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



From left: Jeffrey Coles, Chair of the Finance Department & Professor of Finance at ASU, W.P. Carey School of Business; Christian M. Wolford, President & CEO of Miller Capital Markets, LLC (member FINRA); Stacey Mathews, 2009 Scholarship Recipient, and Rudy R. Miller, Chairman, President & CEO of The Miller Group

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– The Miller Group announced it has awarded the second annual Rudy R. Miller Business-Finance Scholarship to an Arizona State University (ASU) student with disciplines in both Finance and Accounting. Mr. Miller, Chairman, President and CEO of the affiliated group of Miller entities, established the scholarship in 2008 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 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.

The 2009 recipient of the Rudy R. Miller Business-Finance Scholarship, Stacey Mathews, is a Senior with a dual major in Finance and Accounting. In addition to earning an exceptional 3.89 grade point average, Ms. Mathews has hands-on experience from an internship through Republic Services as an accounting associate. To commemorate Ms. Mathews as the 2009 scholarship recipient, The Miller Group held a luncheon on October 8, 2009 attended by W.P. Carey School of Business representatives Jeffrey Coles, Chair of the Finance Department and Professor of Finance; Jeanne Elliott, Coordinator, Department of Finance, and Barbara Parkinson, Program Manager, Undergraduate Scholarships. During the luncheon at The Miller Group’s corporate headquarters, Rudy R. Miller presented a plaque and financial award to Ms. Mathews.

Rudy R. Miller commented, “We are delighted to recognize Stacey Mathews as our second annual Rudy R. Miller Business-Finance Scholarship recipient. Stacey was carefully selected for her impressive academic achievements, ambitious work experience and demonstrated interest in Finance and more...

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Accounting. We are confident Stacey's admirable values coupled with her strong work ethic and the education she's obtained at Arizona State University will help her to reach her goals and propel her into a successful career. We feel privileged to honor Stacey with a scholarship that will assist in her pursuit of these goals and look forward to following Stacey in her professional journey."

Professor Jeffrey Coles added, "ASU sincerely appreciates The Miller Group for their generous support of our programs and students. Rudy Miller and Chris Wolford and our other friends at The Miller Group are energetic and forward-thinking advocates for education and student excellence. Stacey Mathews is an outstanding choice for this award. She has aggressively pursued experience and knowledge in corporate finance, both in school and in practice at Republic Services. I will be proud to name Stacey Mathews 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 W.P. Carey School 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's relationship and history of involvement with Arizona State University's educational and athletic programs continues to grow with the annual awarding of the Rudy R. Miller Business-Finance Scholarship. With its standard for excellence, ASU is a renowned academic institution and our firm is proud to be an active supporter of the university and its students."

About The Miller Group

Established in 1972 and headquartered in Scottsdale, Arizona, The Miller Group of entities provides a broad spectrum of financial advisory and related services to both public and private middle-market companies located throughout the United States. Among the various activities and services the firm engages in are venture capital and private equity investing, management consulting, business valuations and investor relations. The Miller Group has an impressive record of designing programs related to corporate structure, business plans and financial assignments. Miller Capital Markets, an affiliate of The Miller Group, is a boutique investment bank that handles M&A transactions, private placements of equity and debt, and public market advisory services for our clients. Miller Capital Markets is registered with the SEC and is a FINRA member firm and a member of the National Investment Banking Association. A select group of past and present Miller clients includes: America West Airlines; USAir Express; Capital Title Group, Inc.; Global Entertainment Corporation; Regent Communications, Inc.; JFP Group; McMurry, Inc.; Ritz Carlton Magazine; DELSTAR Companies, Inc. and Telgian Corporation.

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