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**WOMEN IN INSURANCE & FINANCIAL SERVICES NAMES ANGELA RIBUFFO
2022 WOMAN OF THE YEAR**

ALBANY, NY – Women in Insurance & Financial Services (WIFS) has announced Angela Ribuffo, RICP[®], CFP[®], ChFC[®], CDFA[®], CLTC[®] is its 2022 Woman of the Year.

Ms. Ribuffo was chosen from a field of eight nominees by a vote of those in attendance at WIFS' 2022 National Conference, held September 29-October 1 in Phoenix, AZ.

The Woman of the Year award recognizes a WIFS member for their level of engagement with the association. This includes, but is not limited to serving as a mentor, volunteering to serve on a task force or participating in WIFS programs.

Ms. Ribuffo has been a member of WIFS since 2010 and served as national president in 2018. She is also a past president and active member of WIFS' Alaska Chapter. She served as special advisor to the 2022 national president and has participated in WIFS' mentorship program for 10 years, including leading both sessions of the program this year.

Ms. Ribuffo is the founder and president of Raion Financial Strategies LLC and a registered representative with Lincoln Financial Securities. She entered the financial services field in 2008 after a career as a U.S. Air Force flight nurse, a college instructor, and a consultant to the U.S. Department

of Defense working on quality of life issues for service members and civilian DoD personnel.

Her selection as WIFS' Woman of the Year is only the latest in a long string of awards and honors Ms. Ribuffo has received. Earlier this year, she was honored by InvestmentNews as the Diversity Equality and Inclusion See It, Be It Role Model for her contributions in continuing to raise awareness of the needs of women financial professionals and people of color in the finance industry. She has also been a recipient of WIFS' ANGEL (Assistance, Nurture, Guidance, Ethics, Leadership) Award, an InvestmentNews Woman to Watch and an inductee into the Anchorage Athena Society.

In addition to her work with WIFS, she has volunteered with The American College of Financial Services Conference of African American Financial Professionals; chairs Lincoln Financial's WISE Group (Women Inspiring, Supporting and Educating); serves on the Certified Financial Planner Board's Women's Initiative Council; and is a forum facilitator for the Financial Planning Association's mentorship program.

“By definition, a servant leader is someone who listens with empathy, who has foresight, is a good steward, and whose awareness is conceptual. Angie embodies all these characteristics and leveraged all of them to support the efforts of the Association and the National Board of Directors in 2022,” said Darlene Flagg, WIFS' 2022 national president, who nominated Ms. Ribuffo for Woman of the Year. “She is dedicated to attracting, developing, and advancing women in the financial services industry. She is a strong proponent of education and mentoring as a tool to help women take their business to the next level.

“She has a passion for leading others to be the best version of themselves while creating comprehensive financial plans so that her clients may have a successful financial journey.”

“I am pleased and humbled to be selected as WIFS' 2022 Woman of the Year,” Ms. Ribuffo said.

“Being part of this organization has allowed me not only to grow professionally but to support other women in their career journeys. If each of us could support at least one other woman, then we could dominate this industry in talent, finances and knowledge.”

About WIFS

More than 85 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 the 2022 WIFS Woman of the Year Award, contact Darlene Flagg at flaggdwifs@gmail.com. For more information about WIFS and its upcoming programs, visit WIFSnational.org or email office@wifsnational.org.



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