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Fort Washington Appoints New Senior Wealth Planner

CINCINNATI – Sept. 9, 2015 – Fort Washington Investment Advisors, Inc. (Fort Washington) named Kate C. Brown, CFP® senior wealth planner of its Private Client Group.

Brown joined the firm in early August and will focus on the holistic wealth planning needs of high-net-worth individuals. With more than 13 years of experience, she brings a unique goals-based planning approach that assists in developing a comprehensive solution to meeting clients' long-term goals.

"Kate exemplifies and supports our team's mission by striving to provide our clients with the best possible advice and peace of mind while serving the community," said Steve Mullin, managing director and head of Private Client Group.

Kate most recently served as a wealth planner at The Private Client Reserve of U.S. Bank where she received the Reserve Elite Award in 2012. She began her financial planning career in Virginia and her experience ranges across all aspects of client relationships including retirement and estate planning, tax preparation, and portfolio construction.

She earned a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration with concentrations in International Business and Marketing and a Spanish minor from the University of Richmond. She is a CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER™ professional and has received several accolades including being recognized in 2013 by *Venue* magazine in its "40 Under 40" issue and was selected as a participant in the 2014 YWCA Rising Star leadership program class.

In addition to her work experience, Brown serves on the finance committee of the Cincinnati Area Senior Services and is a member of Encore, the young professional group of the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra. She is also part of the United Way of Greater Cincinnati Emerging Leaders Program. Brown, her husband, and young daughter reside in Mariemont.

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