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**Siebert Lutheran Foundation Announces Four New Board Members**

**February 3, 2016 (Brookfield, Wis.)** - Siebert Lutheran Foundation announces the appointment of four new members to its 2016 Board of Directors.

Joining the Siebert Board of Directors are Thomas J. Kammerait, Timothy J. Larson, Dr. Joan M. Prince, and David J. Rodgers. "These four new members typify the spirit of Siebert's mission and bring enormous professional expertise to our board. We're honored that they've accepted this appointment so that we may benefit from their wealth of experiences and insights," said Kurtiss R. Krueger, Siebert Lutheran Foundation Board Chair. Criteria for serving on the Siebert Lutheran Foundation Board of Directors is active membership in a Lutheran church and professional expertise that will enhance the Board's ability to lead and govern the Foundation's strategic and philanthropic priorities.

Thomas J. Kammerait is a Shareholder with the law firm of von Briesen & Roper, s.c. where he also serves as a Director, Treasurer, and Chair of the Business Practice Group. He is an active member of Fox Point Lutheran Church, Fox Point, Wis. Kammerait has focused his professional career on helping clients set priorities for enhancing the value of their businesses and identifying risk management strategies, on a tax-efficient basis. Originally from Racine, Wis., Kammerait attended the University of Wisconsin, where he met his wife, and received his B.S. in Economics and Political Science. He then attended the University of Wisconsin-Madison Law School and received his Juris Doctor degree in 1981, along with earning the Certified Professional Accountant (CPA) certification during law school. Kammerait and his wife, Jane, have three children and live in Mequon, Wis.

Timothy J. Larson, a member of Our Savior Lutheran, Milwaukee, is Vice President of Philanthropic Services at the Greater Milwaukee Foundation. His career in philanthropy is extensive, including significant fundraising and development roles in the healthcare sector. Larson also serves on the Advisory Committee of the Outreach for Hope Fund, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization affiliated with the Greater Milwaukee Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). He attended seminary at Lutheran School of Theology - Chicago before transferring to the University of Chicago to combine Theology with Social Services/Health Care Leadership. He grew up in Brown Deer, Wis., as the son of an ELCA Lutheran pastor and currently resides in Milwaukee, Wis.

Dr. Joan M. Prince, a member of St. Phillips Lutheran Church, Milwaukee, serves as the Vice Chancellor, Partnerships and Innovation at The University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee. She serves on the Board of Directors for the Great Lakes Education Corporation, and is a former board member of The Greater Milwaukee Foundation, The Council on Foundations, and the Wisconsin Covenant Foundation. In 2012, Prince was nominated by President Barack Obama to the post of Alternate Representative to the 67<sup>th</sup> General Assembly of the United Nations, with the honorary rank of Ambassador. Her role at UWM includes managing external relations, chief administrator for the Divisions of Global Inclusion and Engagement and Partnerships and Innovation, and Chief Inclusion Officer. She earned her bachelor's degree in Medical Technology, master's degree in Clinical Laboratory Sciences, and doctorate in Urban Education. She has received numerous awards and honors. Prince is a native of Milwaukee, Wis., attended Lutheran schools through high school, and was a member of the first group of African-American students to integrate Wisconsin Lutheran High School.

David J. Rodgers, a member of Star of Bethlehem Evangelical Lutheran Church, New Berlin, Wis., is the Senior Vice President and President, Engines Group, at Briggs & Stratton Corporation. Prior to his current role, he served Briggs and Stratton as Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer. Rodgers also serves on the board of directors for Wisconsin Lutheran High School and the National Multiple Sclerosis Society - Wisconsin Chapter. He was previously a Boy Scouts of America and Public Policy Forum board member. Rodgers has extensive public accounting, international operations, mergers and acquisitions, and debt and equity offerings experience. Raised in Whitewater, Wis., Rodgers has a B.S. in Accounting from Marquette University and is a CPA. He and his wife, Jamie, have three children and live in New Berlin.

Kammerait, Larsen, Prince, and Rodgers join current Siebert Lutheran Foundation board members Kurtiss R. Krueger (Chairperson), Kurt Bechthold (Vice-Chair, Secretary), Julie Van Cleave (Treasurer), Sharon Adams, Knute Jacobson, Deni Naumann, W. David Romoser, John Sellars, and John Zimdars.

### **About Siebert Lutheran Foundation**

Siebert Lutheran Foundation, as a steward of its resources and relationships, enables the Lutheran community to be more collaborative, creative, and effective in how it shares the Word of God, how it educates and instills Christian values in our youth, and how it serves people in need. Siebert is a private independent foundation located in Brookfield, Wis. and was established by the late Albert F. Siebert to fund Christian ministries identified with Lutheran churches and organizations within Siebert's funding priorities in Wisconsin.

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