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HIGHTOWER GROWS NEW YORK HEADQUARTERS WITH LCK WEALTH MANAGEMENT

CHICAGO, IL – November 25, 2013 – HighTower, the nation's destination of choice for entrepreneurial advisors seeking greater independence and practice control, announces the transition of LCK Wealth Management to the HighTower partnership. This is the third advisor team HighTower has transitioned in as many weeks.

"This past month has given us an unprecedented opportunity to expand our partnership with some of the country's most talented advisors," said Michael LaMena, President of HighTower. "Laurie's team combines the dedication to client service and adherence to accountability that define the HighTower brand, and we welcome them to our partnership."

LCK Wealth Management is led by Laurie C. Kamhi, CFP®, CIMA®, who joins HighTower as Partner and Managing Director. The practice specializes in combining personalized wealth management strategies with forward-thinking investment services for families, trusts, foundations, charitable organizations and other non-profit entities. In addition to Ms. Kamhi, the team includes Senior Financial Analyst Christine Torrey and Senior Private Wealth Associate Karman Tong.

Ms. Kamhi has more than 30 years of experience in investing, private wealth management and institutional trading and sales. Her team manages \$320 million in client assets, and takes a selective approach to its client base, ensuring they can devote sufficient time and resources to every client.

LCK Wealth Management was previously part of Merrill Lynch Wealth Management's Private Banking & Investment Group. The team is the 41st team to transition to the HighTower partnership since the firm's inception in 2008, and is based in HighTower's New York headquarters.

"HighTower allows us to build on the white-glove service and commitment to bottom-line results that define our team, while integrating the support of an entire partnership," Ms. Kamhi said. "They uphold a higher standard, committed to innovation and accountability – for clients, for advisors and for the entire firm."

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