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Wilmington Trust Adds to Wealth Management Team in Atlanta

Jeffrey Diff Ritchie and Daniel J. Gardner join Atlanta team

Atlanta, GA, March 8, 2010 – Wilmington Trust, one of the nation’s leading wealth management companies, announced today that it has hired Jeffrey Diff Ritchie, vice president and senior investment advisor, and Daniel J. Gardner, vice president and senior family governance specialist, in the company’s Wealth Advisory Services (WAS) business in the Southeast region. Both will work in the Atlanta office of Wilmington Trust FSB, which has added 18 wealth advisory professionals in the past three months.

“Our commitment is to provide the wealth management industry’s premier team of advisors in Atlanta and the Southeast,” said D. Jack Sawyer, president of the Southeast region for Wilmington Trust FSB. “The hiring of Diff and Dan represents another significant step in that direction.”

Mr. Ritchie joins Wilmington Trust with more than two decades of experience in the financial services industry. Most recently, he was a director with a multifamily office, where he developed, executed, and monitored investment strategies for high-net-worth clients. Mr. Ritchie has lived and worked in London, Tokyo, and New York for Swiss Bank Corporation, Citicorp, and Paine Webber. He has extensive experience with both the U.S. domestic and international markets working with equities, fixed income, foreign exchange, and alternative assets. He holds an MBA from the Kenan-Flagler Business School at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill and a bachelor’s degree from North Carolina State University.

Mr. Gardner joins Wilmington Trust with more than a decade of experience in family governance. He most recently served as director of Family Governance and Education with a multifamily office in Atlanta. His focus is on providing families with the structure needed to manage their family dynamics and business affairs effectively. His responsibilities include multigenerational leadership and talent development, legacy planning, succession planning, and facilitating family communication, with an emphasis on establishing family mission statements and ethical wills. Earlier in his career, Mr. Gardner was a management consultant, speaker, educator, and mentor to youth and families in Florida and Georgia. He is a graduate of Geneva College, holds the Certified Wealth Mentor designation, and serves as a board member of The Atlanta Resource Foundation. Mr. Gardner also regularly conducts leadership forums among business professionals.

Wilmington Trust's WAS business offers a comprehensive array of personal trust, wealth planning, fiduciary, asset management, and family office services that help clients grow, preserve, and transfer wealth. WAS maintains 20 offices throughout the United States and serves families with whom it can build long-term relationships, including many that have lasted for several 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 to high-net-worth clients in 36 countries, and Corporate Client services to institutional clients in 89 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. For more information, visit www.wilmingtontrust.com.

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