

Harrison named head of the Advantus insurance asset management practice

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St. Paul, MN, September 28, 2010 – [Advantus Capital Management](#) named Randal Harrison, CFA, vice president and director of the Insurance Advisory practice that manages assets for insurance companies. His appointment is effective immediately.

Harrison succeeds Marilyn Froelich, CFA, who has led Insurance Advisory since 1998. Froelich is retiring but will remain with the company until the end of the year to ensure a smooth leadership transition.

Harrison previously served as managing director and senior fixed income portfolio manager for RBC Global Asset Management. He also has extensive experience in client service and business development.

“Insurance Advisory is successful because it maintains its commitment to excellent customer service and strong investment results,” said David Kuplic, executive vice president, Advantus. “The unit is growing and poised to achieve its next stage of development. Randy Harrison has the experience and expertise to lead that growth while remaining true to the values that have always guided our Insurance Advisory business.”

Advantus currently manages \$15 billion in insurance assets. Largely due to client growth, Insurance Advisory assets have grown an average of 15 percent annually since 2005 and doubled since 2003. Insurance Advisory uses a fundamental, bottom up [investment process](#) that identifies each insurance client’s needs and develops a portfolio that meets those unique needs.

Advantus manages more than \$20 billion in assets for institutional clients and draws on the powerful market insights and practical business experience of its team of approximately 100 investment associates. Advantus uses a client-focused philosophy and collaborative, research-driven process to build customized investment strategies for clients. It is an affiliate of [Securian Financial Group, Inc.](#) which has provided financial security for individuals and businesses in the form of insurance, investments and retirement plans since 1880.

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