

Russell Bedford Boston member firm, Rucci Bardaro & Barrett, expands through merger

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Malden-based CPA firm Rucci Bardaro & Barrett (RBB), the Boston member of the worldwide Russell Bedford accounting network, has merged with Mathias Barnes & Henshaw in nearby Lexington, MA.

The merger combines the two firms' client rosters and personnel under the RBB banner, and increases the number of RBB offices in New England to three. RBB's partner group has also expanded to five with the addition of Roy Henshaw – a founder and managing partner of MBH – as a partner of RBB.

Both firms describe the merger as a 'perfect fit'. In addition to financial statements and tax returns, the expanded practice will continue to provide tax planning services and business advice to entrepreneurs and privately held companies. The expansion also adds agriculture as a practice niche to existing service specialties in the real estate, retail, medical and professional services sectors.

The partners expect that the combined entity will retain many of the benefits of a smaller firm, while at the same time providing the added expertise and manpower to compete with larger CPA firms.

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