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Wilmington Trust Continues Expansion of Wealth Advisory Services in Atlanta

Five new hires added to growing team

Atlanta, GA, December 9, 2009 – Wilmington Trust, one of the nation's leading wealth management companies, announced today that it has added five professionals to its growing team in Atlanta. The new hires come on the heels of the addition of three executives last month, led by D. Jack Sawyer Jr., who was named president of the Southeast for Wilmington Trust FSB and head of the company's Wealth Advisory Services (WAS) business in the region.

"With more than a century of experience and many client relationships that span generations in affluent families, the Wilmington Trust corporate family is well-positioned to serve high-net-worth clients and institutional investors in Atlanta and the Southeast," said Mr. Sawyer. "Bringing such experienced and talented wealth advisors into our company at this time underscores our commitment to serve clients in Atlanta and throughout the Southeast. We plan to continue building our team in the coming weeks and months."

Wilmington Trust's newly hired professionals in Atlanta are Donna G. Barwick, JD, CFP®, vice president and senior fiduciary officer; Rebecca S. Bily, event planning coordinator and marketing representative; Cheryl L. Fairbanks, assistant vice president and senior client services officer; Jared B. Milbury, vice president and senior private client advisor; and William B. Schwartz, III, vice president and senior private client advisor.

Ms. Barwick joins Wilmington Trust from BNY Mellon Wealth Management in Atlanta, where she served as a senior director advising individuals and families on wealth planning and estate planning strategies. Earlier in her career, she was with The Arden Group, an Atlanta-based wealth manager founded by Mr. Sawyer. She also served as a partner at the law firms of Troutman, Sanders, Lockerman & Ashmore and Lefkoff, Duncan, Miller, Grimes, Miller & Barwick in Atlanta. She was also a senior manager with Ernst & Young in the city. Ms. Barwick holds undergraduate and law degrees from the University of Georgia and is a graduate of The Westminster Schools. A Certified Financial Planner®, Ms. Barwick is a fellow of the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel, a member of the International Academy of Estate and Trust Law, a former chair of the Fiduciary Law Section of the State Bar of Georgia, and a former chair for the Certified Financial Planner Board of Standards. Ms. Barwick is also a member of the Atlanta Estate Planning Council and is active in the Real Property Probate and Trust Law Section of the American Bar Association. Among her community service activities, Ms. Barwick is on the Director's Circle at The Atlanta History Center and the endowment fund board of The Junior League of Atlanta.

Ms. Bily comes to Wilmington Trust from BNY Mellon in Atlanta. She will serve as an event planner and marketing representative while also providing administrative support to senior staff. Prior to her financial services career, Ms. Bily spent 10 years in the hospitality industry. She is a graduate of Berry College and is on the Junior Board of the Atlanta Humane Society and on the planning committee for Zoo Atlanta's 2010 Jazzoo, an annual fundraising event.

Ms. Fairbanks joins Wilmington Trust from BNY Mellon in Atlanta, where she was a portfolio officer. Earlier, she worked for Jones and Kolb, CPAs in Atlanta. Ms. Fairbanks holds the Certified Trust Fiduciary Advisor (CTFA) professional credential and attended Southern Polytechnic State University. She volunteers for several local school, sports, and community-service programs, including Families First in Atlanta.

Mr. Milbury comes to Wilmington Trust from Northwestern Mutual in Atlanta, where he was a managing director. He was also an attorney with the Atlanta law firms of Parker Hudson Rainer & Dobbs and King & Spalding. Mr. Milbury holds a law degree from Mercer University and an undergraduate degree from the University of Georgia. He also completed a law program at Oxford University in England. In the community, Mr. Milbury is a board member with Friends of Atlanta Youth Academy and with the Atlanta Counseling Center. He serves as a volunteer for the International Justice Mission and is a youth leader at the Lovett School.

Mr. Schwartz joins Wilmington Trust from BNY Mellon in Atlanta, where he was a senior director of business development. Prior to that, Mr. Schwartz spent 27 years with Wachovia Bank and its acquired OFFITBANK, where he was senior vice president and managing director of the Private Client Group. He was also a senior advisor for the Jewish Federation of Greater Atlanta and a senior vice president with Rockefeller & Company in Atlanta, where he established the firm's local office. Mr. Schwartz is a veteran of the Vietnam Conflict and served from 1979 to 1981 as a member of the President's Commission on Executive Exchange at The White House. He is a graduate of the University of North Carolina and The Westminster Schools. Mr. Schwartz is a trustee and treasurer of the Chatham Valley Foundation and a board member of Children's Healthcare of Atlanta Foundation. He also serves the Anti-Defamation League and the Piedmont Hospital Board of Visitors and is chairman and treasurer of the Camp Sunshine Supporting Fund, Inc. Mr. Schwartz is a former board member of the Alliance Theatre and the Atlanta Chapter of the American Jewish Committee.

Wilmington Trust's Wealth Advisory Services business offers a comprehensive array of personal trust, financial planning, fiduciary, asset management, and family office services that help high-net-worth individuals and families grow, preserve, and transfer wealth. It maintains 21 offices throughout the United States and focuses on serving families with whom it can build long-term relationships, many of which span multiple generations.

Wilmington Trust Corporation (NYSE: WL) is a financial services holding company that provides Regional Banking services throughout the mid-Atlantic region, Wealth Advisory Services for high-net-worth clients in 36 countries, and Corporate Client Services for institutional clients in 88 countries. Its wholly owned bank subsidiary, Wilmington Trust Company, which was founded in 1903, is one of the largest personal trust providers in the United States and the leading retail and commercial bank in Delaware. Wilmington Trust Corporation and its affiliates have offices in Arizona, California, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Nevada, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Vermont, the Cayman Islands, the Channel Islands, London, Dublin, Frankfurt, Luxembourg, and Amsterdam.

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