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Class A, Retreat at Schillinger, in Mobile, AL Trades for \$23.0 Million 270-Unit Community Acquired by Locally-Based, Private Buyer LMS Companies

Mobile, Alabama (September 17, 2012) — Atlanta-headquartered ARA, the largest privately held, full-service investment advisory brokerage firm in the nation focusing exclusively on the multihousing industry, is pleased to announce the sale of the Retreat at Schillinger, a luxury, 270-unit, Class A community located in Western Mobile County, AL.

ARA Atlanta-based principals, Sean Henry and John Weber, along with associate broker, Chad DeFoor, represented the seller, Indianapolis, IN-based SC Bodner Company, one of the nation's leading high-end multi-family developers, in the sale.

The property was acquired by Birmingham, AL-based LMS Companies, a private real estate investment management company for \$23.0 million or \$85,185 a unit.

Constructed in 2011, the gated community was 93% occupied at the time of the sale.

According to ARA's Sean Henry, "LMS acquired this new property for an attractively low basis. Mobile is a growing market and they will experience solid growth with this property. The

employment in this location is anchored by medical and education providing a solid economic foundation. Growth is being fueled by new employment like the ThyssenKrupp steel mill and the coming Airbus manufacturing plant."

To schedule an interview with an ARA executive regarding this transaction or for more information about ARA, please contact Lisa Robinson, lrobinson@arausa.com or 678.553.9360.

About ARA

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