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**WESTPORT RESOURCES RECEIVES TOP GUN MONEY MANAGER AWARDS  
FROM BARRON'S, MORNINGSTAR® AND INFORMA**

WESTPORT, CT – March 17, 2010 -- Westport Resources Management, Inc., a leading financial advisor serving individuals, families, municipalities and institutions around the world, announced today that in 2010 it has received the following industry awards:

- 1. 2010 Barron's Top 1,000 Advisors In America**
- 2. Top Gun Best-of-the Best Money Manager List**
- 3. 5 and 4 Star Rankings by Morningstar®**

"It's a great honor to earn these important awards, and I thank Barron's, Informa Investment Solutions and Morningstar® for validating our commitment to produce world-class asset returns," said John Adams Vaccaro, Westport Resources Management's Founder and Chief Executive Officer. "To receive such notable recognitions in an environment where financial and macro conditions continue to be challenging is a testament to our firm's investment acumen and unwavering adherence to rigorous risk management principles."

1. Barron's named Mr. Vaccaro one of the 2010 Top 1,000 Advisors in America and ranked him the seventh Top Advisor in the state of Connecticut. Barron's rankings are based on data provided by over 4,000 of the nation's most productive advisors. Rankings are based on three core components: assets managed, revenue produced and quality of practice. The quality-of-practice component includes an evaluation of each advisor's regulatory record.
2. Informa Investment Solutions awarded Westport Resources' *Global Balanced Strategy* 4-stars in their Top Gun Best-of-the-Best Money Managers List. The award recognizes that this investment strategy has achieved the Top Gun status for the last three consecutive years.
3. Morningstar® awarded the 5-star rating to Westport Resources' *Special Income*, *Global Tactical Asset Allocation*, and *Exchange Traded Fund* strategies, as well as a 4-star rating to the *Global Balanced* strategy. A 5-star rating denotes performance in the top 10% of all strategies in a category. Ratings are calculated on a quarterly basis for strategies that have a minimum of three-year history and based on a Morningstar® Risk-Adjusted-Return

measure that emphasizes downward variations and rewards consistent performance. A 4-star rating represents performance in the next 22.5% of all strategies in a category.

Joseph Tatusko, Westport Resources' Chief Investment Officer stated, "Our ambition is to provide sustainable, winning investment performance for our clients. It is extremely gratifying and a validation of our investment management expertise to receive such prestigious industry awards. Undoubtedly, the awards clearly underscore the consistent performance we have delivered throughout the difficult markets conditions that have prevailed over the last couple of years."

*Special Income* strategy employs bonds, real estate investment trusts (REITs), publicly traded master limited partnerships (MLPs), high-yielding domestic and international equities with the scope to generate moderate long-term growth and income equal to, or above, that of investment grade bonds. The strategy seeks to deliver greater total return and better risk/return than a high-yield portfolio.

*Global Tactical Asset Allocation* is a strategy that seeks to outperform the overall equity market by slightly over-weighting asset classes likely to experience near-term appreciation. It invests exclusively in no-load mutual fund across a wide variety of asset classes and styles to achieve superior diversification and risk management.

*Exchange Traded Fund* strategy in addition to benefiting from liquidity and continuous availability of intraday pricing enables investors to achieve higher diversification while focusing on a specific investment theme across industry sectors, countries and regions. The strategy's core characteristics are low expense and tax efficiency.

*Global Balanced* is an investment strategy crafted by using a client's investment policy. The strategy deploys its allocation among fixed income and various equity investment styles, based on the firm's view of the market and correlation among the different asset classes considered. When allowed, both international and domestic equities comprise this strategy.

Headquartered in Westport, CT, Westport Resources Management, Inc. was founded in 1986 by Chief Executive Officer John Adams Vaccaro. Maintaining stable growth over its 24-year history, Westport Resources provides wealth management services to individuals, families, institutions and municipalities empowering them to realize their visions, optimize their resources and proactively manage risk through its customized innovative solutions, independent research, dynamic planning, meaningful reporting and passionate client service. More information is available at [www.westportresources.com](http://www.westportresources.com).

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