

Virtual Properties Realty, Inc. announced the promotion of Angie Mezza-Smith to Qualifying Broker, effective July 1, 2008. She will continue to be a resource to the agents in all matters of real estate and will provide training to continually raise the standard of practice of all Virtual Properties agents. A contributing member of the Georgia Association of Realtors (GAR) Forms Committee, Angie has taught hundreds of agents how to understand and properly use the various GAR Contracts and related forms. She brings clarification and enthusiasm to the subject of Contracts and is committed to teaching agents how to practice real estate with correct knowledge and more confidence.

"Angie has been a key part of our success, and we were thrilled to promote her to this important position," said Steve Wagner and Karen Burks, Co-Owners of Virtual Properties. Mezza-Smith joined the company at its inception in 1999 as Licensed Assistant to the Owners, mother-and-son partners. She was instrumental in the creation and growth of the firm and quickly rose to supervisory and management positions, including Managing Broker.

Additionally, Virtual Properties Plus announces the promotion of Fran Bean to Qualifying Broker. A Gwinnett County resident since 1984, Fran obtained her real estate license in August 1993 and her broker's license in 2004. She has earned the CRS®, Certified Residential Specialist® and the ABR®, Accredited Buyer Representative® Designations. In 2006 she was presented with the Phoenix Award by NAMAR. Fran also serves as a volunteer with Meals on Wheels.