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**Cleary Gull Inc. advises Behrens Manufacturing, LLC in its sale to Gladstone Investment Corporation, Gladstone Capital Corporation, and Management**

Milwaukee, Wisconsin, December 16, 2013: Cleary Gull Inc. is pleased to announce the sale of Behrens Manufacturing, LLC (“Behrens”), a portfolio company of Capital For Business, InvestAmerica Venture Group, and The Mendota Group, to Gladstone Investment Corporation (NASDAQ: GAIN), Gladstone Capital Corporation (NASDAQ: GLAD) (collectively, “the Gladstone Companies” or “Gladstone”), and Management. Cleary Gull acted as exclusive financial advisor to Behrens and its owners in this transaction.

Behrens ([www.behrensmfg.com](http://www.behrensmfg.com)) is a leading and rapidly growing manufacturer and marketer of high quality houseware and outdoor utility products. As the #1 supplier of steel cans, pails, tubs, and watering cans in North America, the company offers the largest breadth of product in its industry. Behrens products are sold primarily through retail channels into the home improvement, hardware, lawn and garden, and farm-supply markets.

Capital For Business, InvestAmerica Venture Group, and The Mendota Group are investors in lower middle-market companies. Capital For Business ([www.capitalforbusiness.com](http://www.capitalforbusiness.com)) is located in St. Louis, Missouri; InvestAmerica Venture Group ([www.investamericaventure.com](http://www.investamericaventure.com)) is located in Cedar Rapids, Iowa; and The Mendota Group ([www.themendotagroup.com](http://www.themendotagroup.com)) is located in Madison, Wisconsin.

The Gladstone Companies ([www.gladstonecompanies.com](http://www.gladstonecompanies.com)) are a family of public and private investment funds that invest in small and medium-sized companies across the capital structure, from second lien and mezzanine debt to equity, as well as real estate financing solutions.

**About Cleary Gull**

Cleary Gull ([www.clearygull.com](http://www.clearygull.com)) is an employee-owned firm headquartered in Milwaukee, Wisconsin providing specialized financial services through two operating divisions: Investment Banking and Investment Management Services. Cleary Gull’s investment bankers help clients achieve their financial and business goals by advising on exclusive sales, mergers, acquisitions, raising private debt and equity capital, and other transactions. Cleary Gull’s core ideology and mantra is “*A Firm Belief in the Entrepreneurial Spirit.*”

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