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U.S. Retirement & Benefits Partners Welcomes Michael S. Kryza, CFA

Chief Corporate Development Officer

Iselin, NJ, May 28, 2024 – U.S. Retirement & Benefits Partners (USRBP) is pleased to announce today that Michael (Mike) S. Kryza, CFA, has joined the company as Chief Corporate Development Officer.

In his new role, Mike will lead the corporate development team, overseeing pipeline development, evaluation, execution, due diligence, negotiations and completion of all USRBP M&A transactions. His primary focus will be ensuring that our M&A strategy leads to meaningful conversations with retirement and employee benefit solutions companies nationwide, helping them recognize the full potential of business growth through partnering with USRBP.

Mike brings extensive experience in corporate development, strategy, and general management within the financial services industry. His impressive track record includes successfully identifying, structuring, completing, and integrating acquisitions. Prior to joining USRBP, Mike served as the head of corporate development at The Guardian Life Insurance Company of America where he was responsible for all corporate development activities, including M&A, corporate venture investments, private equity relationships, and enterprise partnerships.

Megan Schneider, CEO of USRBP, stated, "USRBP has a proud history of growth through acquisition and Mike will play a pivotal role in achieving our significant non-organic growth ambitions and targets. He will lead our efforts to expand our geographic footprint and solutions nationally, building on our strong relationships within the investment banking and broader industry communities to ensure we remain on their radars when deal opportunities arise."

Mike added, "I have been excited about USRBP since my first interactions with the team. The company is a market leader in its chosen verticals, has built a compelling platform to accelerate Partner Firm growth, and has the proven ability to bring new firms collaboratively and successfully into the organization. I look forward to working with the team, as well as all our constituents, to contribute to our continued growth and success."

About U.S. Retirement & Benefits Partners

U.S. Retirement & Benefits Partners, with headquarters in Iselin, NJ, is one of the nation's largest independent, national financial services firms specializing in employee benefit and employer-sponsored retirement plans in the K-12 public school, governmental, corporate, and non-profit markets. Through 59 acquisitions throughout the U.S., USRBP serves over 15,000 employer groups with 3.5 million participants. For more information, visit www.usrbpartners.com.