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**THE MILLER GROUP AWARDS FIRST ANNUAL  
RUDY R. MILLER BUSINESS-FINANCE SCHOLARSHIP  
TO ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY STUDENT**

**Scottsdale, Arizona (October 27, 2008)** – The Miller Group announced it has awarded the first annual Rudy R. Miller Business-Finance Scholarship to a Finance student attending Arizona State University (ASU). Mr. Miller, Chairman, President and CEO of the affiliated group of Miller entities, established the scholarship this year as a way to express his and his firm's support of ASU, in particular the W.P. Carey School of Business, and to encourage and recognize academic excellence in outstanding students. The Rudy R. Miller Business-Finance Scholarship is based on merit and will be awarded annually to a Junior or Senior pursuing a degree in Finance or Business Administration at the W.P. Carey School of Business at Arizona State University.



From left: Dr. Jeffrey Coles, Chair of the Finance Department & Professor of Finance at ASU, W.P. Carey School of Business; Adam Markovich, Scholarship Recipient, and Rudy R. Miller, Chairman, President & CEO of The Miller Group

Adam Markovich, the first recipient of the Rudy R. Miller Business-Finance Scholarship, is a Junior majoring in Finance at ASU. The Miller Group held a luncheon on September 30, 2008 attended by W.P. Carey School of Business representatives Dr. Jeffrey Coles, Chair of the Finance Department and Professor of Finance; Rhett Wilson, Director of Corporate Relations, and Barbara Parkinson, Program Manager for Undergraduate Studies. During the luncheon at The Miller Group's corporate headquarters, Rudy R. Miller presented a plaque and financial award to Mr. Markovich.

Rudy R. Miller commented, "We are extremely pleased to award the first annual Rudy R. Miller Business-Finance Scholarship to Adam Markovich. We were impressed with Adam's academic achievements as well his strong interest and background in the financial and investment markets. We believe Adam's solid family and work backgrounds combined with the education he is receiving at Arizona State University will help him achieve his goals. We feel honored to provide Adam a financial reward that will assist him in this pursuit and we look forward to following Adam as he progresses throughout his career."

Dr. Jeffrey Coles added, "ASU sincerely appreciates The Miller Group for their generous support of our programs and students. Adam Markovich is an outstanding choice for this first award. He has aggressively pursued experience and knowledge in the capital markets and he has an outstanding academic record as well. I

will be proud to name Adam Markovich among alumni of the Department of Finance of the W. P. Carey School of Business at Arizona State University."

Recipients of the Rudy R. Miller Business-Finance Scholarship are chosen by the executives of The Miller Group from a select group of business students pre-screened by the ASU scholarship program office. In the initial application process students must provide their academic and employment information, their resume and answers to three essay questions based on leadership, career/educational goals and why the student feels he/she wants and deserves the scholarship. Top candidates, who must maintain a minimum 3.5 grade point average, are then interviewed by executives of The Miller Group.

In conclusion, Rudy R. Miller stated, "Our firm has a history of involvement with Arizona State University educational and athletic programs, a relationship we wish to continue and expand through the Rudy R. Miller Business-Finance Scholarship. We believe ASU is on course to fulfill its goals of being a preeminent institution of higher education and our firm feels privileged to provide support to the lofty standards set by ASU."

### **About The Miller Group**

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