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WOMEN IN INSURANCE & FINANCIAL SERVICES ANNOUNCES 2020 CIRCLE OF EXCELLENCE QUALIFIERS

ALBANY, NY – Women in Insurance & Financial Services (WIFS) has announced the 2020 Circle of Excellence qualifiers. Qualifiers will be recognized for their high achievements on October 22 during the 2020 WIFS National Conference, a virtual event.

WIFS Circle of Excellence is a voluntary recognition program for members who achieve significant income levels in the insurance and financial services industry. This prestigious recognition is based on annual production for the previous year. This year, 57 members submitted qualification for this distinction with reported combined income of \$21 million.

“I am so proud of this year’s prestigious group of Circle of Excellence,” said 2020 National President Dawn Wolfram. “This initiative is so much more than an awards program, it presents a collective opportunity for us to celebrate the success of our members while simultaneously showing the industry what women in the profession are capable of achieving.”

Following is the list of 2020 Circle of Excellence qualifiers who opted to be recognized publicly:

Number of Qualifiers by Level:

Tanzanite | \$2,000,000+

Karen DeRose

Diamond | \$1,000,000 - \$2,000,000

Karen Poore

Emerald | \$750,000 - \$1,000,000

Lisa Boyer, Cynthia Dicciani, Christina Nash

Sapphire | \$500,000 - \$750,000

Susan Combs, Tara Garvin Clark, Michele Greene, Kelly Hoff, Nancy Wolfe-Smith, Karen Roberts

Ruby | \$250,000 - \$500,000

Christina Aleckson, Melinda Aven, Melissa Barnickel, Carri Berger, Anne Clayton, Ellen Donahue, Susan Ellis, Caroline Emswiller, Pamela Gilmour, Nicole Loughlin, Juli McNeely, Christy Neill, Jill Pietrusinski, Sherri Rush, Sarah Rush, Sheila Stith, Leanne Via, Lucila Williams, April Wilson, Carey Yukich

Pearl | \$125,000 - \$250,000

Lilia Arandela, Jennifer Bacarella, Karry Ballinger, Alyson Burkett, Avigail Curry, Laura Davis, Laurie Dubow, Mindy Helfrich, Carolyn Humphrey, Lori Niermann, Ashleigh Rothhammer Johnson, Leslea Stock-Lopez, Holly Thomas

Topaz | \$75,000 - \$125,000

Carol Brian, Rosetta Conigliaro, Margaret Crossland, Mounira Dadou, Marcy David, Darlene Hanes, Katherine Kimball, Angela Ribuffo, Carol Sexton, Grace Staten

About WIFS

More than 80 years strong, [Women in Insurance & Financial Services](#), headquartered in Albany, NY, is an association of financial services professionals working together to attract, develop and advance women. They champion career opportunities, provide professional development and represent women's interests to the profession. Membership is composed of industry leaders, client facing and allied professionals who benefit from national and local chapter services. Their vision is to be the global change leader inspiring women to achieve their dreams.

WIFS members receive value from monthly education programs, local chapters across the country, an annual national conference, professional development and corporate partnerships.

For more information about WIFS and upcoming programs, visit WIFSnational.org or contact Kelly Cartwright, executive director, at 866-264-9437.

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