

ASHTON-TATE NEWS

ASHTON-TATE NAMES DI GIOVANNI VICE PRESIDENT, MIS

TORRANCE, Calif., February 3, 1987 -- Ashton-Tate today announced the appointment of Richard F. Di Giovanni as vice president, management information systems.

Di Giovanni, 42, will oversee all aspects of Ashton-Tate's worldwide MIS functions and activities. In addition to his duties in the MIS division, Di Giovanni also serves as acting general manager of Ashton-Tate's Systems, Service and Information Division, a post he has held since October 1986. Both positions report to Luther Nussbaum, Ashton-Tate's president and chief operating officer.

"Rich's expertise in MIS functions and his skills as an administrator are directly responsible for the growth and smooth operation of Ashton-Tate's MIS department," said Nussbaum. "I am very pleased to have someone of Rich's capabilities on the senior management team."

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Prior to joining Ashton-Tate in 1985 as director, MIS, Di Giovanni spent 20 years working in the film industry in an MIS capacity. In 1983, Di Giovanni joined Columbia Pictures as director of production systems where he was responsible for all MIS activities for the company's theatrical, television, financial and production divisions. He held similar positions at Twentieth Century Fox and Metro Goldwyn Mayer.

Di Giovanni is a graduate of St. John University with a B.S. in marketing.

Ashton-Tate is the second-largest developer and marketer of business applications software for microcomputers. Its products include dBASE III PLUS, RapidFile, MultiMate Advantage, Framework II and the MASTER-GRAPHICS Series.

For the first nine months of fiscal 1987 ended October 31, 1986, Ashton-Tate reported net income of \$19.5 million on revenues of \$147.9 million, increases of 83.4 percent and 84.9 percent respectively, from the same period last year.

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