

B. Riley Analysts Win Top Rankings In 2014 Thomson Reuters StarMine Analyst Awards

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 15, 2014 /PRNewswire/ -- B. Riley & Co., LLC, (B. Riley) (<u>www.brileyco.com</u>) a leading investment bank which provides a full array of corporate finance, research, and sales and trading services, announced today that three of its analysts earned top rankings in the just published 2014 Thomson Reuters StarMine Analyst Awards, United States.

Senior Research Analyst Jimmy Baker earned the ranking of #3 Overall Stock Picker. Mr. Baker covers the Automotive, Trucking, Powersports and Marine sector.

Senior Research Analyst Scott Tilghman earned the ranking of #1 Stock Picker in the Specialty Retail Category. Mr. Tilghman covers the Consumer-Hardlines sector.

Senior Research Analyst Dave Kang earned the ranking of #3 Stock Picker in the Communications Equipment Category. Mr. Kang covers Optical Components.

B. RILEY'S Co-Director of Research, Ian Corydon, commented, "Throughout the years, our Research Department has been recognized by many independent ranking organizations. Congratulations to Jimmy, Scott and Dave on winning these most prestigious awards, and for keeping B. RILEY at the top of the performance charts."

"B. RILEY's steadfast commitment to objective equity research provides our institutional clients with actionable, non-biased research in a variety of industry sectors," said Craig A. Ellis, Co-Director of Research. We are proud to learn that StarMine has singled out three of our analysts for recognition based on their performance."

Throughout the years, B. RILEY analysts have been ranked at the top by the Wall Street Journal's Best on the Street, Forbes Blue Chip Analyst Awards, Institutional Investor and Zacks Profit from the Pros. For a complete listing of B. RILEY's Analyst Award Rankings, please click here.

Part of the Thomson Reuters Awards for Excellence program, the StarMine Analyst Awards measure the performance of sellside analysts based on the returns of their buy/sell recommendations relative to industry benchmarks; and the accuracy of their earnings estimates in 15 regions across the globe. StarMine is globally recognized as the gold standard in objective measurement of sell-side analyst performance. The 2014 StarMine Analyst Awards results can be found on http://excellence.thomsonreuters.com/award/starmine.

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