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FINANCIAL ADVISORS KIMBERLEE BOUSKA, LAURA PEDRONCELLI AND KASHA MCLEMORE NAMED TO FORBES’ 2020 TOP WOMEN WEALTH ADVISOR LIST

ROCKLIN, CALIF. – AUGUST 31, 2020 – Raymond James Financial Services, Inc. and Addison Avenue Investment Services, the investment services division of First Tech Federal Credit Union, are pleased to announce that Financial Advisors Kimberlee Bouska, Laura Pedroncelli, and Kasha McLemore, were named to Forbes’ 2020 Best-In-State Wealth Advisors list. The list recognizes standout wealth advisors from national, regional and independent firms.

This is the first year advisors with Addison Avenue have appeared on the Forbes list, which was developed by SHOOK Research in 2017 to recognize top women advisors across the country. The ranking is based on qualitative and quantitative data, weighing factors including revenue, assets under management, compliance records, industry experience and best practices learned through telephone and in-person interviews.

Each recipient has made a profound impact on financial services by dedicating herself to the financial empowerment of women. All three women have won multiple awards for providing the highest quality of services to their clients.

Bouska is a CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER™ professional, the industry standard of excellence for competent and ethical personal financial planning, and has more than 20 years of experience in financial advising. In addition to this award, she is also a 2020 Forbes Best-in-State Wealth Advisor and a Top Wealth Advisor Mom, recognized by Working Mother Magazine for the last three years.

With over 23 years in the industry, Pedroncelli is dedicated to educating clients about the importance of women’s financial knowledge. She is also a 2020 Forbes Best-in-State Wealth Advisor, and has been named to Bank Investment Consultant’s (BIC’s) Top 100 Advisors list for the past three years in a row.

In addition to being a Forbes Top Woman, McLemore, who joined Addison Avenue in 2011 has more than 18 years of experience in the financial services industry. She focuses on helping clients succeed financially by developing investment plans and strategies consistent with their long-term goals. She was also named to the Forbes Next Generation Wealth Advisor list in 2019.

"Congratulations to each of our advisors for this outstanding achievement," Addison Avenue President and Investment Executive, Scott Jenner said. "We are committed to making Addison Avenue the most admired investment services provider in our industry."

The full list of Forbes Top Women Wealth Advisors can be found here.

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because client objectives and risk tolerances vary, and advisors rarely have audited performance reports. Rankings are based on the opinions of SHOOK Research, LLC. For more information see www.SHOOKresearch.com. Data as of 3/31/2019. From a total universe of 300,000 advisors, based on our thresholds we received 30,691 nominations, of which approximately 20% (6,000) were women and less than half (< 3,000) at the time were mothers with children under the age of 21 and living at home. A final list of the top 400 advisors was then compiled based upon the quantitative criteria. Raymond James is not affiliated with Working Mother or Shook Research, LLC. This ranking is not indicative of advisor's future performance, is not an endorsement, and may not be representative of individual clients' experience. Neither Raymond James nor any of its Financial Advisors orRIA firms pay a fee in exchange for this award/rating.

To compile the list, multiple variables were combined into one composite score. The six categories used are: (1) assets under management; (2) trailing-12 month production; (3) percentage increase in AUM from the previous year; (4) percentage increase in T-12 production; (5) amount of fee business; and (6) the ratio of production-per-AUM. (Note: 2018 AUM was defined as the amount an advisor had as of Aug. 31, 2018. Likewise, for T-12 production, the 12-month period ending Aug. 31, 2018 was used.) The nominees were ranked by each of the six categories and then six different scores were calculated based on where they ranked. Those six scores were used to Compile the final list. The ranking may not be representative of any one client's experience, is not an endorsement, and is not indicative of advisor's future performance. Neither Raymond James nor any of its Financial Advisors pay a fee in exchange for this award/rating. BIC is not affiliated with Raymond James.

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