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Charleston County Awarded for Excellence in Financial Reporting for 21st Year

Charleston County Assistant Controller also receives award

[The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada](#) has awarded its [Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting](#) to [Charleston County Government](#) for its [2008 fiscal year Comprehensive Annual Financial Report](#).

The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in governmental accounting and financial reporting in the U.S.

Charleston County Assistant Controller Carla D. Ritter, CPA, CGFO, was also recognized with the Award of Financial Reporting Achievement for her role in preparing the award-winning financial report. Ritter has been employed with Charleston County for eight years.

“The County’s Comprehensive Annual Financial Report is a team effort involving several departments and led by the Controller’s Office,” Ritter said. “We are honored to receive this award for the 21st consecutive year, and we will continue to strive each year to perfect our reporting.”

The Charleston County Comprehensive Annual Financial Report was judged by a panel of financial experts to meet the high standards of the program, including demonstrating a constructive “spirit of full disclosure” to clearly communicate the county’s financial story and motivate potential users to read the report.

“The public should recognize the significance of these awards,” said Teddie Pryor, Charleston County Council Chairman. “They can see first-hand how Charleston County Government staff believes in transparency and goes the extra mile to efficiently provide services to our citizens.”

The Government Finance Officers Association is a non-profit professional association that serves approximately 16,000 government finance professionals.

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