

## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting Awarded to Collier County Clerk of the Circuit Court Finance and Accounting Department**

Dwight E. Brock, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Collier County announced today that the *Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting* has been awarded to the Collier County Clerk of the Circuit Court's Department of Finance and Accounting by the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) of the United States and Canada.

The Clerk's Office received this award because of its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) submitted for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008. The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management. The Clerk's Office has been recognized by receiving this award for 23 consecutive years.

The CAFR was judged by an impartial panel to meet the high standards of the program including demonstrating a constructive "*spirit of full disclosure*" to clearly communicate its financial story and motivate potential users and user groups to read the CAFR.

The Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) of the United States and Canada is a non-profit professional association serving 17,500 government finance professionals with offices in Chicago, IL and Washington, DC.

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