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### **Trust, Integrity, Mutual Respect and Client Service Attract Financial Services Firm to Open New Branch in Brewer, Maine**

**ST. LOUIS, March 22, 2021** – St. Louis-based financial services firm [Benjamin F. Edwards](http://benjaminfedwards.com) has opened its 75th U.S. branch in Brewer, Maine company officials announced today. The new office is the first in Maine, expanding the firm's presence to 29 states.

The Brewer branch is staffed by veteran financial advisor Richard A. Heleen, senior vice president-investments, and associate, Amy Harris, of 15 years.

Heleen joins Benjamin F. Edwards from Wells Fargo Advisors with more than 26 years of experience.

"Benjamin F. Edwards & Co. is a company we believe in," Heleen said. "It also shares our commitment to putting clients first, while also offering a culture anchored by trust, integrity and mutual respect. In addition to a rich history, Edwards has the experienced personnel and the extensive product and service capabilities we can rely on as we continue to work toward our clients' financial goals. We encourage you to visit the company's website, [benjaminfedwards.com](http://benjaminfedwards.com), for more information."

Benjamin F. Edwards Regional Director Neal Bauman said: "We are thrilled to welcome this experienced team to Benjamin F. Edwards and introduce their clients to our special brand of client-first service and informed investment knowledge. Edwards offers an outstanding product and service lineup as well."

Benjamin F. Edwards was founded a decade ago by Benjamin F. (Tad) Edwards IV, great-great-grandson of the founder of A.G. Edwards. Tad Edwards started his firm just as the financial services industry and the country were in the throes of the Great Recession. It was a time when many of the storied names of Wall Street were struggling or failing, but Edwards saw a competitive opportunity in returning investors – clients – to the driver's seat of the advisor-client relationship.

#### **About Benjamin F. Edwards**

Benjamin F. Edwards is a privately held full-service, national wealth-management firm headquartered in St. Louis, Mo. The firm currently has 76 branch offices in 29 states, with more than 600 employees, and \$33 billion in assets under management. A subsidiary of Benjamin Edwards, Inc., Benjamin F. Edwards is a full-service broker-dealer

offering a wide array of investment management and investment banking services to its clients and advisors. In 2019, the firm launched a registered investment advisor (RIA), Edwards Wealth Management. For more information about Benjamin F. Edwards, please visit [benjaminfedwards.com](http://benjaminfedwards.com), or follow the company on [Twitter.com/GrowWithBFEC](https://twitter.com/GrowWithBFEC).

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