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Loop Capital Expands Transition Management Division with Addition of Two Veteran Professionals

Chicago – May 16, 2016 - Loop Capital's addition of James Toland, formerly a Managing Director and Head of Consultant Relations at State Street, and Kevin Byrne, formerly a Vice President and Head of Special Equities at Fidelity Investments, marks the continuation of the firm's assertive expansion of its transition management division.

The global investment bank, brokerage and advisory firm has seen significant growth within its transition management business with over \$10 billion in assets transitioned in 2015 alone. As Loop continues to expand its booming transition division, it solidifies the firm's commitment to being a leader in the transition management business.

Kourtney Ratliff, Partner at Loop Capital and head of its transition management, global equity and fixed income divisions, says she's very excited about the addition of Toland and Byrne. "In a time when many banks are scaling down their transition management teams, Loop has managed to forge ahead, positioning us as a strong competitor in the industry and stable and consistent partner to our clients." She continues, "Our team is talented and yields amazing results. I look forward to continued growth and activity in the future."

In 2015, the firm's transition management division ranked #2 among regional transition managers in cost performance vs. estimate rankings in Chief Investment Officer Magazine's 2015 Transition Management Survey. The previous year, the division ranked #1 overall in CIO's 2014 Transition Management Survey, which collected data from 174 global asset owners on the portfolio transitions they mandated and the managers they used. Additionally, the team has seen significant growth in transition volumes and new clients as demonstrated by 100% increase in total market value of events transitioned in 2015.

In their new roles, Toland and Byrne, who each possesses more than 25 years in the financial services industry, will both serve as Senior Vice Presidents and will be responsible for servicing the Firm's corporate pension and consultant relationships, providing guidance and insight in developing cost effective implementation strategies.

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