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Thomas Moran Named Best Boss

NAPLES, Fla. (May 20, 2011) – Thomas Moran, Managing Director-Investments and founding member of the Moran Edwards Asset Management Group of Wells Fargo Advisors, has been recognized as a “Best Boss” by *Gulfshore Business* magazine in its May 2011 issue.

Five Best Boss winners were chosen from a total of 87 nominees that were received over a four-week period via Gulfshore Business’s online nomination process. The selection committee of Gulfshore Business assessed the nominees based on the following criteria: those who treated their employees well, strong leaders, educators within their office and philanthropic endeavors.

Employees say Moran’s leadership both in the office and in the community are an inspiration to them. As a 30-year veteran of the securities industry, Moran has received local, national and industry recognition for his ability as a financial advisor. He is a Senior PIM Portfolio Manager—the firm’s highest level designation for an advisor—and is well known throughout the firm as a top fee-based financial advisor. In 2010 and 2011, he was named to *Barron’s* prestigious list of America’s Top 100 Financial Advisors. This honor followed his previous recognition by *Barron’s* in its “America’s Top 1,000 Advisors,” a state-by-state ranking of which Tom was selected as the number one financial advisor in Southwest Florida in 2009, 2010 and 2011.

Moran is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of the University of Colorado. A strong supporter of the Southwest Florida community, he serves on the Corporate Advisory Board of the United Arts Council and on the Board of Directors of Opera Naples, Southwest Florida’s only regional opera company. In addition, he is a member of the board for Youth Haven and the Scholarship Committee for the Culinary and Hospitality Education Foundation.

Moran Edwards Asset Management Group, formerly known as the Moran Asset Management Group, is a money management practice. The group is responsible for managing in excess of \$2 billion in client assets as of 12/31/2010 and has served the Naples Community for 30 years.

Moran Edwards Asset Management Group is located at 5801 Pelican Bay Boulevard, Suite 200 in Naples. For more information, call (239) 254-2200 or visit www.MoranEdwards.com.

Barron’s Top 100 Financial Advisors: The rankings reflect each advisor’s assets under management, his or her contribution to

the firm's revenues and profits, and indications of service quality. Assets managed for institutions were not counted toward the score. Many of the top independent advisors head up firms, however, their scores were based on assets in accounts that they oversee themselves. Portfolio performance isn't a criterion, because many advisers don't have audited track records. **Barron's Top 1000 Advisors:** Ranking generally based on data provided by over 4,000 of the nation's most productive advisors. Factors considered: Assets under management, revenues, regulatory record, quality of practice and philanthropic work. Portfolio performance not explicit component.

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