
*HOUSTON'S SMITH GRAHAM
WRAPS ROLLOUT OF PORTIA,
REPLACING OLD PIMS PACKAGE*

SMITH Graham & Co. is putting the finishing touches on its rollout of Thomson Financial Services Inc.'s Portia portfolio management and accounting system. The Houston-based investment manager finalized its selection of Portia in late February to support some \$1.9 billion in assets under management. Smith Graham chose the Microsoft Corp. Windows-based version of Portia to manage and account for a portfolio consisting primarily of domestic fixed-income securities.

Sometime during the first quarter last year, officials at Smith Graham decided the time had come to replace the firm's existing system. According to senior vice president Jamie House, the portfolio accounting system Smith Graham had installed in 1990—a software package marketed by Orlando, Fla.-based Portfolio Analytics and Management Systems Inc. called PIMS—no longer fit the bill. “We were really looking to