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**Deal Sikes & Associates Completes Valuation of Large Portfolio
for Financial Institution in South Texas Bankruptcy Litigation**

HOUSTON, TEXAS, Tuesday, August 16, 2011 — Deal Sikes & Associates, one of the nation's leading real estate valuation and counseling firms, has announced its completion of a valuation of a large commercial real estate portfolio for a national financial institution as part of bankruptcy litigation. The portfolio consisted of properties in South Texas, near the border with Mexico.

The diverse real estate portfolio consisted of 30 properties, with a wide variety of uses and improvements, covering approximately 200 acres of land. The portfolio was the subject of a bankruptcy filing.

“Deal Sikes provides valuation services for a number of significant financial institutions, delivering confidence to lenders about the value of real estate assets,” said Matthew Deal, principal of Deal Sikes & Associates. “As the economy recovers, our firm has been retained by increasing numbers of financial institutions as foreclosures and bankruptcy cases move through the litigation process.”

Deal Sikes & Associates, based in Houston, provides real estate valuation and counseling services for eminent domain initiatives, transactions, estate tax planning, due diligence research and all types of real estate valuation litigation. The principals of Deal Sikes & Associates provide real estate counseling and valuation services for governmental agencies, real estate companies, law firms and corporate clients across the nation.

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