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Washington, DC-Area Financial Planner to Receive Award *Cal Brown, Jr. will receive the 2009 Norma Severns Leadership Award*

McLean, VA (May 6, 2009) – Financial Planner Cal Brown, CFP[®], MST and Vice President of The Monitor Group in McLean, VA, will receive the 2009 Norma Severns Leadership Award at a ceremony on May 18, 2009 in Bethesda, MD.

The Norma Severns Award is presented annually to an individual who offers extraordinary efforts on behalf or for the benefit of the local Financial Planning Association (FPA) Chapter. Cal Brown's 25 years of committed service to the financial planning industry are unmatched. This award, being presented to Mr. Brown at the FPA 2009 Spring Symposium is in recognition of his contribution to the growth and improvement of the financial planning profession.

Brown entered the planning industry in 1984, and became a Certified Financial Planner[™] ("CFP") practitioner in 1990. He received his Masters of Science in Taxation at American University in Washington, D.C. Cal graduated cum laude from the University of Arkansas with a bachelor's degree in Business Administration. He is currently Chairman of the National Capital Area Chapter (FPA-NCA).

Mr. Brown has three professional contributions published in the *Journal of Financial Planning* and has authored articles appearing in *Wealth Manager* and *Financial Planning* magazines. The *Washingtonian* magazine recently named Cal as one of the top 33 financial planners in the greater Washington, D.C. metro area.

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