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## Steve Stocker of Investment Partners Honored in *Barron's* Top 1,200 Financial Advisors for 2017

New Philadelphia, Ohio (March 2017)—Investment Partners, LTD, a Registered Investment Advisor with offices in New Philadelphia, Dublin, Mentor, and Millersburg, Ohio, today announces that its CEO, Steve Stocker, has been named to *Barron's* list of America's Top 1,200 Financial Advisors for 2017. Ranked among other advisors named to the list within the state of Ohio, Steve ranked #11 of 30. He was ranked #13 of 30 in 2016 and #11 of 30 in 2015 and 2014. The <u>Barron's Top 1,200</u> is the magazine's largest, most comprehensive annual ranking of advisors that the publication runs.

Steve celebrates more than 20 years as a founding partner of Investment Partners, where he creates customized financial plans designed to protect clients' existing assets and successfully pursue financial life and legacy goals. Together, Steve and the team at Investment Partners have 300 years of combined service in the financial services industry, with over \$879 million in assets under advisement. This marks Steve's 8<sup>th</sup> year to be honored in the *Barron's* Top 1,200 Financial Advisors.

"I extend my most sincere congratulations to Steve for, once again, ranking among this elite and sought-after list of industry leaders," said Wayne Bloom, CEO of Commonwealth Financial Network®, Steve's broker/dealer–RIA. "Year-over-year, Steve proves his ability to adapt to the market with his clients' needs first and foremost—providing personalized, world class service that has earned the respect of his peers and the trust of his loyal clientele. We are pleased to see Steve recognized for his work and remain dedicated to supporting Investment Partners' needs."

To compile its annual list, *Barron's*, a leading financial publication, uses data provided by some of the nation's most productive advisors. *Barron's* takes a number of criteria<sup>(1)</sup> into account for this state-by-state ranking, including assets under management<sup>(2)</sup>; revenues generated by advisors for their firms; quality of practices, which includes examination of regulatory records; and philanthropic work. Overall, 3,000 advisors were considered, and 1,200 (40 percent of candidates) were recognized. The list includes both Registered Investment Advisers and Investment Adviser Representatives; some states may include more advisors than others, in proportion to state populations. This award is not indicative of the wealth manager's future performance. Your experience may vary.

- (1) Investment performance is not a criterion.
- (2) Managed through Commonwealth.

## About Investment Partners

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