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**THE M&A SOURCE ANNOUNCES NEW CHAIR
JOHN C. JOHNSON, FCBI**

Chicago - The M&A Source, the world's largest association of middle market mergers and acquisitions intermediaries, has named John C. Johnson, FCBI of Bluestem Resources Group in Tulsa, Oklahoma as its chairman for 2002 at the semi-annual conference held October 28 – November 3 in Palm Springs, California.

"It is an honor to be chosen to head this group of select M&A deal makers and advisors," said Johnson. "We have a lot to accomplish this year and I look forward to leading this organization to the next level of professional development and growth."

The M&A Source, a division of the International Business Brokers Association (IBBA), is the world's largest international organization of experienced, dedicated merger and acquisition intermediaries representing the middle market. The Source meets twice yearly for education, networking and to host a middle market buyers' exposition.

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The M&A Source's intermediaries provide specialized advisory services to business owners who are selling or acquiring businesses with values exceeding \$1 million. The Source was established in 1991 to address the professional issues of merger and acquisition professionals. This organization currently has more than 228 cooperative intermediaries across the United States and around the world. For further information, contact Mark Putnam, Executive Director at 312.245.1550 or via e-mail at mputnam@ibba.org.

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