



## **Press Release**

### **PRINCIPALS OF THE WEISS GROUP INC. COMPLETE ACQUISITION OF JIM POEKERT & ASSOCIATES**

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The Weiss Group, Inc. a leading full-service retirement plan provider today announced that the firm's principals, Haskel B. Weiss, QPA, QKA and Adam R. Weiss, QPA, QKA have acquired the assets of Jim Poekert & Associates Inc., a retirement administration firm specializing in the design and implementation of qualified retirement plans located in Tarpon Springs, Florida.

To complete the acquisition, a new firm, TWG of Florida, Inc, was formed. The firm will do business as Jim Poekert & Associates (JPA).

"We are continuously looking for ways to improve our product and service offerings" said Haskel Weiss, President of The Weiss Group, Inc (TWG). "For quite sometime we have searched for a well matched fit in the retirement administration industry. We found that Jim Poekert & Associates has the same values, goals and reputation for superior customer service and a vision which is in-line with that of TWG."

"Listening to customers' needs and working to meet them is a philosophy that JPA and TWG share," said Adam R Weiss, Vice President and Chief Investment Officer of TWG. "With the acquisition of JPA, clients can expect a continued focus on quality, support, and innovation, while also having access to even more options to meet their needs. We are excited about the addition of JPA. As our business continues to expand, the combination will become a major force in the retirement plan industry. It works well for both organizations."

JPA will serve retirement plan sponsors — including corporations, government entities and not-for-profit organizations, as well as financial institutions and intermediaries

#### **About The Weiss Group, Inc.**

TWG is a professional services organization founded in 1995. It provides a value-added full service solution designed to meet the retirement plan needs of its clients, their investment advisors and other professionals. TWG was launched with the goal of filling the void in specialized expertise vital to meeting the unique requirements of small and mid-sized organizations. Although TWG is qualified to apply its expertise in every phase of the retirement plan process, it also works in tandem with a client's existing team of professionals. TWG has a national presence; its corporate office is in a Chicago suburb with a satellite office in Minnesota.

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