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HIGHTOWER EXPANDS CALIFORNIA-BASED NETWORK TEAM

Veteran Advisor Doug Conklin Joins Former Colleague Jason Ezzell to Form Ezzell-Conklin Group in Sacramento

CHICAGO, IL – December 8, 2014 – HighTower announces that Doug Conklin will join the HighTower Network’s Ezzell Group to form the Ezzell-Conklin Group, based in Sacramento, CA. The Ezzell team, which includes Jason Ezzell, Alec Fisher and Gina Clark, joined the HighTower Network in May of 2014.

“The Network continues to drive HighTower’s growth across the country, allowing us to be the essential strategic partner to top advisors regardless of location,” said Michael Parker, National Director, Enterprise Development. “This unique model of independence attracts fiduciary-minded advisors like Doug and Jay who seek to run – and grow – a practice that reflects their values and business goals.”

Mr. Conklin, who joins the Ezzell-Conklin Group as a Managing Director, is transitioning \$225 million in assets under management, increasing the practice’s total assets under advisement to approximately \$525 million. He was previously First Vice President and a founding partner of the CES Group at Merrill Lynch, where he began his career in wealth management in 1983. In 1993, he began running the Morning Stock Report for KXTV Channel 10. Mr. Conklin is a graduate of the Naval Academy, where he was named to the All-American Soccer Team and subsequently tried out for the U.S. Olympic soccer team.

“As a long-time friend and colleague of Doug’s, I know how deeply aligned he is with HighTower’s philosophy and culture of putting the client’s best interests first,” said Mr. Ezzell. “I’m thrilled that HighTower has recognized his wealth of experience and talent by recruiting him to the Network channel.”

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