

Sheryl Garrett Named “Top 25 Most Influential” 4th Consecutive Year

As a member of the nationally-recognized Garrett Planning Network, I am pleased to announce that Sheryl Garrett has been named for the 4th year in a row to Investment Advisor magazine’s “Top 25 Most Influential” list.

Sheryl is in good company – standing along side industry influentials such as Deena Katz, president of Evensky & Katz Wealth Management; Deb McWhinney, president of Schwab Institutional; Dan Moisand, chairman of the Financial Planning Association’s national board; Lori Richards, head of the SEC’s Office of Compliance, Inspections and Examinations; and Mary Schapiro, chairman and CEO of the NASD.

It’s also impressive that Sheryl and top industry consultant Mark Tibergien are the only two people to have been honored on this elite list for all four years (since the list’s inception in 2003).

If you are a subscriber to Investment Advisor magazine, here is how you can read the feature article, **Making the Future Happen:**

http://www.investmentadvisor.com/issues/2006_5/cover_story/6317-1.html

In case you don’t subscribe to this top industry publication, here is Sheryl’s profile in the IA Top 25 write-up:

Sheryl Garrett’s financial planning philosophy is simple: “Hit ’em where they ain’t, boys,” she says, quoting Susan Sarandon in Bull Durham. “I focused on a need where the competition wasn’t.”

Six years ago, Garrett, 43, created the Garrett Planning Network, a group of advisors (now 260 strong) who offer financial planning—not asset management—for an hourly rate that ranges from \$150-\$300. The network is designed to help people with middle incomes afford planning their finances. “No one should have to apologize for where they are in life,” Garrett says. “If they have \$4.35 or \$435 million, it shouldn’t matter. I charge by the hour or by the project. Everyone has questions about money and everyone has needs. You don’t go into the doctor and get charged more because you weigh more.”

Garrett stopped seeing clients in 2004 and now helps advisors tailor their practices to meet her model by using the templates, processes, and educational tools she provides.

About The Garrett Planning Network, Inc.

The Garrett Planning Network, Inc. is an international affiliation of professional, fee-only financial advisors. Network members are dedicated to providing

competent, objective financial advice to people from all walks of life, on an hourly as-needed or per-project basis. The network has been profiled hundreds of times in major publications, on the Web, radio and television. For four consecutive years, Investment Advisor magazine has named founder, Sheryl Garrett, “one of the top 25 most influential people in the financial planning industry.” For more information, visit www.GarrettPlanningNetwork.com.

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