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Regions Hires Mark Hardison as Managing Director for the Regions Healthcare Group

BIRMINGHAM, Ala.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Regions Bank today announced that Mark Hardison has joined the Healthcare group as Managing Director with an emphasis on covering clients and prospects across the entire healthcare platform. Hardison will report to John Barton, Executive Vice President of Regions Bank, Executive Managing Director of Regions Securities LLC and group head of Healthcare.

"Regions is committed to the broad array of sub sectors in the healthcare vertical and Mark will help us expand our commitment to the platform," said Barton. "We are excited to add client coverage professionals who have established healthcare relationships and significant industry experience across debt and equity capital markets."

After a stint in investment banking and a healthcare start up, Hardison spent 12 years with the healthcare group at Bank of America where he honed his skills in credit products, leveraged finance and debt and equity capital markets. Hardison earned his MBA from Owen School of Management at Vanderbilt University and his BA from the University of North Carolina.

Regions is a recognized market leader in middle-market and small to mid-cap healthcare and tax-exempt financing. Regions' dedicated Healthcare bankers bring deep industry knowledge, experience, insight and understanding to support clients' growth and development. Regions' relationship-oriented approach offers for-profit, not-for-profit, and private equity sponsors the senior level focus and attention necessary to achieve innovative solutions, seamless execution, and timely, professional service.

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