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### ***IIAC Congratulates the 2019 Investment Industry Hall of Fame Inductees, as well as the IIAC Top Under 40 Award Winner Devan Legare***

**Toronto, ON, October 25, 2019** – The Investment Industry Association of Canada (IIAC) is proud to announce that last night at a gala dinner, five leaders of business were inducted into the Investment Industry Hall of Fame.

“Last night, we paid tribute to five executives who have distinguished themselves through talent, leadership and integrity in Canada’s investment industry,” said Ian Russell, IIAC President and CEO. “Each one is a trailblazer whose contributions to the industry, the country and communities have set them apart. It is a distinct honour to induct each of them into the Investment Industry Hall of Fame.”

This year’s induction ceremony recognizes five individuals, one of whom is being enshrined posthumously. The 2019 Class of Investment Industry Hall of Fame Inductees includes:

- **Helen Kearns**, President & CEO, Bell Kearns & Associates Ltd.
- **James Pitblado**, Former Chairman, RBC Dominion Securities Inc.
- **Charlie Spiring**, Founder, Wellington West Holdings Inc.; Founder and Chairman WellingtonAltus Private Wealth Inc.
- **Eric Sprott**, Founder, Sprott Securities Ltd. and Sprott Asset Management LP
- **Robert Wyman**, Former Chairman & CEO, Pemberton Securities Inc. (Posthumous)

For more information on the Investment Industry Hall of Fame and its 2019 Inductees, [click here](#).

**The IIAC is also proud to announce, that at the same gala, Devan Legare**, Senior Investment Advisor, Manulife Securities Inc, was named the 2019 recipient of the *IIAC Top Under 40 Award*.

The *IIAC Top Under 40 Award* recognizes and celebrates the new generation of highly motivated and talented young professionals whose drive, dedication, personal and professional qualities and accomplishments have brought distinction to the investment industry.

There were many outstanding candidates this year, making for an extremely competitive process. Devan Legare, who is based in Calgary, was selected from among 37 exceptional nominees.

“The calibre of candidates for the IIAC Top Under 40 Award is exemplary,” added Russell. “The accomplishments and the commitment to industry and community of these young professionals is remarkable and deserves recognition.”

For information on the IIAC Top Under 40 Award, [click here](#) and for Devan’s bio, [click here](#).

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