

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE****EARNEST Partners Named 2016 SMA Mid Cap Equity Manager of the Year**

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Investment Advisor magazine, along with Envestnet, has named EARNEST Partners' Mid Cap Value strategy the Mid Cap Equity Award Winner in the 2016 Separately Managed Account (SMA) Managers of the Year Awards. EARNEST Partners makes the Mid Cap Value strategy available to retail investors through various SMA platforms. The awards committee reviewed Envestnet's research of the Mid Cap Value strategy, which included stringent quantitative and qualitative criteria. The research focuses on identifying investment quality, so the committee recognizes the value of the performance premium and consistent investment process. Focuses are not only on quantitative and performance analysis but also on the quality of the firm, to determine whether there is "clarity in the manager's alpha thesis" that is repeatable and sustainable. The winners of the twelfth annual SMA Awards will be featured in the June 2016 issue of Investment Advisor magazine. CEO Paul Viera attended the ceremony during the 2016 Envestnet Advisor Summit in Chicago on May 19. He commented, "It's an honor to receive this recognition from such well-regarded organizations as Envestnet and Investment Advisor magazine. They are at the forefront of identifying the elements that matter most to advisors and their clients. They appreciate that it is not only great results that matter, but more importantly the way those results are achieved."

**About EARNEST Partners**

EARNEST Partners is an independent, employee-owned asset management firm. We offer a variety of competitive equity and fixed income products across the respective market cap and duration spectrums. Our investment approach is long-term oriented and focuses on the merits of individual securities when making investment decisions. EARNEST Partners is headquartered in Atlanta, GA with additional offices in China and Brazil.

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