

Two LPL Financial Advisory Teams Named Among Barron's Top Institutional Consultants

CHARLOTTE, N.C. - April 28, 2016 - Leading retail investment advisory firm and independent broker/dealer [LPL Financial](#) LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of LPL Financial Holdings Inc. (NASDAQ: LPLA), today announced that two LPL-supported advisory teams were ranked among the Top Institutional Consultants by *Barron's*, a leading financial magazine. Sheridan Road Financial of Northbrook, Ill., was ranked No. 4, and Retirement Benefits Group of San Diego was ranked No. 5, on the list of 30 teams.

The second annual list ranks firms that guide institutional investing for large organizations, such as pensions, endowments, foundations and defined-contribution plans, based on a range of criteria. Firms were evaluated based on the institutional investment assets overseen by each team, revenue generated by those assets, the number of clients served by the team, the number of team members and their regulatory records as well as advanced professional designations and accomplishments represented on the team.

"We congratulate the Sheridan Road Financial and Retirement Benefits Group teams for this recognition of their exceptional work supporting institutional clients by managing retirement plans," said Dan Arnold, LPL Financial President. "We are proud to support them in their work, which enables more Americans to prepare for a successful retirement, and we wish them continued success."

The full *Barron's* Top Institutional Consultants list can be found at [Barrons.com](#).

About LPL Financial

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