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**The Barclay Group Promotes Josh Batushansky, Robert Blomquist & Michael McCarthy to Vice President**

RIVERTON, NJ (September 19, 2010) The Barclay Group, an independent insurance agency based out of Riverton, NJ with nine offices throughout the state, today announced the promotion of Josh Batushansky to Vice President Operations & Marketing, Robert Blomquist to Vice President Personal Lines, and Michael McCarthy to Vice President Commercial Lines.

“It was a simple decision to promote these three. They have been loyal to The Barclay Group for over 10 years, leading many projects in their tenure here and have great reputations in the insurance industry. Barclay is looking to grow organically and by acquisition and we will need leaders like this to make sure we’re successful going forward,” said John Latimer, President of The Barclay Group.

Josh Batushansky joined the company in 1997 as an intern and has steadily climbed the ranks during the past 13 years towards this promotion. He has a B.S. in Marketing from Montclair State University and an M.B.A. from Drexel University, LeBow College of Business. Batushansky is Six-Sigma Green Belt certified, sits on the Board of Directors of the New Jersey Young Insurance Professionals and has met with several New Jersey Congressmen to lobby for the independent insurance agent.

Robert Blomquist joined the company in 1999 as the Manager of Barclay’s first Branch office located in Deptford. He has been in the industry for 22 years. Starting off as a Prudential agent and eventually being promoted to a sales manager position before joining Barclay. He now manages the operations of two offices (the second being a recently acquired office in Cherry Hill). Bob is a member of the Gloucester County Chamber of Commerce and Deptford Business Advisory Committee.

Michael McCarthy entered the industry in 1976 with Liberty Mutual and has held sales positions with Corroon and Black of PA and the J.S Braddock Agency prior to joining The Barclay Group in Riverton in 1997. He is the current president of the Independent Agents and Brokers of Burlington County.

**About The Barclay Group**

The Barclay Group was established in 1945 and has been serving the insurance needs of businesses, families, contractors, public entities and emergency squads continuously during that time. Today, The Barclay Group has grown to nine offices in four counties to become one of the largest and most trusted professional independent insurance agents in New Jersey. The Barclay Group is a firm of proven professionals with caring and conscientious people; the kind of people clients can depend on. The firm’s success is attributed to working with all types of insureds in evaluating risk, and assisting in the development of a good risk management strategy. Since 1999, customers have voted The Barclay Group Burlington County’s BEST Insurance Agency and Gloucester County’s BEST since 2006. For more information, please visit [www.barclayinsurance.com](http://www.barclayinsurance.com).

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