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Silver Bridge Advisors Expands Business with Mid-Atlantic Office and Establishment of Delaware Trust Company

Benjamin J. Ledyard, Veteran Wealth Advisor and Former Managing Director of the Wilmington Trust Company, Joins Boston-based Wealth Advisory Boutique

BOSTON, MA (September 14, 2009) – Silver Bridge, an independent, objective, wealth advisory boutique that provides thoughtful, integrated wealth management solutions, announces the appointment of Benjamin J. Ledyard as the Regional Director for the Mid-Atlantic and the Director of Wealth Strategies for the firm.

Mr. Ledyard joins Silver Bridge from Wilmington Trust Company ("WTC"), where he previously served as a managing director and senior private client advisor of the Wealth Advisory division, Director of the Wealth Strategies Team and Regional Director of the Wilmington Family Office, the multi-family office subsidiary of WTC.

As Regional Director of the Mid-Atlantic, Ledyard will report to Stephen Prostano, President and Chief Operating Officer at Silver Bridge, and Thomas Manning, Chief Investment Officer of the firm. He will be responsible for expanding the firm's wealth advisory services to the Mid-Atlantic region and establishing a Delaware trust office to offer the "Delaware Trust Advantage" to the firm's clients nationally.

"As Director of Wealth Strategies for Silver Bridge, Ben brings a proven track record of creating, implementing, and managing sophisticated wealth planning strategies for high-net-worth individuals and families, " says Prostano.

"As a well-respected investment professional, Ben's appointment is consistent with Silver Bridge's goal to provide our clients with the highest level of personalized service and validates our ability to continue to attract top industry talent," says Manning. "He will be an enormous asset as we expand into the Mid-Atlantic region."

Named as one of *Worth* magazine's "Top 100 Wealth Advisors" for years 2004, 2005 and 2007, and most recently as "Top Wealth Advisor" by *Washington Life Magazine's* 2009 Wealth Roundtable, Ledyard is a frequent speaker on a range of wealth management topics for national and international wealth management and multi-family office conferences, including the Family Office Exchange, the Institute for Private Investors and the NMS Family Office Exchange. He has also been featured as an expert in many high-profile publications including the *Wall Street Journal, the New York Times, Investor's Business Daily, the Dow Jones Newswire, Forbes, Worth* and *Fortune*.

"Having come from larger institutions, I am deeply impressed with the entrepreneurial spirit that permeates the Silver Bridge culture, the firm's independent and sustainable business model, and the significant investments made in its technology, operations and reporting platform," explains Ledyard. "I'm excited to have the opportunity to build out the firm's Delaware presence and expand the reach of Silver Bridge's thoughtful, integrated advice and exceptional client service."

Ledyard received his law degree from the Widener University School of Law and received a BA in Sociology from the University of Delaware. He is a member of the Pennsylvania Bar Association, the American Bar Association, the National Association of Securities Dealer, the Estate Planning Council of Delaware, and the Wilmington Tax Group. He also serves as the Chair of the Planned Giving Committee of Tatnall School and the Planned Giving Committee of the Brandywine River Museum.

About Silver Bridge Advisors

For more than 80 years, Silver Bridge has been focused on keeping clients one step ahead of tomorrow's challenges by bridging time-tested principles with a contemporary approach to planning. As an independent wealth management boutique with employee ownership, our advisors' interests are aligned with our clients' needs. We offer objective, thoughtful advice and customized solutions that integrate each individual's or family's investment, philanthropic, tax, and wealth transfer objectives. All investment advisory services are provided through Silver Bridge Capital Management, LLC, a registered investment advisor and affiliate of Silver Bridge Advisors, LLC. For more information about Silver Bridge Advisors, please visit us at http://www.silverbridgeadvisors.com.