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**D. L. BLAIN & CO., LLC SELECTED AS ONE OF THE TEN MOST DEPENDABLE™ WEALTH MANAGERS OF THE SOUTHEAST**

New Bern, NC, November 5, 2007: D. L. Blain & Co., LLC has been selected by Goldline Research as one of the Ten Most Dependable™ Wealth Managers of the Southeast. The list of the Ten Most Dependable™ Wealth Managers of the Southeast is scheduled to be published in the November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2007 issue of *Forbes* Magazine.

To be considered for the Ten Most Dependable™ Wealth Managers of the Southeast list, wealth managers must exceed certain criteria which include offering a comprehensive range of wealth management and financial planning services, exceptional client references, and no grievances or lawsuits. Unlike many published rankings, however, Goldline criteria do not include investment performance. “Performance is the easy part,” says David Blain, CFA, President of D. L. Blain & Co., LLC. “Earning and keeping the trust of our clients is what counts. Being chosen as on of the Ten Most Dependable™ Wealth Managers of the Southeast validates that trust.”

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“We are pleased to have D. L. Blain & Co., LLC on this list,” said Ryan Klufft, Publisher of Goldline Research. “They exceeded all of our industry criteria and had outstanding client references.” Over 6,600 Wealth Managers and Financial Planners were contacted regarding the list and the response was overwhelming.

D. L. Blain & Co., LLC is an independent, fee-only registered investment advisor located in New Bern, North Carolina. At D. L. Blain & Co., LLC, our mission is to provide superior wealth management services to our clients, enabling them to achieve their own unique financial goals. To that end we offer comprehensive investment management, financial planning, private equity and real estate consulting services.

Goldline Research is a list research and publishing company specializing in investigating the credibility and performance of companies in a variety of professional services industries for selective inclusion in their published The Most Dependable™ lists. Goldline Research works closely with leading professionals in specific industries to develop criterion for each industry, which forms the basis for its selection process. Goldline Research’s lists have appeared nationwide for over 4 years in a wide variety of print publications such as Southwest Airlines SPIRIT Magazine, Texas Monthly, San Diego Magazine, Chicago Magazine, Boston Magazine, Philadelphia Magazine, United Hemispheres Magazine, Delta Sky Magazine, Forbes, LA Magazine and Phoenix Magazine. In order to be selected to a Most Dependable™ list, firms must meet all of Goldline Research’s industry criteria, have no consumer complaints, lawsuits or disciplinary actions and provide client references that are checked and scored based on a proprietary scoring system.

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