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SDCERA hires Thomas Williams as Assistant Chief Investment Officer

SAN DIEGO —The San Diego County Employees Retirement Association (SDCERA) announced today the hiring of Thomas Williams as Assistant Chief Investment Officer (ACIO) of the \$10.3 billion public pension fund.

“After a comprehensive, nationwide search, we are pleased to have Tom join SDCERA’s investment team in this important role,” said Stephen Sexauer, SDCERA Chief Investment Officer.

A skilled portfolio manager with extensive investment experience in both the public and private sectors, Williams has broad knowledge of markets, the asset allocation process and work with investment managers. As SDCERA’s ACIO, Williams will assist in overseeing the investment operation for the Trust Fund’s public investments. In addition to the day-to-day operation of SDCERA’s Investment Division, he will also support the work of SDCERA’s Board of Retirement with execution of the Fund’s investment policies, strategy and asset allocation. Williams will report to SDCERA Chief Investment Officer Stephen Sexauer and begin work on May 27.

“I am honored to join SDCERA’s investment team,” said Williams. “Working at growing SDCERA’s Trust Fund for the benefit of the Association’s Members is a tremendous opportunity, one that I am looking forward to.”

Williams is currently an Investment Officer with the City of San Diego, where he serves as a portfolio manager for the \$2 billion City Treasurer’s Pooled Investment Fund and other bond construction and reserve funds. Prior to this role, he served as portfolio manager for the Arizona State Retirement System, directing a more than \$5 billion fixed income program. He has served as president of the CFA Society San Diego, chairperson of the City of San Diego Defined

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Contribution Plan Trustee Board and board member of the Government Investment Officers Association.

Williams holds a B.S. from the University of Arizona and is a CFA charterholder and Certified Treasury Professional.

About SDCERA

The San Diego County Employees Retirement Association (SDCERA) is an independent association established by the County Employees Retirement Law of 1937. SDCERA administers retirement and associated benefits for eligible employees of the County of San Diego and other participating employers, and is responsible for collecting, depositing, investing and managing the retirement funds. The SDCERA team is responsible for the accounting of contributions and investment income under the direction and governance of the Board of Retirement. SDCERA also provides a wide range of member services to more than 40,000 active, deferred and retired members. For more information, please visit www.sdcer.org, or follow us on Twitter: www.twitter.com/sdcera.

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