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Linda Beerman to resume role as CIBC Atlantic Trust Wealth Strategies head

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ATLANTA, May 9, 2017 — CIBC Atlantic Trust Private Wealth Management, the U.S. private wealth management division of **CIBC** (NYSE: CM) (TSX: CM), is pleased to announce that Linda S. Beerman has returned as head of Wealth Strategies Group, which she created in 2001.

"Linda has been a visionary in developing strategic programs for our clients, resulting in Wealth Strategies becoming the most important differentiator for many of our clients," says John S. "Jack" Markwalter Jr., chairman and CEO of CIBC Atlantic Trust. "We are delighted that once again Linda will bring her leadership skills and passion to our team as we continue to advance and distinguish our Wealth Strategies offerings."

"Under Linda's guidance, legacy planning and educating the next generation have taken on new meaning and significance in the lives of our multi-generational client families," says Eric Propper, president of CIBC Atlantic Trust. "Our clients have benefited tremendously from her experience and wisdom, and we look forward to an exciting new chapter under Linda's leadership."

With over three decades of experience, Beerman was recognized as one of the "50 Most Influential Women in Private Wealth" by *Private Asset Management* (PAM) magazine in 2015.

Over the last 16 years at CIBC Atlantic Trust, Beerman has been a leader in numerous roles, including chief fiduciary officer and serving on the firm-wide Operating Committee. By returning to her role as head of Wealth Strategies, Beerman will guide firm-wide initiatives, including Women's CIRCLE and G2G Impact (Generation-to-Generation), which are focused on outreach to women clients and the next generation of wealth management clients, respectively.

Beerman will continue to shape the long-term vision and direction of the group, and will play an important leadership role as the business expands. In addition, she will continue working with clients and their advisors to develop and implement charitable, estate, and wealth transfer and management planning as part of CIBC Atlantic Trust's integrated approach to wealth management.

About CIBC Atlantic Trust Private Wealth Management
CIBC Atlantic Trust Private Wealth Management is one of the nation's leading private wealth management firms, offering integrated wealth management for high net worth individuals, families, foundations and endowments. The firm considers clients' financial, trust, estate

planning and philanthropic needs in developing customized asset allocation and investment management strategies. Experienced professionals deliver a broad range of solutions, including proprietary investment offerings and a robust open architecture platform of traditional and alternative managers. The firm has achieved 40 straight quarters of growth coming from clients adding assets to their existing accounts and from new business. CIBC Atlantic Trust operates in 14 full-service locations throughout the U.S., with $30.2 billion in assets under management as of March 31, 2017. For more information, visit www.cibcatlantictrust.com.

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