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## 80 Years, Company-Wide Cheers

The folks at an Empire State provider are celebrating eight decades in business, and the company's chief says 2023 will be full of milestone markers.

This year is the **eightieth anniversary** of White Plains, New York-based **Pentegra**, which **soon-to-retire** president and CEO **John Pinto** says is indicative of his team's high-quality offerings.

Pinto is expected to **retire** from the firm at the end of June; **Eric Wietsma** will replace Pinto in the top slot.

Pinto explains that one of his top responsibilities at the moment is getting Wietsma (who already has decades of retirement industry experience) acclimated to Pentegra's model and "what makes us a little bit different."

"We fill a need out there in the marketplace for someone to be the fiduciary for these plans," Pinto tells **401kWire**. "We were fiduciaries before ERISA was even formed!"

The Pentegra team will host virtual events, send out press releases, and kick off social media campaigns throughout the year. Most of these initiatives, Pinto notes, were organized by **Maria Siegel**, vice president in marketing and communications.

Siegel writes to **401kWire**, "I think we are most proud of our legacy as an institutional fiduciary. Being a fiduciary has been an integral part of who we are as an organization since our founding in 1943."

"Our clients enjoy the confidence that comes from uncompromised and objective oversight," she continues. "That guides our team in all that they do and it is certainly something that we are very proud of as an organization."

"We will be celebrating our 80th anniversary virtually with all of our employees across the country in March and we are very excited about that!" Siegel adds.

In the second quarter of 2023, Pinto explains, "We're going to do what we call a *PENTalk*, where we talk with our clients and advisors."

He concludes, "There aren't many companies — across all industries — that can really lay claim to that fact, that they've been here for eighty years. And eighty years of doing the exact same thing: being, first and foremost, a fiduciary."

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