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### **Selby Venture Partners co-founders to be recognized by Pepperdine B-School April 14th**

WEST LOS ANGELES, CA -- April 02, 2007 – Father-and-son Silicon Valley pioneering entrepreneurs Robert C. Marshall and James R. Marshall receive the Distinguished Alumnus Award for outstanding professional accomplishments and contributions to society at commencement ceremonies on Saturday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, from the Graziadio School of Business and Management at Pepperdine University.

The Marshalls co-founded Selby Venture Partners in 1998, a leading seed and early stage venture fund which invests in startup companies developing disruptive, next generation technologies, applications and services for the digital media, Internet, and communications industries. Their leadership has built multiple billion dollar market cap companies and helped Selby's early stage companies raise over \$800 million of follow-on capital from leading institutional and corporate investors.

Robert "Bob" Marshall, MBA class of 1976, is one of the most accomplished and respected senior executives in Silicon Valley, having founded multiple industry technology companies over the past 40 years. He was co-founder and COO of Tandem Computers, a company he helped grow from its inception to over \$2.3 billion in annual revenues before it was sold to Compaq for \$3 billion. Later, Marshall founded and served as chief executive office of Infogear Technology, an Internet telephony start-up, which was acquired by Cisco Systems for \$300 million.

James R. Marshall, MBA class of 1993, formerly served as vice president of the Commercial Software Practice at Silicon Valley Bank, where he worked closely with more than 75 early-stage, emerging growth technology companies. Among Selby portfolio companies, he focuses on investments in software and consumer services, and currently serves on the board of Intellex, Inc. and Tempo Payments, Inc. He also sourced or lead Selby's investments in Blue Pumpkin Software (acquired by Witness Systems), ConsumerReview (acquired by E-centives), and Panopticon (acquired by Kana).

Pepperdine's Graziadio School holds commencement ceremonies at its Malibu campus in the Firestone Fieldhouse courtyard, beginning at 10:30 a.m.