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LANCE ARMSTRONG NAMED ONE OF THE NATION'S TOP 100 BANK ADVISORS BY *BANK INVESTMENT CONSULTANT MAGAZINE*

Hope, NJ- January 18, 2016 – Lance Armstrong has been named as one of Bank Investment Consultant (BIC) magazine's Top 100 Bank Advisors for 2015, making this the 3rd time he has been recognized on this list. Armstrong is a Raymond James financial advisor located at First Hope Bank in Andover, and is affiliated with the Financial Institutions Division of Raymond James Financial Services, Inc. (RJFS) member FINRA/SIPC.

"I'm humbled and honored to be included on this prestigious list as it considers many aspects of my investment services practice and represents a comprehensive analysis."

The magazine evaluated the honorees on six variables, including assets under management, production, asset growth, percentage of fee business, growth in production and production-per-assets. Armstrong joins seven other financial advisors affiliated with Raymond James on this prestigious list, compiled annually by *Bank Investment Consultant*.

John W. Houston, managing director of the Financial Institutions Division at Raymond James, stated, "Being named to the BIC Top 100 Bank Advisors list is a great achievement, and everyone at Raymond James congratulates Lance. Being included on this list is a testament to his dedication and success and is symbolic of the quality service provided by Lance and his financial institution."

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