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Spire Investment Partners Expands to the West Coast With the Addition of the Chamberlain Group

McLean, VA December 6, 2012 --- Spire Investment Partners is pleased to announce that the Chamberlain Group of Irvine, CA has joined the Spire group of affiliates. Michael J. Kiley is the founder and CEO of Chamberlain Group, a Southern California financial advisory firm specializing in wealth management and executive benefits for accomplished business owners. For 35 years, Mike has been advising some of the best-known companies in the U.S., providing liquidity to pay estate taxes and facilitating the design and architecture of successful legacy plans. He has helped structure and fund buy-sell agreements that assure business continuity after the loss of a shareholder. He also has a proven track record of increasing the retention of key employees through the design and installation of long-term incentive plans.

Additionally, Mr. Kiley is a shareholder of the M Financial Group, a Portland, Oregon-based financial services firm serving public and private companies, and super-affluent families. Additionally, he has served as a trustee of the Calamos Family of mutual funds, a Chicago-based money manager known for their convertible bond and growth stock expertise. Mike currently serves as a board member for the M Funds, a proprietary series of mutual funds available in M Group Proprietary Variable Products.

The Chamberlain Group's advisory business will clear and be custodied primarily at Pershing Advisor Solutions, A BNY/Mellon Company; their Broker Dealer business will be conducted through Spire Securities and Dealer Brokers Services, also A BNY/Mellon Company.

"Our decision to affiliate with Spire came down to several issues," according to Kiley. "First, we run a very sophisticated practice and we chose to partner with a firm which understands the needs of such a practice and its very high net worth clients. Secondly, we chose a firm which understands and uses technology as lever for growth. Finally, we chose a firm which understands that compliance is an integral and absolutely necessary part of our business, but also understands that we, as partners, are running businesses."

Paul Murphy, Managing Director at Spire adds, "We are thrilled that Mike and his team chose to join us. As is the case with each of our new affiliates, we earn their business because of what we have built; we keep their business because of how we grow together in meeting their ongoing needs." "The opportunity to expand to the West Coast is one we have been seeking for a couple of years now. The Chamberlain Group was the right opportunity and we look forward to helping Mike and his team continue to grow their business and appreciate the confidence they have placed in us in choosing to partner."

Spire Investment Partners is an SEC Registered Investment Advisor and a FINRA Registered Broker Dealer headquartered in McLean, VA and has affiliates throughout the United States. Consistently noted in the Financial Advisor Magazine rankings of top RIAs, Spire was recently named to the Inc. 5000 fastest growing firms in the U.S. Spire enjoys clearing and custody relationships with Fidelity Institutional Wealth Services, Pershing Advisor Solutions, Schwab Institutional, as well as, Fidelity's National Financial Services and Pershing's Dealer Broker Services. Spire has also recently engaged Envestnet as a technology partner.

Spire is focused on growing its business by being a solution for wirehouse advisors looking for a "plug and play" solution in the independent advisory space, as well as, independent advisors who seek big firm solutions with a small firm culture.

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