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## **MERISTEM ADDS SENIOR ASSOCIATE TO CLIENT ADVISOR GROUP**

### **MERISTEM, A MULTI-FAMILY OFFICE BASED IN MINNETONKA, NAMES CHRISTINA CLARK AS SENIOR ASSOCIATE.**

TWIN CITIES – June 23, 2008 – Christina Clark has been named Senior Associate at Minnetonka-based Meristem, a multi-family office. Clark will be working as part of a team of advisors that coordinate the comprehensive needs of Meristem's wealth management clients. Clark's role will be managing clients' daily needs as well as monitoring progress toward achieving their long-term goals.

"Christina is a welcome addition to Meristem's group of Senior Associates," says Jerry Johnson, President of Meristem. "We look forward to her contributions to those we serve. She has a great understanding of the financial planning field, both from an operations and a client advisor standpoint. In addition her prior experience as a counselor gives her a unique set of skills that are very important in our business – to listen, understand and advocate for clients."

Clark adds a unique mixture of client relation skills and experience. In addition to being a Financial Planner with JNBA and office manager at Capital Street Financial Services, Inc., she has worked as a social worker for low-income people and served as a crisis counselor and support group facilitator for sexual violence victims. She holds a B.A. in Psychology from the University of Minnesota.

"I've learned that the key to successfully advising clients is to strive for a personal understanding of who a client is and what their needs are, regardless of where they are in their life. This helps to build trust *and* relationships. Once you have that understanding, you're able to help create a strategy and achieve goals."

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*About Meristem: Meristem is a wealth management firm operating in a Multi Family Office platform. Meristem provides a comprehensive menu of financial services for wealthy families and individuals including; wealth management, estate and tax planning, risk management, financial planning and charitable giving.*