



**Lara, May & Associates**

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## **LMA Named to 2015 Financial Times 300 Top Registered Investment Advisors**

**June 18, 2015** – Lara, May & Associates, LLC (LMA) is pleased to announce that it has been named to the Financial Times 300 Top Registered Investment Advisors, as of June 18, 2015. The list recognizes top independent RIA firms from across the U.S.

This is the second annual FT 300 list, produced independently by the FT in collaboration with Ignites Research, a subsidiary of the FT that provides business intelligence on the investment management industry. More than 2,000 elite RIA firms were invited to apply for consideration, based on their assets under management (AUM). The 630 RIA firms that applied were then graded six criteria: AUM; AUM growth rate; years in existence; advanced industry credentials; online accessibility; and compliance records.

“We are honored to be named to the list,” said LMA President, Ron Lara. “The Financial Times is regarded internationally as a top business news source and this inclusion means a lot to our firm.”

The “average” FT 300 firm has been in existence for 23 years and manages \$2.6 billion in assets. The 300 top RIAs hail from 34 states and Washington, D.C., and, on average, saw their total AUM rise by 18% in 2014.

The FT 300 is one in series of rankings of top advisors that the FT developed in partnership with Ignites Research: the FT 401 (DC retirement plan advisors); the FT 400 (financial advisors from traditional broker-dealer firms); and the FT 100 (women financial advisors).

### **About Lara, May & Associates, LLC**

Lara, May & Associates, LLC (LMA) has provided comprehensive wealth management services since 1981. Our dedicated, seasoned professionals strive for exceptional client service, focusing on putting clients’ best interest first and building long-term relationships. Headquartered in Falls Church, VA, our clients span the U.S. and internationally. In 2007, LMA joined Focus Financial Partners, LLC, the leading international partnership of independent, fiduciary wealth management firms.

### **About the Financial Times**

The Financial Times, one of the world’s leading business news organizations, is recognized internationally for its authority, integrity and accuracy. Providing essential news, comment, data and analysis for the global business community, the FT has a combined paid print and digital circulation of 744,000 (Deloitte assured, Q1 2015). Mobile is an increasingly important channel for the FT, driving almost 50 per cent of total traffic. FT education products now serve two thirds of the world’s top 50 business schools.

### **FT 300 Disclosure**

The 2015 Financial Times Top 300 Registered Investment Advisors is an independent listing produced by the Financial Times (June, 2015). The FT 300 is based on data gathered from RIA firms, regulatory disclosures, and the FT's research. As identified by the FT, the listing reflected each practice's performance in six primary areas, including assets under management, asset growth, compliance record, years in existence, credentials and accessibility. Neither the RIA firms nor their employees pay a fee to The Financial Times in exchange for inclusion in the FT 300.