



Clearmark Partners Named "Top Guns" Manager by Informa Investment Solutions

New York — **February 20, 2018** — Clearmark Partners has been awarded "Top Guns" status by Informa Investment Solutions' PSN manager database, North America's longest running database of investment managers. Achieving a Top Guns distinction means a product is among the top 10 performers in its investment category. Both of Clearmark's separately managed account strategies, Aggressive Growth Equity and Fixed Income, were awarded Top Guns distinctions for various periods ending December 31, 2017.

"PSN Top Guns, which ranks products in six categories in over 50 universes, is a go-to resource for institutional asset managers and investors in their decision-making process," said Ryan Nauman, VP, product and market strategist at Informa Financial Intelligence. "Congratulations to Clearmark on being named a PSN Top Gun. This highly respected ranking spotlights the performance of leading investment managers each quarter."

"It is an honor to be recognized by Informa for the breakout performance and consistency of both our products," said George Koo, CEO & CIO of Clearmark. "We are very pleased that our equity strategy was the top performer and that our fixed income strategy ranked in the top 5. We look forward to delivering sustainable value to our clients over time."

Top Guns firms must be GIPS compliant. For the period ending December 31, 2017, Clearmark's distinctions include:

Category	Period	Gross Return	Rank	Product/Strategy
US Equity Universe	One Year	84.3%	#1	Aggressive Growth Equity
US Equity Universe	Three Year	30.0%	#1	Aggressive Growth Equity
Large Cap Universe	One Year	84.3%	#1	Aggressive Growth Equity
Large Cap Universe	Three Year	30.0%	#1	Aggressive Growth Equity
Intermediate Maturity Universe	Q4 2017	2.9%	#3	Fixed Income
Intermediate Maturity Universe	One Year	10.7%	#4	Fixed Income
Intermediate Maturity Universe	Three Year	7.7%	#2	Fixed Income

For the above rankings, the US Equity Universe consisted of 870 firms and 2992 products. The Large Cap Universe consisted of 556 firms and 1228 products. The Intermediate Maturity Universe consisted of 262 firms and 624 products.

The complete list of PSN Top Guns and an overview of the methodology can be located on <u>http://www.informais.com/resources/psn-top-guns</u>. For more details on the methodology behind the





PSN Top Guns Rankings or to purchase PSN Top Guns Reports, contact Ruth Calderon at <u>ruth.calderon@informais.com</u>.

About Clearmark Partners

Founded in 2009, Clearmark Partners manages nearly \$500 million in AUM for insurance companies, pension plans, and high net worth individuals. Clearmark has its heritage in fixed income, adding equities in 2014. Our portfolio manager has over 30 years of experience through various market cycles. Clearmark's Aggressive Growth Equity Strategy is a long/short equity strategy focused on US large caps. Stocks are selected using a value and growth investment approach. Clearmark's Fixed Income Strategy is a long-only strategy focused on US investment grade credit. For more information on Clearmark, please contact George Koo, CEO/CIO at <u>gkoo@clearmarkpartners.com</u> or 516-644-5007 or visit www.clearmarkpartners.com.

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