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LAURA PEDRONCELLI COMPLETES ADVANCED ESTATE PLANNING INSTITUTE PROGRAM

Santa Rosa, Calif. – Sept. 23, 2014 - Laura Pedroncelli recently completed the Advanced Estate Planning Institute Program. Pedroncelli is a Raymond James Financial Advisor located at Addison Avenue Investment Services, the investment services program of First Tech Federal Credit Union, and is affiliated with the Financial Institutions Division of Raymond James Financial Services, Inc. (RJFS) member FINRA/SIPC.

The Advanced Estate Planning Institute (AEPI) is a three-day program for Financial Advisors on developing strategies and recognizing opportunities within the estate planning, philanthropy and wealth management process and how to leverage this new knowledge to serve the needs of their clients. Among the topics covered are the changing federal estate tax* laws, strategies for high-net-worth families, long-term care alternatives, irrevocable trusts and charitable techniques.

"Through this program, our Financial Advisors gain a deeper and broader understanding of the estate planning process and strategies to facilitate the passing of wealth while potentially minimizing the impact of taxes for high-net-worth families," said Patrick Daxon, Vice President of Raymond James' Wealth, Retirement & Portfolio Solutions group.

The Raymond James Institute of Finance provides ongoing education and professional development for the firm's more than 6,000 financial advisors and their assistants. The institute's wide-ranging curriculum encompasses many technical disciplines in the financial services industry. It is designed to enable the Financial Advisor to recognize, quantify, illustrate and solve financial planning problems of clients and prospects and is a key to providing high quality advice and superior customer service.

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