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Independent Bankers Assn. of Texas Honors Granville Financial Group with Five Star Award

AUSTIN, Texas—Granville Financial Group has been honored with the coveted Five Star Award presented by the Independent Bankers Association of Texas (IBAT). The announcement was made at the 29th Annual IBAT Leadership Conference on June 27 in San Antonio.

Since 2002, IBAT has recognized its associate members that routinely provide not only excellent service but also innovative solutions that help community banks grow faster, enhance profits and gain efficiency with the Five Star Award. Criteria used to determine this year's winners included service excellence, human relationships, integrity, commitment to the community banking industry and exceptional value to the banks they serve.

"We are honored to recognize Granville Financial Group with the Five Star Award as it delivers superior products and services designed to meet the very specific needs of community banks across Texas," Chris Williston, IBAT president and chief executive officer, said. "This company has shown a dedicated commitment to and passion for our industry, as well as exceptional service in meeting the needs of its clients across Texas."

Granville Financial Group provides executive compensation solutions, including executive benefits and compensation consulting, and bank owned life insurance portfolio services for financial institutions. The company's commitment to the community banking industry allows it to serve as a partner, rather than a vendor, to community banks across the state.

About the Independent Bankers Association of Texas (IBAT)

Formed in 1974, the Independent Bankers Association of Texas (IBAT) represents Texas community banks. The Austin-based group is the largest state community banking organization in the nation, with membership comprised of more than 2,000 banks and branches in 700 Texas communities. Providing safe and responsible financial services to all Texans, IBAT member bank assets range in size from \$10 million to \$20 billion with combined assets statewide of nearly \$165 billion. IBAT member banks are committed to supporting and investing in their local communities.