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CHICAGO-BASED PRISM CAPITAL NAMED PRIVATE EQUITY MANAGER OF THE YEAR

CHICAGO, May 15, 2008 - **Prism Capital's** Mezzanine Fund received the 2008 Private Equity Manager of the Year award at Opal Financial Group's 5th Annual Emerging Managers Summit held in Chicago, May 15-17, 2008. Prism's equity fund was named the Private Equity Manager of the Year in 2007. This event provided a platform to showcase a diverse group of up-and-coming emerging managers and other high-potential smaller investment firms and brought together pension funds, endowments, family offices, and other industry participants.

In front of an audience of almost 400 people **Robert Finkel**, President of Prism Capital accepted the award. "We are thrilled that our Mezzanine Fund was recognized as a 'SEM' or 'small and emerging manager.' Our niche fund investing approach can provide superior risk adjusted returns" Finkel also commented, "People in our business are rarely satisfied, but I must say it does feel good to get an award from some of the most prominent institutional investors in the country for our unique approach and differentiation."

Prism Capital was selected from a national pool of funds by a panel of judges including leading institutional and private investors. Judging decisions were based on performance and qualitative criteria.

About Prism Capital

Chicago-based Prism Capital manages \$190 million across two funds – the Prism Mezzanine Fund which provides subordinated debt to mature industrial companies and the Prism Opportunity Fund which provides expansion capital for growing companies. With a significant presence in the Midwest, the funds currently oversee 26 portfolio companies, having invested in support of internal growth, recapitalizations, mergers, acquisitions and ownership changes.

Prism Capital has assembled the Prism Operating Advisory Board which is made up of current and retired nationally recognized CEO's who serve as a resource to more responsively evaluate transactions as well as assist our portfolio companies post-close. Prism will soon be launching its third fund, Prism Mezzanine Fund II.

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