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Dianne H. Lamberth Becomes President of White River Health System Board of Directors

Batesville, Ark. - Dianne H. Lamberth has been elected as the President of the White River Health System Board of Directors. Lamberth succeeds Leslie Frensley who served in that capacity since January 2001. Other Officers include Charlie Schaaf, Vice President, Stan Townsend, Treasurer and Connie Schirmer, Secretary. Frensley will continue to serve as a member of the Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors is the governing body of White River Health System, a multi-facility not-for-profit organization serving North Central Arkansas. Directors are community leaders responsible for setting policy and direction for the organization. Directors receive no compensation for their service on the Board.

“It is my pleasure to welcome Dianne as the new President of the WRHS Board of Directors”, said Gary L. Bebow, Administrator/CEO. “I know that she will serve the Board with distinction as Les has throughout his service to our organization.”

Lamberth earned Bachelors and Masters Degrees in Education from the University of Arkansas. She worked in the Washington office of Senator Dale Bumpers and as an instructor at Lyon College. Currently, she is a partner in Atlas Asphalt, Inc., White River Materials, Inc., and The Course at Eagle Mountain.

Lamberth is active in many civic and community organizations. She is a member of the Lyon College Board of Trustees, White River Health System Foundation Board of Directors, and First Community Bank Board of Directors. She is the past chair of the University of Arkansas Community College at Batesville Board of Visitors. Additionally, Lamberth has served on the Boards of the Batesville Area Chamber of Commerce, Arkansas Food Bank, Independence County Economic Development Foundation, Independence County Education Foundation, Batesville Parks and Recreation Commission, Week Day Ministries of the First United Methodist Church and as an associate member of the Committee of One Hundred for the Ozark Folk Center.

She is married to Mark H. Lamberth, Vice President of Atlas Asphalt in Batesville. The Lamberth's have two children; Lance Lamberth and Lauren Lamberth Patterson and son-in-law David. They have three granddaughters; Caroline, Scarlett and Virginia Patterson.

Other members of the White River Health System Board of Directors are Steve Alexander, M.D., J.R. Baker, M.D., Woody Castleberry, Boris Dover, Gerald Meacham, Charles Osborne, Doyle W. Rogers, Sr., Carl Shaver, Noel K. "Curly" Sims, Jim Stalker, M.D. and James Mack Street. Ex-officio members include Gary Bebow, FACHE, Administrator/CEO, Dick Bernard, Margaret Kuykendall, M.D., John Lambert, M.D., Catherine Langston, D.O., Gayle Thompson and James Zini, D.O. Directors Emeritus include Elmer Cochran, Sr., Jim Kilgore and Betty Massey.