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Mariner CEO Named 12th Best Independent Advisor in America by Barron's

Award is firm's second recognition by the renowned financial publication this year

LEAWOOD, KAN – Sept. 01, 2009 – Mariner Wealth Advisors, LLC has announced that its CEO, Martin Bicknell, has been named the 12th top independent investment advisor in America for 2009 by Barron's magazine, the Dow Jones Business and Financial Weekly.

Barron's ranks investment professionals on a number of factors, including assets under management, client satisfaction, regulatory record, and the overall quality of the practice. Bicknell said that "it is a testament to the caliber of professionals at Mariner that we were able to achieve this exceptional recognition in such a short period of time." Although the majority of financial specialists at Mariner have extensive backgrounds, the firm itself just opened its doors in 2006.

This is not the first accolade the firm has received from Barron's. Earlier in the year, the team was named the top investment advisor in the state of Kansas. The full report on the most recent award can be seen in the August 31st issue of Barron's.

About Mariner

Founded in 2006 by former A. G. Edwards investment professionals and management staff, Mariner is an independent investment company focused on wealth and asset management. The asset management platform provides institutional investors, foundations and third party managers with high quality core and alternative investment strategies. The wealth management platform offers business owners, executives, and high net worth individuals extensive portfolio management, tax and estate planning, risk management and other services. For more information, visit www.mariner-holdings.com, or www.marinerwealthadvisors.com.

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