

Financial Times Ranks HBKS Among Top U.S. RIAs

June 18, 2015 – For the second consecutive year, HBKS[®] Wealth Advisors (HBKS) has been named to the *Financial Times* 300 Top Registered Investment Advisors (RIA). The list recognizes top independent RIA firms from across the United States. RIAs in the U.S. are bound by fiduciary standards set by the Securities and Exchange Commission, including the obligation to operate always in their clients’ best interests.

“We are pleased to be included in this prestigious collection of firms,” noted HBKS Principal Chris Allegretti. “The *Financial Times* Top RIA 300 is a good starting point for an investor looking for a capable, reliable advisor with a superior track record.”

This is the second annual “FT 300” list. It is produced independently by the *Financial Times* in collaboration with Ignites Research, a subsidiary of the *Financial Times* 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 according to six criteria: AUM; AUM growth rate; years in existence; advanced industry credentials; online accessibility; and compliance records.

HBKS is the wealth management business of HBK CPAs & Consultants (HBK), offering the collective intelligence of more than 350 professionals in a wide range of tax, accounting, audit, business advisory, valuation, financial planning, wealth management and support services from 13 offices in Pennsylvania, Ohio, New Jersey and Florida. As an RIA, HBKS operates in accordance with the highest ethical standards and according to the strictest interpretation of fiduciary responsibility.