

LPL Financial Advisors Ranked Among The Best In The Industry Nationwide

SAN DIEGO - April 20, 2015 - LPL Financial LLC, the nation's largest independent broker-dealer*, a custodian for registered investment advisors (RIAs), and a wholly owned subsidiary of LPL Financial Holdings Inc. (NASDAQ: LPLA), today announced that three independent advisors affiliated with LPL Financial were ranked among the Top 100 Financial Advisors in America by Barron's, a leading financial magazine.

Top-ranking LPL-affiliated advisors include:

- Ron Carson, Carson Wealth Management Group, Omaha, Nebraska, #13
- Laila Pence, Pence Wealth Management, Newport Beach, California, #73
- Susan Kaplan, Kaplan Financial Services, Newton, Massachusetts, #91

"On behalf of LPL, we congratulate Laila, Susan and Ron for once again being included in this distinguished list," said Dan Arnold, president of LPL Financial. "Their work and dedication in helping their clients turn their life aspirations into financial realities is exemplary."

Selection for the list is based on data provided by financial advisors across the country, evaluating volume of assets under management, revenue generated for an advisor's firm and the overall quality of their practice.

The full Barron's Top 100 Financial Advisors for 2015 list can be found at Barrons.com.

*Based on total revenues, Financial Planning magazine, June 1996-2014

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