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STATE AUDITOR RALPH CAMPBELL ANNOUNCES STAFF ADDITION

State Auditor Ralph Campbell today announced the addition of Dennis Patterson to the staff of the Office of the State Auditor effective Monday, November 20th. Patterson, formerly the chief correspondent for government with the Associated Press in Raleigh, will assume the position of Audit Publications Coordinator. In his new role, Patterson will edit audit reports and work with the audit staff to produce consistent and well-written reports. He will also prepare the agency's annual report, maintain and improve the Internet web site, and act as the first point of contact for media inquiries among other duties.

Said Auditor Campbell, "Dennis' extensive background in writing and editing for public consumption will be an invaluable asset to this organization. In order to accomplish our mission fully, the State Auditor's Office must communicate our work effectively. We are extremely fortunate to have someone with Dennis Patterson's skill to come help us accomplish this."

Dennis Patterson is a native of Grove City, Pa, and a 1971 graduate of Wake Forest University with a degree in English. In 29 years as a journalist, he has worked with for the Winston-Salem Journal, The Charlotte News, the Fayetteville Times, the Boca-Raton News in Florida, The Bladen Journal and as editor of The Robesonian in Lumberton. He joined The Associated Press in 1982 and covered his first legislative session in 1984. He and his wife, Betty, live in Knightdale with their son, John.

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