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## MERRITT HAWKINS PRESIDENT MARK SMITH NAMED TO THE “DALLAS 500”

**President of the nation’s largest physician search firm named to  
the list of the most powerful business leaders in Dallas-Fort  
Worth**

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IRVING, TX – Mark Smith, president of Merritt Hawkins, the nation’s leading physician search and consulting firm and a company of AMN Healthcare (NYSE: AHS), has been named to the “Dallas 500”, a list of the 500 most powerful business executives in Dallas-Fort Worth as compiled by D Magazine.

Mr. Smith has been with Merritt Hawkins virtually since its inception 28 years ago and his selection to this prestigious list underlines Merritt Hawkins’ position as the leader in physician search and consulting. During his career, Mr. Smith has had extensive, front line experience assisting private, non-profit and government healthcare facilities in building and executing physician recruitment and retention plans. He has worked with clients nationwide and with a wide variety of different physicians, including primary care practitioners, surgical, and diagnostic specialists and subspecialists.

Mr. Smith continues to be responsible for strategic planning and operations for the firm, providing both overall strategic direction and daily management of recruiting, personnel and related functions. Mr. Smith is one of the most widely recognized executives in the physician recruiting field. His articles and comments have been published in numerous national publications, including *USA Today*, *Forbes*, *Modern Healthcare*, *Modern Physician*, *American Medical News*, *Medical Economics*, *Hospitals & Health Networks*, and many others.

Mr. Smith is in good company on the “Dallas 500” list with the presidents of Baylor Scott and White, Tenet, UT Southwest, Parkland Hospital, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas, and the Methodist Health System, among other well-known healthcare leaders.

For more information on Mr. Smith and Merritt Hawkins, please visit Merritt Hawkins’ web site at [www.merritthawkins.com](http://www.merritthawkins.com) or call 800-876-0500.

### **About Merritt Hawkins**

Founded in 1987, Merritt Hawkins is the leading physician search and consulting firm in the United States and is a company of AMN Healthcare ([www.amnhealthcare.com](http://www.amnhealthcare.com)), the largest healthcare staffing organization in the country and the innovator of healthcare workforce solutions.

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