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SBA Names Albany Business Owner 2012 *Women in Business* Champion of the Year for Georgia and the Southeast

ATLANTA – Judy Randle, Owner and President of Central Monitoring, Inc. of Albany, Georgia has been named the Small Business Administration's (SBA) 2012 Women in Business Champion of the Year for both Georgia and SBA's Southeast Region IV. This award recognizes her for her commitment to the advancement of women's business ownership. She was nominated by Debbie Finney of the Georgia Small Business Development Center in Albany.

The award recognizes Randle for her commitment and countless hours of support to help women in business, legislative action designed to help small business, and her volunteer efforts to assist women business owners within the community. Judy Randle has made an incredible difference toward improving the environment for women in business.

A native of Colquitt County, Georgia, Randle moved to Albany in 1980 after completing her degree at the University of Georgia. Within three years she launched a telephone answering service that evolved into Central Monitoring Inc.; a company she has since grown from three employees and 300 accounts to 31 employees and 12,000 accounts in 14 states.

In addition to her legislative advocacy, Randle is one of only five women in 100 years elected to chair the Albany Chamber of Commerce. She has served on the Georgia Small Business Development Center Advisory Board, she is a current member and past president of the Dougherty County Rotary, and is a current member and past president of Women in Network, a local organization of women who support each other in their careers.

Judy is an ongoing supporter of Darton College's Professional Women's Forum and serves as a Legacy Lady for the Turner Job Corp Endowment program. In every capacity, Judy is a positive role model for women and what they can achieve in business.

Randle was recognized at a luncheon hosted by the Georgia Lender Quality Circle in Atlanta on May 16. Other Georgia Small Business Week winners are: Small Business Persons of the Year, Laura Darnall and Lois Judy, Co-Owners of Candy Craft Creations of Garden City; Financial Services Champion, Colby Cardin of Columbus; Exporter of the Year, Paresh Vyas, President of SKAPS Industries of Athens; and Susan Taylor, owner of Taylor Services of Macon; Family Owned Business of the Year.

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