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## WAYPOINT RESIDENTIAL EXPANDS AFFILIATED BROKER-DEALER TEAM; MAKES STRATEGIC NEW HIRES

**BOCA RATON, FL** — **August 15, 2019** — Waypoint Residential, LLC, a real estate investment firm focused on the U.S. rental housing sector, recently launched Waypoint Financial Group to address the growing demand from wealth advisors and individual investors for alternative investments. The division operates under the firm's affiliated broker-dealer Waypoint Direct Investments, LLC.

"Through our extensive risk assessment and return performance, we've built an institutional caliber platform in which individual investors can participate. The stability of our investments and the tax treatment of our returns created a demand that we want to serve by expanding our platform and team," said Scott Lawlor, Founder and CEO of Waypoint. "We're excited to see this group of professionals bring their skill and talent to Waypoint."

Waypoint's new team of professionals has extensive experience working within the independent broker-dealer and registered investment advisor domain to distribute Regulation D exempt private placements and other securities offerings sponsored by Waypoint. Scott Smith, Senior Managing Director of Waypoint Residential, will oversee Waypoint Financial Group's operations, while IBD / RIA intermediary relationships will be managed by Al Haworth, Chief Executive Officer of Waypoint Financial Group.

The following appointments will bolster Waypoint's capital raising efforts across the United States:

- Lavea G. Thomas, Senior Vice President of National Accounts, is responsible for Waypoint Financial Group's business development and relationship management within the independent broker-dealer channels. She brings 15 years of experience in the alternative investment arena and financial securities sales, including serving as Senior Vice President and Director of Business Development with Realty Capital Securities and Senior Vice President of National Accounts with Grubb & Ellis Capital Corporation.
- Weldon Evans, Senior Vice President, oversees the Eastern Division. With more than 30 years of industry
  experience, Evans was most recently Senior Vice President at Preferred Capital Securities, where he oversaw
  the distribution of their preferred stock offerings. He previously held senior positions at Alex Brown and Sons,
  Bank of America Capital Management and AIG.
- Todd Patterson, Senior Vice President, is responsible for oversight of the Central Division. He has over 18 years
  of equity and real estate investment experience, delivering institutional-quality investment opportunities to
  financial intermediaries. Prior to joining Waypoint, Patterson was Director of Business Development for ToddVeredus Asset Management and Regional Vice President for ABN AMRO Asset Management, a \$34B boutique
  mutual fund company.



- Scott Scherer, Senior Vice President, runs Waypoint Financial Group's Western Division. Most recently, he served as Regional Vice President for Preferred Capital Securities. Previously, Scherer worked with Dreyfus/Mellon Bank and The Hartford, raising a combined total of more than \$1B in assets during his tenure.
- Karen George, Vice President of Marketing and Operations, leads the effort to create the operational
  infrastructure for Waypoint Financial Group. Her role includes developing relationships with third-party entities
  such as DST/SS&C Technologies, custodians and outside technology service providers. She leverages nearly 20
  years of experience in the financial services industry, specializing in the alternative investment arena. Previously,
  she held roles at Atlas Energy and Wells Real Estate Funds, where she served as the Director of the Mid-Horizon
  Value Added Fund, overseeing the development, implementation and monitoring of sales processes for a newly
  designed private placement investment product.

## **About Waypoint Residential**

Waypoint Residential, LLC ("Waypoint") is a vertically integrated real estate investment firm specializing in the U.S. rental housing sector. Founded in 2011 and with six offices nationwide, the firm acquires and develops conventional multifamily, student housing and senior housing properties throughout the United States. Waypoint's investment activity totals approximately \$3.6 billion across more than 24,000 units.