by Employee shall remain outstanding for the full length of their original term, and (ii) any unvested shares of restricted stock granted by Company then held by Employee shall vest and shall not be forfeited.
- (e) If the Part-Time Employment Period ends on the fourth anniversary of the Part-Time Employment Commencement Date, then any outstanding unexercised options granted by Company subsequent to the date hereof and then held by Employee shall remain outstanding for the full length of their original term.
- 11. Waiver. Failure of any party to insist upon strict compliance with any of the terms, covenants and conditions hereof shall not be deemed a waiver or relinquishment of the right to subsequently insist upon strict compliance with such term, covenant or condition or a waiver or relinquishment of any similar right or power hereunder at any subsequent time.
- 12. Amendment. No provision of this Agreement may be changed or waived except by an agreement in writing signed by the party against whom enforcement of any such waiver or change is sought.
- 13. Severability. The provisions of this Agreement are severable. If any provision is found by any court of competent jurisdiction to be unreasonable and invalid, that determination shall not affect the enforceability of the other provisions. Furthermore, if any of the restrictions against various activities is found to be unreasonable and invalid, the court before which the matter is pending shall enforce the restriction to the maximum extent it deems to be valid. Such restrictions shall be considered divisible both as to time and as to geographical area, with each month being deemed a separate period of time and each one mile radius from any office being deemed a separate geographical area. The restriction shall remain effective so long as the same is not unreasonable, arbitrary or against public policy.
- 14. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the state of California, except with respect to Sections 6, 7, 8 and 9, which shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the law of the jurisdiction in which an activity in violation thereof occurred or threatens to occur and with respect to which legal and equitable relief is sought. In no event shall the choice of law be predicated upon the fact that Company is incorporated or has its corporate headquarters in a certain state.

- 15. Entire Agreement. This Agreement contains all of the agreements, conditions, promises and covenants between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior or contemporaneous agreements, representations, arrangements or understandings, whether written or oral, with respect to the subject matter hereof.
- 16. *Counterparts*. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, all of which shall constitute one agreement.
- 17. Successors and Assigns. This Agreement shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of Company (including its direct and indirect subsidiaries) and its successors and assigns. This Agreement may not be assigned by Employee.
- 18. *Third Party Beneficiary*. Each of the RHI Companies is a third party beneficiary of this Agreement and each of them has the full right and power to enforce rights, interests and obligations under this Agreement without limitation or other restriction.

#### 19. Definitions.

"Applicable Compensation" for an Employee is the mean Yearly Cash Compensation for the five full calendar years preceding the Part-Time Employment Commencement Date.

"Yearly Cash Compensation" for an Employee for a calendar year means the sum of the base salary and cash bonus paid to him for such year, including amounts paid under the Annual Performance Bonus Plan or any successor plan.

"Termination for Cause" shall mean termination by Company of Employee's employment by Company by reason of (a) Employee's willful dishonesty towards, fraud upon, or deliberate injury or attempted injury to Company which has resulted in material injury to Company, or (b) violation by Employee of the provisions of Section 6, 7, or 8 hereof which has resulted in material injury to Company; provided, however, that Employee's employment shall not be deemed to have been a "Termination for Cause" if such termination took place as a result of any act or omission believed by Employee in good faith to have been in the interest of Company.

"Termination for Nonperformance" shall mean termination by Company of Employee's employment by Company by reason of repeated failure by Employee, following written notice, to materially perform the service obligations contained in Section 2 hereof.

"Part-Time Employment Commencement Date" shall be the date of Employee's Retirement.

"Part-Time Employment Period" means the period of time commencing on the Part-Time Employment Commencement Date and ending on the earlier to occur of (a) the fourth anniversary of the Part-Time Employment Commencement Date or (b) the date on which this agreement is terminated in accordance with the terms hereof.

"Retirement" means any voluntary resignation by Employee of any and all officer positions held by Employee with any of the RHI Companies, accompanied by written notification to the Company by Employee that Employee wishes to become a part-time employee, on or after the later to occur of (a) Employee's 55th birthday, or (b) the 20th anniversary of Employee's first day of service with Company as a director or full-time employee.

"RHI Companies" means Company and its subsidiaries and affiliates.

20. *Indemnification*. The Company shall indemnify Employee for all actions taken while performing services hereunder to the fullest extent permitted by Delaware law, the Certificate of Incorporation and the By-laws of the Company and by the terms of any indemnification agreement that has been or shall be entered into from time to time between the Company and Employee, which indemnification agreement shall remain in full force and effect during the Part-Time Employment Period and shall cover the actions of Employee during the Part-Time Employment Period as if he were a director or an officer during the Part-Time Employment Period.

- 21. Attorneys' Fees. In the event of any litigation pertaining to this agreement, the prevailing party shall be reimbursed by the non-prevailing party for the prevailing party's reasonable attorney's fees and expenses incurred in such litigation.
- 22. *Other Agreements*. Employee's Retirement shall be deemed a voluntary termination of employment by Employee under the agreements and plans set forth on Schedule A hereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have set their hands hereto.

ROBERT HALF INTERNATIONAL INC.
Ву
Employeel
[Employee]

# **Part-Time Employment Agreement**

## between

## Robert Half International Inc. and Harold M. Messmer, Jr.

- 1. Employment Agreement dated as of October 2, 1985, as amended, between Robert Half International Inc. (formerly named Boothe Financial Corporation) and Harold M. Messmer, Jr.
- 2. Collateral Assignment Split Dollar Insurance Agreement dated as of November 15, 1996, between Robert Half International Inc. and the Messmer Family 1996 Trust, as amended.
  - 3. Robert Half International Inc. Annual Performance Bonus Plan.
  - 4. Robert Half International Inc. Deferred Compensation Plan.
- 5. Amended and Restated Severance Agreement between Robert Half International Inc. and Harold M. Messmer, Jr.

# **Part-Time Employment Agreement**

## between

## Robert Half International Inc. and M. Keith Waddell

- 1. Collateral Assignment Split Dollar Insurance Agreement dated as of November 15, 1996, between Robert Half International Inc. and the Waddell 1996 Trust, as amended.
  - 2. Robert Half International Inc. Annual Performance Bonus Plan.
  - 3. Robert Half International Inc. Senior Executive Retirement Plan.
- 4. Amended and Restated Severance Agreement between Robert Half International Inc. and M. Keith Waddell.

# **Part-Time Employment Agreement**

## between

#### Robert Half International Inc. and Paul F. Gentzkow

- 1. Collateral Assignment Split Dollar Insurance Agreement between Robert Half International Inc. and the Gentzkow Trust Agreement, as amended.
  - 2. Robert Half International Inc. Annual Performance Bonus Plan.
  - 3. Robert Half International Inc. Senior Executive Retirement Plan.
- 4. Amended and Restated Severance Agreement between Robert Half International Inc. and Paul F. Gentzkow.
- 5. Employment Agreement dated March 24, 1986, between Robert Half of Minnesota, Inc. and Paul F. Gentzkow.
- 6. Severance Agreement dated October 1, 1991, between Robert Half International Inc. and Paul F. Gentzkow.
  - 7. Agreement dated July 31, 1995, between Robert Half International Inc. and Paul F. Gentzkow.

# **Part-Time Employment Agreement**

## between

## Robert Half International Inc. and Robert W. Glass

- 1. Collateral Assignment Split Dollar Insurance Agreement dated as of November 15, 1996, between Robert Half International Inc. and the Glass Family 1996 Trust, as amended.
  - 2. Robert Half International Inc. Annual Performance Bonus Plan.
  - 3. Robert Half International Inc. Senior Executive Retirement Plan.
- 4. Amended and Restated Severance Agreement between Robert Half International Inc. and Robert W. Glass.

# **Part-Time Employment Agreement**

## between

## Robert Half International Inc. and Steven Karel

- 1. Collateral Assignment Split Dollar Insurance Agreement dated as of November 15, 1996, between Robert Half International Inc. and the Karel Family 1996 Trust, as amended.
  - 2. Robert Half International Inc. Annual Performance Bonus Plan.
  - 3. Robert Half International Inc. Senior Executive Retirement Plan.
  - 4. Amended and Restated Severance Agreement between Robert Half International Inc. and Steven Karel.

# **EXHIBIT 10.2**

The Amended and Restated Severance Agreement substantially in the form attached hereto has been entered into by the Registrant with each of Harold M. Messmer, Jr., M. Keith Waddell, Robert W. Glass and Steven Karel. Pursuant to Instruction 2 to Item 601 of Regulation S-K, the individual agreements are not being filed.

## Amended and Restated Severance Agreement

(Effective as of April 21, 2009)

This Amended and Restated Severance Agreement is entered into as of April 21, 2009, by and between Robert Half International Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company") and (the "Employee").

WHEREAS, the Company and Employee have previously entered into an Amended and Restated Severance Agreement dated as of July 29, 2008, which amended and restated an agreement originally entered into in 1990.

WHEREAS, the Severance Agreement was entered into because the Company believed it to be in the best interest of the Company and its shareholders to provide for stability in the management of the Company.

WHEREAS, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company has approved certain amendments to the Severance Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and the terms and conditions set forth herein, the Company and the Employee hereby agree that the Amended and Restated Severance Agreement dated July 29, 2008, shall be amended and restated to read in its entirety as set forth herein:

## 1. Definitions

"Base Salary" means the highest rate of annual base salary paid to Employee at any time within the six (6) months preceding the Termination Date.

"Change in Control" shall have the meaning specified in the Company's Stock Incentive Plan, as in effect on July 29, 2008.

"Continuation Number" means (a) 2.99, if Employee has served as a Director of the Company at any time prior to the Termination Date, and (b) 2, in all other cases.

"Earliest Payment Date" shall mean six months following Separation from Service or such alternate date as future modifications or amendments to Section 409A and the rules and regulations thereunder may specify as the earliest permitted date for a payment to be made, or, if earlier the date of Employee's death.

"Medical Coverage" means healthcare insurance, benefits and/or coverage that either directly pays the cost of medical care or provides reimbursement therefor, and includes, but is not limited to, doctor or other provider services, tests, equipment, prescriptions and anything else generally considered to be related to individual health care, whether preventive or corrective.

"Section 409A" means Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code.

"Separation from Service" shall have the meaning specified by Section 409A and the rules and regulations thereunder, as such meaning may be modified or amended from time to time.

"Specified Employee" shall have the meaning specified by Section 409A and the rules and regulations thereunder, as such meaning may be modified or amended from time to time.

"Stock" means the Common Stock, \$.001 par value, of the Company.

"Termination Date" means the date on which Employee's employment with the Company is terminated.

"Termination For Cause" means termination by the Company of Employee's employment by the Company by reason of Employee's willful dishonesty towards, fraud upon, or deliberate injury or attempted injury to the

Company, or by reason of Employee's willful material breach of any employment agreement with the Company, which has resulted in material injury to the Company; provided, however, that Employee's employment shall not be deemed to have terminated in a Termination For Cause if such termination took place as a result of any act or omission believed by Employee in good faith to have been in the interest of the Company.

"Termination Without Cause" means (1) termination by the Company of Employee's employment other than pursuant to a Termination For Cause or (2) termination by Employee following (a) a reduction by more than 5% of Employee's base salary per month, exclusive of bonus, fringe benefits and other non-salary compensation, or (b) a request by the Company that Employee relocate more than 50 miles away from the current location of the principal executive offices of the Company.

"Termination Following a Change in Control" means a voluntary termination by Employee within one year following Change in Control.

- 2. Payments and Benefits Upon Termination Without Cause. In the event of a Termination Without Cause, the Employee shall be entitled to receive the following:
  - 2.1. *Base Salary*. Employee shall be paid a lump-sum amount equal to the product of Employee's Base Salary and Employee's Continuation Number. To the extent required by Section 409A, if Employee is a Specified Employee, this lump sum shall be paid no earlier than the Earliest Payment Date and no later than ten business days thereafter.

## 2.2. *Bonus*.

- (a) If the Termination Date occurs within 12 months after a Change in Control, Employee shall be paid a lump-sum amount equal to the product of (i) the annual cash bonus paid (or to be paid) to Employee with respect to the last full calendar year completed prior to the Change in Control and (ii) Employee's Continuation Number. To the extent required by Section 409A, if Employee is a Specified Employee, this lump sum shall be paid no earlier than the Earliest Payment Date and no later than ten business days thereafter.
- (b) If the Termination Date does not occur within 12 months after a Change in Control, Employee shall be paid, when such bonus payments would otherwise typically be made to Employee, but in no event later than the March 15 of the calendar year immediately following the Calendar year in which the Termination Date occurs, a lump-sum amount equal to the product of (i) a fraction, the numerator of which shall be the number of months that, as of the last day of the month in which the Termination Date occurs, shall have passed since the beginning of that calendar year, and the denominator of which shall be twelve and (ii) the bonus to which Employee would have been entitled had such termination not occurred. For purposes of the foregoing clause (ii), Employee shall be not be entitled to a pro rata amount of bonus that is discretionary unless such Employee is specifically awarded such discretionary amount in accordance with the terms and conditions of the applicable bonus plan or program.
- 2.3. *Benefits*. For such number of years following the Termination Date as is equal to the Continuation Number, or until Employee is reemployed, whichever first occurs, Employee also shall be entitled to all employee benefits, including medical and life insurance, pension, retirement and other benefits to which Employee was entitled on the Termination Date.
- 2.4. *Vesting*. If, on the Termination Date, Employee holds any Stock or options or other rights to acquire Stock which are subject to restrictions or vesting based on continued employment with the Company, such restrictions shall lapse and such vesting shall occur effective as of the Termination Date. Each option held by Employee shall remain outstanding and exercisable until the earlier of its exercise or its original expiration date. In addition, if Employee is a participant in the Company's Deferred Compensation Plan, Senior Executive Retirement Plan or any successor plans, all amounts credited under such plans to Employee shall become fully vested and nonforfeitable.
- 2.5. *Multiple Benefits*. To the extent that any other agreement ("Other Agreement") between the Employee and the Company would provide for salary continuation (or a lump sum payment in lieu of salary continuation) and bonus payments under the same circumstances as such benefits would be provided

pursuant to Sections 2.1 and 2.2 hereof, then Employee shall not receive such benefits under both the Other Agreement and Sections 2.1 and 2.2, but shall instead receive the greater of the salary benefit payable under either Section 2.1 or the Other Agreement and the greater of the bonus benefit payable under either Section 2.2 or the Other Agreement. Except as provided by the foregoing sentence, the benefits payable under this Agreement shall be in addition to, and not in lieu of, any other benefits that may be provided under any plan, program or agreement.

- 3. *Termination Following a Change in Control*. If Employee has served as a Director of the Company at any time prior to the Termination Date, Employee shall be entitled to the benefits described in Section 2 hereof in the event of a Termination Following a Change in Control.
- 4. *Medical Coverage*. In the event of any termination of Employee's employment on or after (i) Employee's 53<sup>rd</sup> birthday (if Employee has served as a director) or (ii) Employee's 60<sup>th</sup> birthday (if Employee has not served as a director), whether by the Company or by Employee, other than a Termination For Cause, the Company shall continue to provide to each of Employee and his then current wife until their respective deaths, at the Company's expense, Medical Coverage at a level equal to the greater of (a) the level provided at the date hereof or (b) whatever level may be provided by the Company at any time after the date hereof for its then current employees. Such Medical Coverage shall be provided by means of continued participation in Company healthcare plans, the provision of a separate healthcare plan, direct Company reimbursement, or any combination thereof.
- 5. *Employment*. The sole purpose of this Agreement is to provide Employee with severance benefits under the circumstances described herein. This Agreement is not an employment agreement. This Agreement shall not affect any right of the Company to terminate Employee's employment at any time.
- 6. *Headings*. The headings used in this Agreement are for convenience only, and shall not be used to construe the terms and conditions of the Agreement.
- 7. *Governing Law*. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed according to the laws of the State of California. The terms of this Agreement shall bind and shall inure to the benefit of the successors and assigns of the parties hereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company and the Employee have executed this Agreement as of the date first set forth above.

ROBERT HALF INTERNATIONAL INC.
By:
[Employee]

## **Amended and Restated Severance Agreement**

(Effective as of April 21, 2009)

This Amended and Restated Severance Agreement is entered into as of April 21, 2009, by and between Robert Half International Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company") and Paul F. Gentzkow (the "Employee").

WHEREAS, the Company and Employee have previously entered into an Amended and Restated Severance Agreement dated as of July 29, 2008, which amended and restated an agreement originally entered into in 2000.

WHEREAS, the Severance Agreement was entered into because the Company believed it to be in the best interest of the Company and its shareholders to provide for stability in the management of the Company.

WHEREAS, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company has approved certain amendments to the Severance Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and the terms and conditions set forth herein, the Company and the Employee hereby agree that the Amended and Restated Severance Agreement dated July 29, 2008, shall be amended and restated to read in its entirety as set forth herein:

## 1. Definitions

"Base Salary" means the highest rate of annual base salary paid to Employee at any time within the six (6) months preceding the Termination Date.

"Change in Control" shall have the meaning specified in the Company's Stock Incentive Plan, as in effect on July 29, 2008.

"Continuation Number" means (a) 2.99, if Employee has served as a Director of the Company at any time prior to the Termination Date, and (b) 2, in all other cases.

"Earliest Payment Date" shall mean six months following Separation from Service or such alternate date as future modifications or amendments to Section 409A and the rules and regulations thereunder may specify as the earliest permitted date for a payment to be made, or, if earlier the date of Employee's death.

"Medical Coverage" means healthcare insurance, benefits and/or coverage that either directly pays the cost of medical care or provides reimbursement therefor, and includes, but is not limited to, doctor or other provider services, tests, equipment, prescriptions and anything else generally considered to be related to individual health care, whether preventive or corrective.

"Section 409A" means Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code.

"Separation from Service" shall have the meaning specified by Section 409A and the rules and regulations thereunder, as such meaning may be modified or amended from time to time.

"Specified Employee" shall have the meaning specified by Section 409A and the rules and regulations thereunder, as such meaning may be modified or amended from time to time.

"Stock" means the Common Stock, \$.001 par value, of the Company.

"Termination Date" means the date on which Employee's employment with the Company is terminated.

"Termination For Cause" means termination by the Company of Employee's employment by the Company by reason of Employee's willful dishonesty towards, fraud upon, or deliberate injury or attempted injury to the Company, or by reason of Employee's willful material breach of any employment agreement with the Company, which has resulted in material injury to the Company; provided, however, that Employee's employment shall not be deemed to have terminated in a Termination For Cause if such termination took place as a result of any act or omission believed by Employee in good faith to have been in the interest of the Company.

"Termination Without Cause" means (1) termination by the Company of Employee's employment other than pursuant to a Termination For Cause or (2) termination by Employee following (a) a reduction by more than 5% of Employee's base salary per month, exclusive of bonus, fringe benefits and other non-salary compensation, or (b) a request by the Company that Employee relocate more than 50 miles away from the current location of the principal executive offices of the Company.

"Termination Following a Change in Control" means a voluntary termination by Employee within one year following Change in Control.

- 2. Payments and Benefits Upon Termination Without Cause. In the event of a Termination Without Cause, the Employee shall be entitled to receive the following:
  - 2.1. *Base Salary*. Employee shall be paid a lump-sum amount equal to the product of Employee's Base Salary and Employee's Continuation Number. To the extent required by Section 409A, if Employee is a Specified Employee, this lump sum shall be paid no earlier than the Earliest Payment Date and no later than ten business days thereafter.

#### 2.2. *Bonus*.

- (a) If the Termination Date occurs within 12 months after a Change in Control, Employee shall be paid a lump-sum amount equal to the product of (i) the annual cash bonus paid (or to be paid) to Employee with respect to the last full calendar year completed prior to the Change in Control and (ii) Employee's Continuation Number. To the extent required by Section 409A, if Employee is a Specified Employee, this lump sum shall be paid no earlier than the Earliest Payment Date and no later than ten business days thereafter.
- (b) If the Termination Date does not occur within 12 months after a Change in Control, Employee shall be paid, when such bonus payments would otherwise typically be made to Employee, but in no event later than the March 15 of the calendar year immediately following the Calendar year in which the Termination Date occurs, a lump-sum amount equal to the product of (i) a fraction, the numerator of which shall be the number of months that, as of the last day of the month in which the Termination Date occurs, shall have passed since the beginning of that calendar year, and the denominator of which shall be twelve and (ii) the bonus to which Employee would have been entitled had such termination not occurred. For purposes of the foregoing clause (ii), Employee shall be not be entitled to a pro rata amount of bonus that is discretionary unless such Employee is specifically awarded such discretionary amount in accordance with the terms and conditions of the applicable bonus plan or program.
- 2.3. *Benefits*. For such number of years following the Termination Date as is equal to the Continuation Number, or until Employee is reemployed, whichever first occurs, Employee also shall be entitled to all employee benefits, including medical and life insurance, pension, retirement and other benefits to which Employee was entitled on the Termination Date.
- 2.4. *Vesting*. If, on the Termination Date, Employee holds any Stock or options or other rights to acquire Stock which are subject to restrictions or vesting based on continued employment with the Company, such restrictions shall lapse and such vesting shall occur effective as of the Termination Date. Each option held by Employee shall remain outstanding and exercisable until the earlier of its exercise or its original expiration date. In addition, if Employee is a participant in the Company's Deferred Compensation Plan, Senior Executive Retirement Plan or any successor plans, all amounts credited under such plans to Employee shall become fully vested and nonforfeitable.

2.5. Multiple Benefits. To the extent that any other agreement ("Other Agreement") between the Employee and the Company would provide for salary continuation (or a lump sum payment in lieu of salary continuation) and bonus payments under the same circumstances as such benefits would be provided pursuant to Sections 2.1 and 2.2 hereof, then Employee shall not receive such benefits under both the Other Agreement and Sections 2.1 and 2.2, but shall instead receive the greater of the salary benefit payable under either Section 2.1 or the Other Agreement and the greater of the bonus benefit payable under either Section 2.2 or the Other Agreement.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Benefits provided by Sections 2.1, 2.2 and 2.3 hereof shall supersede the provisions of Sections 2.1 and 2.2 of the Severance Agreement dated as of October 1, 1991, between Employee and the Company and Sections 2(a), 2(b) and 2(c) of the Agreement dated as of July 31, 1995, between Employee and the Company, which superseded sections are of no further force or effect.

- 3. *Termination Following a Change in Control*. If Employee has served as a Director of the Company at any time prior to the Termination Date, Employee shall be entitled to the benefits described in Section 2 hereof in the event of a Termination Following a Change in Control.
- 4. *Medical Coverage*. In the event of any termination of Employee's employment on or after (i) Employee's 53<sup>rd</sup> birthday (if Employee has served as a director) or (ii) Employee's 60<sup>th</sup> birthday (if Employee has not served as a director), whether by the Company or by Employee, other than a Termination For Cause, the Company shall continue to provide to each of Employee and his then current wife until their respective deaths, at the Company's expense, Medical Coverage at a level equal to the greater of (a) the level provided at the date hereof or (b) whatever level may be provided by the Company at any time after the date hereof for its then current employees. Such Medical Coverage shall be provided by means of continued participation in Company healthcare plans, the provision of a separate healthcare plan, direct Company reimbursement, or any combination thereof.
- 5. *Employment*. The sole purpose of this Agreement is to provide Employee with severance benefits under the circumstances described herein. This Agreement is not an employment agreement. This Agreement shall not affect any right of the Company to terminate Employee's employment at any time.
- 6. *Headings*. The headings used in this Agreement are for convenience only, and shall not be used to construe the terms and conditions of the Agreement.
- 7. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed according to the laws of the State of California. The terms of this Agreement shall bind and shall inure to the benefit of the successors and assigns of the parties hereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company and the Employee have executed this Agreement as of the date first set forth above.

ROBERT HALF INTERNATIONAL INC.		
By:/s/	HAROLD M. MESSMER, JR.	
Harold M. Messmer, Jr. Chief Executive Officer		
/:	s/ Paul F. Gentzkow	
	Paul F. Gentzkow	

## Certification Pursuant to Rule 13a-14 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

I, Harold M. Messmer, Jr., certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this report on Form 10-Q of Robert Half International Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - (a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - (b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: May 8, 2009

## Certification Pursuant to Rule 13a-14 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

#### I, M. Keith Waddell, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this report on Form 10-Q of Robert Half International Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - (a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - (b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: May 8, 2009

# CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2009 of Robert Half International Inc. (the "Form 10-Q"), I, Harold M. Messmer, Jr., Chief Executive Officer of Robert Half International Inc., certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- 1. The Form 10-Q fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- 2. The information contained in the Form 10-Q fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of Robert Half International Inc.

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906, or other document authenticating, acknowledging, or otherwise adopting the signature that appears in typed form within the electronic version of this written statement required by Section 906, has been provided to Robert Half International Inc. and will be retained by Robert Half International Inc. and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.

/s/ Harold M. Messmer, Jr.

Harold M. Messmer, Jr. Chief Executive Officer Robert Half International Inc.

May 8, 2009

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In connection with the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2009 of Robert Half International Inc. (the "Form 10-Q"), I, M. Keith Waddell, Chief Financial Officer of Robert Half International Inc., certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- 1. The Form 10-Q fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- 2. The information contained in the Form 10-Q fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of Robert Half International Inc.

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906, or other document authenticating, acknowledging, or otherwise adopting the signature that appears in typed form within the electronic version of this written statement required by Section 906, has been provided to Robert Half International Inc. and will be retained by Robert Half International Inc. and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.

/s/ M. Keith Waddell

M. Keith Waddell Chief Financial Officer Robert Half International Inc.

May 8, 2009