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Bern DuPree Selected for Liberty Fellowship Class of 2025

Greenville, South Carolina (December 2023) – Bern DuPree, Director, Furman Capitol Advisors, and Shareholder, NAI Earle Furman, has been selected to join 20 other South Carolina leaders in Liberty Fellowship's Class of 2025. The Fellowship brings together a small group of established leaders with a wide range of thought, professions, geographic locations and lived experiences. Through a rigorous 18-month process, each Class member will be challenged to understand and embrace their varying perspectives with a growth-oriented mindset.

"Leaders operate in a continually changing landscape and are required to respond swiftly to market forces," said Ann Marie Stieritz, president and CEO of Liberty Fellowship and a Fellow from the Class of 2016. "This group of dynamic leaders will be a wonderful addition to our global and statewide networks who work together to foster collaboration, innovation, and sustainable growth."

"I am honored to join this esteemed group of leaders from around South Carolina in Liberty's Fellowship Class of 2025," said Bern DuPree, Director, Furman Capitol Advisors, and Shareholder, NAI Earle Furman. The opportunity to collaborate with a diverse group of thought leaders from around the state is humbling."

Liberty Fellowship selects a new Class every two years. Each leader selected received at least one nomination, was interviewed twice, and ultimately selected from a pool of more than 400 nominations.

The Class of 2025 will begin their Liberty Fellowship experience with a series of five, multi-day seminars in South Carolina and abroad in March 2024. Each Class member will also be required to create an impact venture that establishes positive change for future generations in South Carolina.

Upon successful completion of the initial program, the Class of 2025 will join 330 leaders in the Liberty Fellowship South Carolina Network and 3,000 leaders in the Aspen Global Leadership Network. Through these two networks, they will have lifelong opportunities for engagement and access to an influential group of colleagues and mentors. Learn more about the class at libertyfellowshipsc.org/21-south-carolina-leaders-selected-for-the-class-of-2025/.

About Liberty Fellowship

Liberty Fellowship is the only state-based Fellowship program of its kind in the United States. The Fellowship activates individual leaders through a deeper understanding of a just, free and equitable society; serves as a convener for bringing together diverse perspectives to advance civil discourse; and provides infrastructure for taking action. There are 330 Liberty Fellows working collectively across South Carolina. Learn more at www.libertyfellowshipsc.org/.

About the Aspen Global Leadership Network

The Aspen Global Leadership Network's (AGLN) is a growing, worldwide community of more than 3,500 high-integrity, entrepreneurial leaders from over 60 countries who share a commitment to values-based leadership and to using their creativity, energy and resources to tackle the foremost societal challenges of our times. Because of their demonstrated accomplishment and abilities, they have been selected to join one of 13 geographic or sector-specific AGLN Fellowships around the world. Fellows convene annually at the AGLN's flagship event, the Resnick Aspen Action Forum. For more information, visit www.aspeninstitute.org/agln.

About NAI Earle Furman

In 2017, NAI Earle Furman, serving the Upstate of South Carolina, and North Carolina's <u>NAI Piedmont Triad</u> joined forces to form a creative commercial real estate collaboration across state lines. The teams expanded their market footprint in 2019 by partnering with the newly rebranded <u>NAI Columbia</u> (formerly Avant) group operating in the South Carolina Midlands and later merged in January 2023. This strategic alliance equally benefits all three firms with additional manpower, expanded resources, and ever-evolving cross-market projects fueled by combined expertise.

Individually, each firm has been an active presence in its market for over three decades, and together they share an engaging environment defined by teamwork, guidance, and growth. The people at each firm possess the passion, dedication, and experience to realize the maximum potential for clients across the Carolinas and worldwide. Through NAI, a managed global network of outstanding brokers, NAI Earle Furman, <u>NAI Piedmont Triad</u>, and <u>NAI Columbia</u> are uniquely capable of satisfying client requirements, with experts on the ground in virtually every location around the world.

Relationships formed through outstanding local service are transitioned across the globe. This collective services platform provides an expansive yet nimble and responsive structure that enables these firms to efficiently deliver superior results. For more information, visit <u>www.naiearlefurman.com</u>.

About Furman Capital Advisors

Furman Capital Advisors (FCA) is the Investment Services Division of NAI Earle Furman focused on real estate acquisitions, dispositions, portfolio management, and loan workouts of various investment property types throughout the southeastern United States. The Furman Capital Advisors team offers a full range of financial services including comprehensive financial modeling, due diligence analysis, real estate valuations, loan sourcing, and more. With offices in North and South Carolina, Furman Capital Advisors provides clients with access to a unique investment platform, as well as connecting them with profitable real estate opportunities throughout the Southeast and the country. They are focused on bringing income-producing assets to the market, performing financial analysis of available investment properties, and utilizing resources to facilitate growth and the preservation of wealth for investors. For more information, visit www.furmancapital.com.

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