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**University of St. Thomas Names Jeremy Heallen as
Faculty Advisor to *The Cauldron* Student Newspaper**

HOUSTON (July 3, 2008) – The University of St. Thomas named Jeremy Heallen as faculty advisor to *The Cauldron*, the University student newspaper. Heallen has been a licensed attorney since 2003, and practices law in Houston, full-time for Craig and Heallen, L.L.P. In 2004, he began teaching pre-law courses at the University of St. Thomas as an adjunct professor. In that capacity, he advises aspiring law students and assists with coaching the UST mock trial team.

As the faculty advisor to *The Cauldron*, Heallen will supervise students and provide professional expertise in news writing, editing, layout, and production. He will also assist students in formulating a budget for the paper, a schedule of publication, and recruits the paper's staff.

“We expect *The Cauldron*, to be an exemplar of 21st century journalism, whose editors and staff gain actual-world experience in bringing to press a high-quality newspaper, responsive to the needs of the UST community and also to the wider Houston community of which it is an integral part,” said Dr. Dominic Aquila, dean of the School of Arts and Sciences.

Heallen graduated with a bachelor's degree in journalism from Sam Houston State University in 1999. While a student at Sam Houston State, he served as editor-in-chief of the student newspaper, *The Houstonian*. His experiences with *The Houstonian* include collaboration on an investigative series, which led to the arrest of an alleged serial rapist and writing a first-hand account as a witness to the execution of a Texas death row inmate.

Heallen's undergraduate studies concluded with a three-month summer internship at the national headquarters of CBS News in New York City for then news anchor, Dan Rather. From 1999 to 2000, Heallen worked in the state press office for former Texas Attorney General John Cornyn. Heallen then entered law school at the University of Houston, earning his law degree in 2003. As a law student, he served as Recent Developments Editor for *The Journal of Texas Consumer Law*.

“The goal of a good student newspaper is to equip student writers with the tools necessary to succeed in the profession,” Heallen said. “I am honored to be given the opportunity to work with these future journalists.”

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