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ASSOCIATION FOR CORPORATE GROWTH (ACG) ANNOUNCES 2012-2013 GLOBAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

29 March 2012: CHICAGO—The Association for Corporate Growth[®] (ACG), the global organization focused on driving middle-market growth, selected new officers and directors to serve on the Global Board of Directors for 2012-2013.

Chuck Morton, partner at Venable LLP and co-chair of the firm's nationally active Corporate Group, will serve as the 2012-2013 Board Chairman after serving as Vice Chairman. Mr. Morton succeeds the 2011-2012 Chairman, Andrew Rice, senior vice president, international at The Jordan Company in Chicago who will become ACG's Immediate Past Chairman.

"Surpassing 14,000 members and launching the ACG Middle-Market Growth Policy Summit are two of the major accomplishment's we've been fortunate enough to achieve in the last year," said Rice. "I know Chuck and the next group of leaders will capitalize on this momentum to continue to meet and anticipate member needs well into the future."

"In the coming year, I am confident that we will build on the successes of the last few years," said Morton. "I look forward to the opportunity to continue working with the other volunteer leaders and ACG staff to deliver more value to ACG members."

In addition, Pamela Hendrickson, chief operating officer for The Riverside Company, ACG New York has been elected ACG 2012-2013 Vice Chairman. She will succeed Morton as 2013-2014 Board Chairman.

Additionally, the following officers will serve a one (1) year term:

- Jim Marra, Blue Point Capital Partners, ACG Cleveland Chairman of InterGrowth 2013
- Les Alexander, Fairway Capital, ACG Louisiana Chairman of Finance
- Penny Larsen, Links Financial, ACG Tampa Bay Corporate Secretary

The following Directors at Large have been elected to serve three (3) year terms:

- Mike Ehlert, Capital One Leverage Finance Corp., ACG Dallas
- Brian Gilbreath, Merrill Corporation, ACG Nebraska
- Richard Jaffe, Duane Morris LLP, ACG Philadelphia
- Tom Washbush, Benesch Friedlander Coplan & Aronoff, LLP, ACG Columbus

Durant (Randy) Schwimmer, The Carlisle Group, ACG New York will complete the two years remaining in the term of Pam Hendrickson as Director At Large, created by her nomination as Vice Chairman.

The following Chapter Representative Directors were chosen by their chapters to serve a three (3) year term ending August 31, 2015:

- Roy Graham, Corporate Finance Associates, ACG Central Texas
- Bradford Adams, TM Capital, ACG Boston
- Patricia King, Avondale Partners, ACG Tennessee
- Steven Peterson, Brass Ring Capital Inc., ACG Wisconsin
- Hans-Josef Vogel, Beiten Burkhardt, ACG Rhein-Ruhr



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The following members will continue to serve on the ACG board:

Chapter Representative Directors:

- Robert Burns, Lazard Middle Market, ACG Minnesota
- J.B. Dollison, Crutchfield Capital Corp., ACG Houston
- W. Braun Jones, WWC Capital Group, ACG National Capital
- Brian Moll, Polsinelli Shughart PC, ACG Arizona
- Joel Rosenthal, Schneider Downs & Co., ACG Pittsburgh

Director At Large:

- Patti Gillenwater, Elinvar, ACG Raleigh Durham
- Cory Mims, ICV Capital Partners, ACG New York
- Steve Prostor, Citi Private Bank, ACG New York
- Ken Berryman, CapitalSouth Partners, ACG Kentucky
- Frank Mack, AS Capital Partners, ACG Chicago

ACG President & CEO Gary A. LaBranche, CAE, will continue to serve as an ex-officio, non-voting member of the Board and Executive Committee.

ACG members interested in Board service were invited to apply for consideration in the fall of 2011. Applicants were reviewed by the Nominating Committee and elected by the ACG Board of Directors. ACG members will again have the opportunity to apply for Board service in the fall of 2012.

The ACG Global Board of Directors serves without compensation and is responsible for the overall governance and oversight of the Association for Corporate Growth.

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About Association for Corporate Growth

ACG's 14,000 members include professionals from private equity firms, corporations and lenders that invest in middle-market companies, as well as from law, accounting, investment banking and other firms that provide advisory services. Founded in 1954, ACG is a global organization with 56 chapters. Learn more at <u>www.acg.org</u>. ACG drives middle market growth. Learn how at <u>www.middlemarketgrowth.org</u>.