

## CFA Society Los Angeles Welcomes New Charterholders to Financial Industry

Local investment professionals demonstrate commitment to shaping a more trustworthy financial industry

**Los Angeles, November 16**<sup>th</sup>, **2016** – CFA Society Los Angeles (CFALA), the local member society of CFA Institute, the global association of investment professionals that sets the highest standards of ethics, education, and professional excellence, announced that 159 local investment professionals have earned the prestigious CFA (Chartered Financial Analyst) designation.

"The investment professionals who we honor today have the potential to shape a more trustworthy financial industry that better serves society," said Nathaniel Downes, CFA. "These new charterholders have shown a continued commitment to professional integrity, education and trust in finance. We welcome them as they join the CFA Institute and CFA Society Los Angeles' global effort to create an environment where investors' interests come first, markets function at their best, and economies grow."

To earn the CFA charter, candidates must sequentially pass three six-hour exams that are widely considered to be the most rigorous in the investment profession. The <u>CFA curriculum</u> includes ethical and professional standards; financial reporting and analysis; corporate finance; economics; quantitative methods; equity, fixed income, alternative investments; derivatives; portfolio management; and wealth planning. Currently, more than 134,000 investment professionals in 150 nations and territories hold the CFA charter.

CFALA's Charter Recognition Dinner was held on November 15th at the California Club in Los Angeles to welcome the latest group of investment professionals who have earned the CFA designation as well as those who have passed the Level III CFA Exam.

## **About CFA Society Los Angeles**

CFA Society Los Angeles is the local member society of CFA Institute, the global association of investment professionals that sets the standard for professional excellence and credentials. The organization is a champion for ethical behavior in investment markets and a respected source of knowledge in the global financial community. The end goal: to create an environment where investors' interests come first, markets function at their best, and economies grow. For more information, visit <u>www.cfala.org</u>.

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