

ROSS JUNGE EARNS RETIREMENT INCOME CERTIFIED PROFESSIONAL® (RICP®) DESIGNATION

URBANDALE, IA – MAY 20, 2016 Ross Junge, MBA, CFA has earned the Retirement Income Certified Professional® (RICP®) professional designation from The American College, Bryn Mawr, PA.

Candidates for the RICP® designation must complete a minimum of three college-level courses and are required to pass a series of two-hour proctored exams. They must also have three years of experience, meet stringent ethics requirements, and participate in The College's continuing education program.

The RICP® educational curricula is the most complete and comprehensive program available to professional financial advisors looking to help their clients create sustainable retirement income. The rigorous three-course credential helps advisors master retirement income planning, a key focus area not fully covered in other professional designation programs. From retirement portfolio management techniques and mitigation of plan risks to the proper use of annuities, employer-sponsored benefits and determining the best Social Security claiming age, the RICP® provides a wealth of practical information for advisors.

Using the most current techniques, RICP®s identify retirement income needs and objectives and evaluate a client's current situation relative to those goals. Individuals who earn a RICP® can provide expert advice on a broad range of retirement topics including income needs and objectives, estate issues and other risks to the retirement income planning, Social Security, health insurance and housing decisions, and income taxation.

Ross has 23 years of experience in the financial services and asset management industries as an investment analyst, trader, portfolio manager and the Chief Investment Officer – Fixed Income at Aviva Investors North America. In addition to his extensive investment experience, he built highly successful institutional investment teams that managed more than \$55 billion in client assets for insurance companies, pension plans, foundations and endowments, and other institutional clients. His experience with retirement plans, asset allocation, portfolio management and risk management spans multiple market cycles and positions him well to develop investment strategies and portfolio design in conjunction comprehensive financial planning. His education includes a BA in Economics and Business Management, Simpson College and he received his MBA from University of Iowa.

The American College is nation's largest non-profit educational institution devoted to financial services. Holding the highest level of academic accreditation, The College has served as a valued business partner to banks, brokerage firms, insurance companies and others for over 86 years. The American College's faculty represents some of the financial services industry's foremost thought leaders. For more information, visit TheAmericanCollege.edu

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