

PRESS RELEASE

Siena Lending Group Closes a \$78 Million Credit Facility for an Alcoholic Beverages Company

Siena Lending Group LLC ("Siena") is pleased to announce the closing of a \$78 million senior secured credit facility with an alcoholic beverage producer and distributor (the "Company"). The loans are being used to provide additional capital to refinance existing debt and support future growth opportunities.

The Company produces and sells distilled spirits and ready-to-drink cocktails on a private label and contract manufacturing basis, as well as a full line of its own branded products. Privately owned by the founding family for over 70 years, the Company was seeking a financing partner that could provide a flexible solution with added liquidity to complete its turnaround and support new operating initiatives.

About Siena Lending Group:

Siena Lending Group is a leading asset-focused lender providing financing solutions from \$10 to \$100 million across the United States and Canada. We operate across most industry sectors and provide senior secured solutions to privately held middle-market companies and publicly traded industry leaders. Siena has also earned a reputation as a trusted financing partner to private equity firms and other financial sponsors. Since 2012, Siena has consistently found creative ways to provide borrowers with maximum flexibility and liquidity. With deep lending experience and expertise in complex situations, clients know Siena brings the patience and perspective to help them work through challenges and achieve their long-term visions. Siena Healthcare Finance, a specialized division of Siena, is dedicated exclusively to providing financing within the healthcare sector.

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