

BBSI Promotes Gregory Vaughn to Chief Administrative Officer

VANCOUVER, WA -- (MARKET WIRE) -- 02/21/12 -- Barrett Business Services, Inc. (BBSI) (NASDAQ: BBSI), a leading provider of business management solutions, announced the promotion of Gregory Vaughn from vice president to the newly created role of chief administrative officer, effective immediately.

"Greg has been with BBSI since 1997 and has played an integral role in the evolution of our company as well as the design and build of most of BBSI's internal systems," said Michael Elich, president and CEO of BBSI. "In his new position, Greg will oversee crucial technical and administrative systems as well as assume responsibility for the continuous alignment of branch operating methods with organizational resources and corporate policies. We believe his efforts will continue to improve the efficiency and performance of the organization as we look to further build upon a successful 2011. We congratulate Greg on this well-deserved promotion."

About BBSI

BBSI (NASDAQ: BBSI) is a leading provider of business management solutions, combining human resource outsourcing and professional management consulting to create a unique operational platform that differentiates it from competitors. The company's integrated platform is built upon expertise in payroll processing, employee benefits, workers' compensation coverage, risk management and workplace safety programs, and human resource administration. BBSI's partnerships help businesses of all sizes improve the efficiency of their operations. BBSI works with more than 3,000 clients across all lines of business in 23 states. For more information, please visit <u>www.barrettbusiness.com</u>.

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