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Brown Smith Wallace expanding to Metro East

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Accounting firm [Brown Smith Wallace](#) LLC has opened its third office, leasing more than 4,500 square feet of office space at 2220 S. State Route 157 in Glen Carbon.

The office, which opened Dec. 15, is expected to generate more than \$1 million in revenue. The firm invested \$250,000 in the buildout and has an option to double the space.

"Southern Illinois is a vital part of the St. Louis metro area, home to many successful organizations and talented professionals," said **Harvey Wallace**, managing member of Brown Smith Wallace. "Our expanded presence there affords new convenience to our clients and employees, and represents our continued investment in the growth of our firm."

The expansion builds off the 2009 acquisition of Qualified Plan Services of Highland by Benefit Plans Plus, a retirement plan design and consulting affiliate of Brown Smith Wallace. Benefit Plans Plus maintains eight full-time employees at the Illinois office, and Brown Smith Wallace will initially host two to 12 staff members at the location.

Brown Smith Wallace is the sixth-largest St. Louis area accounting firm, ranked by number of professionals, with 177 locally, according to Business Journal research.

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