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**Raeburn S. Josey Admitted to the New Mexico Bar Association**

**CARLSBAD, N.M., January 13, 2006** – Raeburn S. Josey, associate general counsel for Washington TRU Solutions (WTS), has successfully passed the New Mexico Bar Exam and has been admitted into the New Mexico Bar Association. Members of the association are attorneys who are licensed to practice law in all courts of the State of New Mexico.

“We are very proud to have outstanding attorneys working for WTS at the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) and we congratulate Raeburn on his accomplishment,” says Dick Raaz, WTS president and general manager.

Josey provides legal advice and counsel in the areas of labor, employment and corporate law. He has served in this capacity since January 2000.

Josey relocated to New Mexico from Atlanta, Georgia where he previously worked as a human resources professional before attending Georgia State University Law School. In 1993, he was admitted to the Georgia State Bar Association. He has worked as a lawyer for nearly 14 years.

WTS has managed WIPP for the U.S. Department of Energy for more than 20 years. WTS opened and has safely operated WIPP, the nation’s first permanent geologic repository for defense nuclear waste since 1999. Washington Group International, headquartered in Boise, Idaho, is the parent company of WTS.