

HIGHTOWER NAMED TO CRAIN'S CHICAGO FAST 50 FOR SECOND YEAR

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CHICAGO —**June 29, 2017** — HighTower appears for the second year in a row on Crain's Chicago's list of the 50 fastest-growing local companies: http://www.chicagobusiness.com/section/fast-50. HighTower ranks 40th on the 2017 list.

"Growth is a pillar of the HighTower culture, and we are immensely proud of our Chicago roots," said Elliot Weissbluth, CEO, HighTower. "Over the last ten years, we went from having one small office in the West Loop to nearly 500 employees in 28 states. It's an honor to be named one of the Fast 50 again this year."

HighTower just concluded its strongest first half of a year in the company's history. The firm completed a total of 21 transactions in the first 6 months of 2017. This includes financial advisor teams acquired as part of WealthTrust, HighTower's largest acquisition ever, announced in April.

The Crain's Chicago Fast 50 includes companies headquartered in the seven-county area of Cook, DuPage, Kane, Lake, McHenry and Will in Illinois and Lake County in Indiana, with 2016 revenue of at least \$15 million. Qualifying applicants also had to demonstrate revenue growth from 2015-16 and no more than one year of declining revenue at any point from 2011-15.

About HighTower

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