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**Local Financial Professional Recognized for Top Performance
By Prestigious Industry Group**

Raleigh, North Carolina (January 7, 2008) Financial professional, Scott D. Sorrell, affiliated with John Hancock's Mid Atlantic Agency in Raleigh, was recently recognized as a top performer by qualifying for membership into the Million Dollar Roundtable (MDRT). Considered a premier industry association of financial professionals, the MDRT is an international network of leading insurance and investment financial services professionals or advisors who serve their clients by exemplary performance and the highest standards of ethics, knowledge, service and productivity.

According to Robert Turner, Managing Partner of the Mid Atlantic Agency, a full-service financial services firm located in Raleigh, North Carolina, membership in the MDRT is an exclusive honor that is achieved only by a small percentage of all life insurance and financial services advisors worldwide. This is Sorrell's second consecutive qualifying year into the Million Dollar Roundtable.

"I am extremely proud of Scott for achieving this level of success and professionalism in his career and am pleased to have him as part of our team here at the John Hancock Mid Atlantic Agency. It is truly a tribute to his hard-work and dedication to client service," continued Robert Turner.

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