



HIGHTOWER'S PAUL PAGNATO & RICHARD SAPERSTEIN RANK AMONG *BARRON'S* TOP 100 FINANCIAL ADVISORS

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CHICAGO — April 21, 2015 — *Barron's* honors two members of the HighTower community on its "Top 100 Financial Advisors for 2015" list: Paul Pagnato, Partner and Managing Director of HighTower's Reston, Virginia-based Pagnato-Karp (ranked 82), and Richard Saperstein, Managing Director, Principal and Chief Investment Officer of HighTower's Treasury Partners in New York City, (ranked 6).

"The percentage of HighTower advisors on *Barron's* Top Lists exceeds that of any other firm in the industry," said Elliot Weissbluth, HighTower CEO. "Paul and Richard exemplify the caliber of advisor that belongs to our exclusive community."

Barron's publishes its annual "Top 100 Financial Advisors" ranking to recognize advisors who demonstrate exceptional performance, client service, professionalism and community involvement. Selection criteria include assets under management, revenue generated for the advisors' firms, and the quality of advisors' practices.

2015 marks Mr. Pagnato's third consecutive appearance on the *Barron's* Top 100 list. He joined HighTower in 2011 after more than 19 years with Merrill Lynch, where he was a member of the firm's Private Banking & Investment office in Washington, DC. The team specializes in meeting the unique needs of the nation's ultra-affluent individuals and their families and oversees more than \$2 billion in client assets.

Mr. Saperstein has more than 30 years of experience in the financial services sector and has made the *Barron's* Top 100 list 11 times since it launched in 2004. He joined HighTower in 2009, after J.P. Morgan acquired his previous employer, Bear Stearns, where he and his team established and oversaw the Cash Management Group. One of the earliest HighTower pioneers, Mr. Saperstein has also been a Board participant for the past five years. His team delivers a broad array of conservative investment management services to corporations, endowments, family offices, foundations, and private investors.

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