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**KIDDER BENEFITS APPOINTS CHIARELLI,
ESTABLISHES NEW CONSULTING OFFICE IN GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA**

WEST DES MOINES, IOWA – Kidder Benefits Consultants has announced the appointment of Elio Chiarelli, Jr., as a Regional Pension Consultant, operating out of Kidder’s new Consulting Office in Gainesville, Florida. Mr. Chiarelli was formerly a financial advisor with Covenant Wealth Management and has significant background in agricultural education and economics. He also has earned the Accredited Investment Fiduciary (AIF®) designation through the Center for Fiduciary Studies.

Mr. Chiarelli received his Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Education from Penn State University. He received his Master of Science in Agricultural Education and Communications and Food and Resource Economics from the University of Florida. He is now in the process of completing his Ph.D. in Entrepreneurship from the University of Florida. Mr. Chiarelli is also active in the community through his service with the Gainesville Area Chamber of Commerce, the First Baptist Church of Alachua, the Latin American Discipleship Outreach Mission Board and the Gainesville Ducks Unlimited Chapter.

In making the announcement, Keith Gredys, CEO & President of Kidder said, “We are excited to welcome Elio to the Kidder team. His clear expertise in agricultural education, economics and entrepreneurship positions him well to serve the retirement and planning needs of business owners and agricultural operators throughout Florida and the Southeast. His appointment enables Kidder to deliver personalized plan design and fiduciary governance services to this key regional market.”

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