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FundQuest Chief Investment Officer Tim Clift to Speak at ABA Managed Account Forum

Orlando, FL, March 28, 2007– Tim Clift, Chief Investment Officer of Boston based turnkey asset manager, FundQuest, will speak today at the ABA Managed Account Forum being held in Orlando, Florida. Mr. Clift will be part of a panel discussion that examines how financial advisors within the bank brokerage and private banking channels can effectively leverage technology to enhance productivity within the managed accounts business.

This year's forum, sponsored by the Money Management Institute (MMI), brings together members of the banking and managed account industries to discuss the continuing opportunity managed accounts presents to advisors. According to Clift, "Over the last few years utilization of the managed account has steadily grown within the bank channel. Banks continue to look for ways to leverage platform and overlay management technologies to help more efficiently manage accounts and scale for future growth."

FundQuest's own Unified Managed Account utilizes overlay technology in its proprietary Overlay Portfolio Management process. The overlay manager facilitates the effective management of separate account strategies, mutual funds, and exchange-traded funds in one core account.

About FundQuest

FundQuest is a leading provider of customized turnkey managed investment account solutions to premier financial institutions. The combined US and European operations of FundQuest have \$36 billion in assets under management and administration. Financial institutions leverage FundQuest's flexible menu of wealth management solutions to deliver: mutual fund advisory, separately managed accounts, unified managed accounts, retirement income management, trust services, fee-based brokerage, annuities, exchange-traded funds, and alternative investments.

The company's open technology architecture, objective investment management services, and sales and marketing resources help financial advisors to address their clients' important financial goals. FundQuest's services are offered in the US through FundQuest Incorporated, a Registered Investment Advisor founded in 1993. FundQuest is owned by BNP Paribas, a European leader in banking and financial services, with operations in 85 countries and a significant and growing presence in North America.

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