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**Senior Medical Device Analyst Shawn Fitz Moves to
Investment Banking and Veteran Chris Cooley Joins Stephens**

(LITTLE ROCK, AR: August 3, 2010) – Brad Eichler, Nik Fiskén, and Kenny Gunderman announced today that Shawn Fitz, Senior Vice President and nationally recognized Senior Equity Analyst, is moving from Stephens Equity Research Department to its Investment Banking group. Mr. Fitz, who spent the last 13 years covering the Medical Device sector, will continue to focus on this group, joining the Life Sciences and Medical Technologies IB team of Managing Directors, Skip Clemmons and Dana Silaski.

Chris Cooley, CFA, an Equity Analyst with 16 years of experience, recently joined Stephens as a Managing Director and will now lead the Medical Device Research team. Mr. Cooley was ranked #1 in 2009 for stock selection by both *The Wall Street Journal* All-Star Annual Analyst Survey and by *StarMine Financial Times* for his work in the medical device and hospital supply sector. Most recently, Mr. Cooley was with FTN Equity Capital Markets for ten years, and previously worked with SunTrust Equitable Securities and Morgan Keegan. Mr. Cooley's previous coverage list is detailed on the next page.

Drew Jones has been promoted to Research Analyst and will continue to work in the Medical Device group. Mr. Jones joined Stephens in 2007 from Morgan Keegan.

“With this strategic move, Stephens Inc. increases its commitment to the healthcare industry, stated Mr. Gunderman. Shawn Fitz's integration with our banking team will expand our knowledge and broaden our skills.” Mr. Fiskén commented, “The addition of an industry veteran like Chris Cooley will elevate the profile and extend the reach of our well-regarded Equity Research team. Altogether, these moves will help us better serve our corporate, individual and institutional clients.”

The Stephens Inc. Healthcare Research group now has four Equity Analysts covering over 40 public companies and we expect to grow this total with the aforementioned additions. In addition to Medical Device Equity Analysts Chris Cooley and Drew Jones, Andreas Dirnagl leads our Healthcare Services Equity Research group and Scott Gleason leads our Diagnostics Equity Research group. For our complete Healthcare coverage list, as well as the roughly 325 companies under coverage in total, please visit www.stephens.com/research.aspx.

Existing Medical Device Coverage List

Align Technology, Inc. (ALGN)
BioSphere Medical, Inc. (BSMD)
Conceptus, Inc. (CPTS)
DexCom, Inc. (DXCM)
Endologix, Inc. (ELGX)
Hologic, Inc. (HOLX)
Insulet Corp. (PODD)
Merit Medical Systems, Inc. (MMSI)
Micrus Endovascular (MEND)
RTI Biologics, Inc. (RTIX)
Sirona Dental Systems, Inc. (SIRO)
STERIS Corp. (STE)
Wright Medical Group, Inc. (WMGI)

Mr. Cooley's Previous Coverage List

Boston Scientific Corp. (BSX)
Cooper Companies (COO)
Edwards Lifesciences Corp. (EW)
Hill-Rom Holdings, Inc. (HRC)
Kinetic Concepts, Inc. (KCI)
LCA-Vision, Inc. (LCAV)
Medtronic, Inc. (MDT)
Solta Medical, Inc. (SLTM)
St. Jude Medical, Inc. (STJ)
Vascular Solutions, Inc. (VASC)

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