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MLAKAR AND SAAR RECOGNIZED AS ONE OF LPL FINANCIAL'S TOP FINANCIAL ADVISORS

SHANNON, Illinois — January 27, 2023 – Cassandre Mlakar and Robin Wilhelms Saar, both independent LPL Financial advisors at FSB Wealth Group located at First State Bank Shannon-Polo-Lake Carroll, today announced their inclusion in LPL's Freedom Club. With more than 21,000 LPL-affiliated advisors nationwide, LPL awards this distinction to select advisors based upon their business success*.

"On behalf of LPL, I'm thrilled to congratulate Cassandre and Robin," said Pete Dorsey, LPL Executive Vice President, Institution Services Relationship Management. "It is an honor to support FSB Wealth Group with the technological infrastructure, integrated products and differentiated services that help advisors run a thriving practice. We wish Cassandre and Robin and their entire team even greater success as they continue to help their clients work towards their financial goals in the years ahead."

Mlakar and Saar are both affiliated with LPL Financial, a leading wealth management firm. LPL provides the resources, tools and technology that support advisors in their work to enrich their clients' financial lives.

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About LPL Financial:

LPL Financial (Nasdaq: LPLA) was founded on the principle that the firm should work for the advisor, and not the other way around. Today, LPL is a leader in the markets we serve**, supporting more than 21,000 financial advisors, including advisors at approximately 1,100 institution-based investment programs and at approximately 500 registered investment advisor ("RIA") firms nationwide. We are steadfast in our commitment to the advisor-centered model and the belief that Americans deserve access to personalized guidance from a financial advisor. At LPL, independence means that advisors have the freedom they deserve to choose the business model, services, and technology resources that allow them to run their perfect practice. And they have the freedom to manage their client relationships because they know their clients best. Simply put, we take care of our advisors, so they can take care of their clients.

*Achievement is based on top 15% of annual production among LPL Advisors only.

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2022 Kehrer Bielan Research & Consulting Annual TPM Report). Fortune 500 as of June 2021.

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