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## River Road Hires L. Michele Robbins as Vice President of Client Services

**LOUISVILLE, KY** - - March 19, 2007 - - River Road Asset Management, LLC ("River Road") announced today that L. Michele Robbins has been hired for the role of Vice President of Client Services.

In her role, Ms. Robbins will serve as a liaison between River Road's investment team and the firm's clients.

"Michele has over twenty-three years of industry experience," said River Road President, R. Andrew Beck. "Her professional experience blends well with the style of our firm and that of our senior investment team."

Prior to joining River Road, Ms. Robbins held positions with JPMorgan Chase Bank, NA, SMC Capital, Inc. (Commonwealth SMC), Aquila Management of New York and J.J.B Hilliard, L.L. Lyons, Inc.

River Road is an institutional asset management firm based in Louisville, Kentucky. The firm specializes in managing value-oriented portfolios. River Road's strategies are also available to retail investors through two mutual funds offered by Aston Asset Management. The mutual funds trade under the symbols ARSVX (Small Cap Value) and ARDEX (Dynamic Equity Income).

Photos and additional biographical information are available upon request. You may also visit River Road's website for additional information at www.RiverRoadAM.com.