



# FINANCIAL TIMES HIGHLIGHTS NINE HIGHTOWER TEAMS ON 2015 TOP 300 RIAs LIST

HIGHTOWER EXPANDS PRESENCE FROM FIVE TEAMS FEATURED IN 2014

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**CHICAGO — June 18, 2015** — The **2015 FT 300**, a ranking of the nation's top Registered Investment Advisors compiled by the Financial Times, includes nine HighTower teams:

- **HighTower Bellevue** – Bellevue, Wash.
- **HighTower Las Vegas** – Henderson, Nev.
- **HighTower Twickenham** – Huntsville, Ala.
- **HSW Advisors at HighTower** – New York, N.Y.
- **Morse, Towey and White Group at HighTower** – New York, N.Y.
- **Pagnato Karp at HighTower** – Reston, Va.
- **The Lerner Group at HighTower** – Deerfield, Ill.
- **The McGuirk & De Nevi Group at HighTower** – Menlo Park, Calif.
- **VWG Wealth Management at HighTower** – Vienna, Va.

More than 2,000 independent RIA firms applied for inclusion on the 2015 list. To qualify, firms must manage \$300 million or more in assets, no more than 75 percent of which can be institutional. The Financial Times evaluated each practice according to criteria including AUM, AUM growth, years in existence, industry certifications of staff, SEC compliance record, and online accessibility.

“The Financial Times’ recognition of these nine teams reflects our high standards for HighTower membership and the caliber of professional that we invite to join our firm,” said HighTower CEO Elliot Weissbluth. “The HighTower culture fosters a degree of collaboration among top-performing advisors that is exclusive within the financial industry.”

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