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FINANCE INDUSTRY – VETERAN JOINS CEA

New York, **New York** - Communications Equity Associates ("CEA") announced today that Raymond J. Martin (Ray), a financial services industry veteran of more than three decades, has joined CEA's New York office as Managing Director, Corporate Advisory Services and Investment Banking.

Throughout his career, Ray has initiated and managed cross-border technology alliances and provided highly structured finance in M&A services for banking and finance, defense, electronics, entertainment and media, IT infrastructure, medical products, technology, and telecommunications for companies across the U.S., Europe, and Latin America.

Prior to joining CEA, Ray was a Founder and Managing Partner of **Semaphore Capital Advisors**, **LLC** which provides corporate advisory and investment banking services in companies in the defense, electronics, media, telecom, medical products, and technology industries. His outstanding career has included senior management positions with **ING Barings/Furman Selz LLC**, **Allen Company**, **GE Capital**, **Bank of America**, and **Solomon Broadcasting International**.

Martin will provide investment banking and corporate finance advisory services to North and South America and selectively in other overseas locations. He can be reached at (203) 559-4478 or via email at rmartin@ceaworldwide.com.

CEA is a financial services firm with offices in New York, London, and is headquartered in Tampa, Florida.

About CEA

Founded in 1973, CEA is a leading provider of investment banking services and private equity to the global communications, media, entertainment, and information technology industries. With a team of highly experienced personnel worldwide, CEA has an unequaled depth and breadth of industry knowledge, expertise and long-standing industry relationships. CEA has completed over 900 transactions totaling \$45 billion in 60 countries. CEA and its affiliates also manage, co-manage or participate in a worldwide family of private equity funds with committed capital of approximately \$1.15 billion for private equity investments in the industries CEA serves. CEA's reputation and track record of success are built on delivering innovative, value-added solutions and services to clients worldwide. CEA Atlantic Advisors, LLC is a FINRA Registered Broker-Dealer and a member of SIPC.

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