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## Orange County Business Journal's Best Places to Work of 2009

Universal Services of America Ranked Within Top Five Workplaces

**SANTA ANA, California (September 25, 2009)** – Universal Services of America, the largest provider of security services to the commercial real estate market in Arizona, California, Colorado and Washington, placed within Orange County Business Journal's top five places to work list in the large company division. The award, divided into three categories based on the number of employees, honors outstanding employers whose staff love to come to work everyday. The Best Places to Work 2009 award recognizes leading workplaces in Orange County and is given based on surveys from the company's employees. Companies with excellent communication and respect for their employees topped the list, and were honored by the Orange County Business Journal for their ability to help minimize the impact of a rough economy.

"It's an honor to have worked for Universal all these years," said Laurel Garcia, Office Manager and employee for 28 years at Universal Services of America. "It's been a pleasure to watch our company turn from a small business into the thriving corporation it is today."

Employees were asked to rate their companies based on categories such as fairness, flexibility, benefits and values. Universal knows employees are the cornerstone to their continued success and views them as their most valuable assets. Universal's benefits, training programs, contests and profit-sharing plans are all part of the packages their employees receive. The Orange County Business Journal's Best Places to Work of 2009 award is an honor that Universal is proud to accept.

"Our company is where it is today because of the dedicated, hard working employees who make it possible," said Brian Cescolini, Co-CEO/Chairman of Universal Services of America. "Our team participates in decisions, which makes it fun for me to watch them help each other grow and prosper within our great company."

"It's exciting to participate in a recognition program where your employee's feedback determines your success," said Steve Jones, Co-CEO/Chief Operating Officer of Universal Services of America. "We continue to strive for new and innovative ways to reward and recognize our team's hard work and accomplishments."

For additional workplace news, go to <http://www.universalpro.com/SecurityUpdates.html>

### About Universal Services of America

Founded in 1965, **Universal Services of America** combines tradition with advanced technology to provide clients unmatched security protection, systems, fire/life safety and building maintenance services. Universal provides a full range of building services throughout Arizona, California, Colorado and Washington, and includes Universal Protection Service, Universal Building Maintenance, Universal Protection Security Systems and Universal Fire/Life Safety Services. (State Licenses: 1003458, 14417, 1025514, 0600, 58361). Visit us at: <http://www.universalpro.com>.