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FORMER TRUST COMPANY PRESIDENT JOINS PRIVATE TRUST GROUP OF AMERICA

Newburyport, Massachusetts

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Private Trust Group of America is pleased to announce that **Raymond A. Brearey** has joined the firm as Director of Sales & Marketing.

In making the announcement, Sandi Lotito, Founder & General Manager for Private Trust Group of America, said, "Ray is an old friend and valued colleague that many of us associated with PTG have known for over 25 years. We were delighted to add someone with his broad trust background, which has included several senior level trust positions throughout New England. Having recently retired as president of a Boston-area trust company after serving in that position for 9 years, Ray brings a new perspective and added legitimacy to how PTG can better serve community bank trust departments."

Please join us in welcoming Ray to the PTG family. His contact information is:

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About Private Trust Group of America

Private Trust Group of America is an employee-owned company specializing in providing administrative and operational support to trust departments and wealth management offices nation wide. With an executive staff that has over 100 years of combined trust and related technology experience, and a professional staff whose average experience exceeds 22 years, Private Trust Group of America offers an unusually high degree of frontline sophistication to its client base.

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