

# Guidant Timeline

Guidant cofounded by David Nilssen and Jeremy Ames

## 2003

May



Guidant launches program to enable investors to gain checkbook control of their IRA to invest in both traditional and non-traditional investments

## 2004

Apr.

May



Guidant launches program that enables entrepreneurs to tap into retirement funds to finance a business or franchise without taking a distribution

Guidant offers outside legal counsel to clients

Dec.

## 2005

July

Aug.

Nov.

Atlanta office opens

Social Commitment Committee created to give back to the community both financially and in volunteer hours

Business Development Team established to build strategic relationships with business community

## 2006

Jan.

Mar.

June

Concierge department created to offer world class customer service to all clients

Phoenix office opens

Inhouse recordkeeping services are offered by Guidant to reduce costs and better assist clients

Wisconsin office opens

## NuWire INVESTOR™

Guidant forms strategic alliance with NuWire Investor, an online alternative investment magazine allowing clients access to a wealth of investment information

## 2007

Mar.

Apr.

May

June

Sept.

Oct.

Nilssen and Ames named **SBA Young Entrepreneurs of the Year**



Denver Office Opens

Guidant wins **Eastside Small Business Award**



Washington CEO Magazine names Guidant as one of the top **15 Best Small Businesses to Work For**



CEO David Nilssen receives Puget Sound Business Journal's **40 Under 40 award**



Puget Sound Business Journal ranks Guidant 6th **Fastest Growing Private Company** in WA State



Guidant wins U.S. Chamber of Commerce **Small Business of the Year** award