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Advertising firm headed to Uptown area of Dallas

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The 17Seventeen McKinney tower is more than 60 percent leased.

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An Irving advertising and marketing firm is moving its offices to Dallas' Uptown district.

Ackerman McQueen is renting 25,400 square feet of space in the new 17Seventeen McKinney tower, officials with developer Granite Properties confirm.

The company, which also has offices in Oklahoma City, Tulsa, Okla., Colorado Springs, Colo., and Washington, D.C. — has clients including Chesapeake Energy, Lone Star Park and WinStar World Casino.

Ackerman McQueen, which has been in business since 1939, is currently in the Summit at Las Colinas building at 545 E. John Carpenter Freeway.

The firm is the second Las Colinas company to pick 17Seventeen McKinney for a new location recently.

Consultant Bain & Co. recently rented two floors in the building and moved from Williams Square.

Number of Texans late on home loans rises

The number of Texans who are late with their mortgage payments increased slightly in the second quarter.

At the end of June, 7.77 percent of homeowners with loans in the state had missed at least one payment, the Washington, D.C.-based Mortgage Bankers Association said in its regular report released Thursday.

That's up from first-quarter delinquencies but remains below the 8.43 percent late loan rate in second quarter 2011.

Nationwide, home loan late payment rates in the second quarter were 7.35 percent, also slightly higher than in the first quarter.

Texas ranked 19th in the country in late loan payments.