

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## Unprecedented Merger Occurs in Retained Physician Search Industry

DALLAS, June 1, 2009 -- Two of the nation's most rapidly growing retained physician search firms, Medicus Partners, LP, Dallas, TX, and The MD Firm, Inc., Atlanta, GA, have agreed to merge their operations under the new name The Medicus Firm, LLC. Transaction terms were not disclosed.

Crutchfield Capital Corporation served as advisor to both parties.

"Successful mergers are built upon cultural fit, the integrity of the leaders, and the energy behind their combined vision; this merger clearly has all three," said Rick Wilson, Managing Director, Crutchfield Capital Corporation.

"We are thrilled with the combination of Medicus Partners' and The MD Firm's culture, client service strength and opportunities. The new firm's national coverage, depth of expertise and quality client relationships are without comparison in the physician search market," said Bob Collins, Managing Partner of Medicus Partners.

Steve Marsh, co-founder of The MD Firm, was equally pleased with the merger. "The alignment of these two companies, their cultures, reputations and collective resources made this union very compelling. We believe the combined forces of Medicus Partners and The MD Firm will result in great benefits for our employees, our clients and the physicians with whom we work across the country," Marsh stated.

The new company, The Medicus Firm, with approximately 70 associates, offers hospitals and medical employers nationwide one of the most experienced physician recruiting teams in the country, plus the combined resources and personnel in marketing, sourcing, and physician staffing data.

### About Medicus Partners

Medicus Partners provides physician recruiting and consulting services to hospitals and physician practices across the country, with a particular strength in the Midwestern, Central and Northeastern United States. The Company, which was founded in 2001, is headquartered in Dallas, TX, and currently employs approximately 35 consultants. It has been named as the 9th Best Place to Work in Texas as well as the 28th Fastest-Growing, Privately Held Staffing Firm in the U.S. by the Staffing Industry Analysts and was a 2008 Inc. 5000 company.

### About The MD Firm, Inc.

The MD Firm specializes in permanent placement of physicians in the United States with particular strength in the Eastern and Western states. The company was founded in 2006 and has grown exponentially and now employs approximately 35 associates. Headquartered in Atlanta, GA, with a regional office in Dallas, TX, the firm's unique approach to client relationship agreements as well as its success in placing physician candidates has allowed it to become the preferred full service search firm for several large, national hospital systems. The firm

currently has several national provider agreements, quickly propelling the firm to national prominence.

#### About Crutchfield Capital Corporation

Crutchfield Capital Corporation is a private investment banking firm providing corporate finance services to middle-market companies. Since 1991, the firm has represented more than 100 clients nationwide and has completed transactions with an aggregate value in excess of \$1 billion (<http://www.crutchfieldcapital.com>). Securities offered through Crutchfield Securities, L.L.C. (Member FINRA/SIPC)

More information regarding The Medicus Firm's services and history may be found at <http://www.themedicusfirm.com> or you may contact Jim Stone, [jstone@themedicusfirm.com](mailto:jstone@themedicusfirm.com), 888-260-4242.