



POLEN CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, LLC ANNOUNCES PASSING OF FOUNDER DAVID M. POLEN

BOCA RATON, FL (June 11, 2012)--Polen Capital Management, LLC regrets to announce the passing of David M. Polen, founder and creator of the firm's investment philosophy and process. Mr. Polen was 68 years old.

"This is a sad day for the entire Polen Capital family," said Polen Capital Management Chief Executive Officer Stan Moss. "David viewed all firm partners and employees as part of his extended family, caring for each of us and openly sharing worldly wisdom and fatherly advice. We have all learned a great deal from him over the years. David worked diligently at his craft with extraordinary discipline and patience. His optimism was infectious and his energy, passion and presence will be missed."

Mr. Polen managed the Polen Capital Large Cap Growth product since its inception, producing one of the best long-term track records in the industry. Portfolio Manager Dan Davidowitz, who joined the firm in 2005 and has co-managed the portfolio with Mr. Polen since 2007, continues to lead the Investment Team and has final decision responsibility for the portfolio with the ongoing support of Senior Research Analyst Damon Ficklin who has been on the Investment Team since 2003, Portfolio Manager & Research Analyst Stephen Atkins, and Research Analyst Todd Morris. The Investment Team has more than 16 years of collective experience executing the Polen Capital Large Cap Growth investment process.

"David was a great investor, a tireless mentor and a close friend," said Portfolio Manager Dan Davidowitz. "I had the distinct privilege of working side-by-side with him for the last seven years and it was truly amazing to witness his commitment to continuous learning and hard work while also going out of his way to have quality time with his family, friends and each employee of Polen Capital Management. We are confident that the investment discipline that he created and the strong firm that he built will prove to be among his most enduring accomplishments. We will miss him dearly."

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