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## **CAPTRUST Acquires Retirement Plan Division of Capital Strategies Advisors**

*Firm continues to attract advisors focused on retirement plan consulting*

**RALEIGH, N.C.** (April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2008) – CAPTRUST Financial Advisors, an independent retirement advisory firm, today announced they have completed the acquisition of the retirement plan division of Capital Strategies Advisors Inc., based in Birmingham, Alabama. The new office will be headed up by Paul Owen and Pat Bills who join CAPTRUST with over 40 years of combined industry experience.

Capital Strategies Advisors, Owner and President, Hollis N. Gieger, Jr. said, “This is a win-win for all parties involved. Services and advice for our current client base will be enhanced while our financial advisors will be able to leverage their time by utilizing CAPTRUST’s expertise and centralized resources.”

As a result of the acquisition, CAPTRUST extends its presence in the southeast markets. The firm now has 34 advisors in 8 offices from Maine to Alabama and advises on \$22 billion in assets.

“We are always very excited about the ability to add additional advisor talent to CAPTRUST and the opportunity to provide world-class service and advice to our newly added fiduciary clients” said CAPTRUST CEO, Fielding Miller. “This deal marks CAPTRUST’s latest step towards being the platinum brand advisory firm for middle market companies and their executives.”

“We continue to execute on our strategic plan”, CAPTRUST’s Chief Operating Officer Dan Doster commented. “Due to the effectiveness of our centrally located resources for both our advisors and for CAPTRUST’s clients, it allows all parties involved to be at their highest and best use which is the most attractive aspect”.

CAPTRUST Financial Advisors is an independent research and retirement advisory firm focused on providing strategic advisory services to retirement plan fiduciaries both 401(k) and Pension,

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Founded more than 19 years ago, CAPTRUST is headquartered in Raleigh, NC with offices in Atlanta, GA, Boston, MA, Charlotte, NC, Philadelphia, PA, Richmond, VA, and Washington, D.C. and provides advisory services to clients representing over \$22 billion in assets.

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