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Four Family Office Industry Pioneers Honored with the FOX Founders Award

Presentation was a highlight of the 25th Anniversary FOX Forum

Chicago, November 5, 2014 – Family Office Exchange (FOX), a global membership organization of private family enterprises, their family offices, and key advisors, bestowed the FOX Founders Award on four family office industry pioneers at the 25th Anniversary FOX Forum in Chicago on October 29, 2014. The honorees were Christine K. Galloway, President and CEO of Okabena Company, Dirk Jungé, Chairman of Pitcairn, Patricia M. Soldano, Chairman – Western Region at GenSpring Family Offices, and Loraine Tsavaris, Managing Director at Rockefeller & Company.

In presenting the awards, Sara Hamilton, Founder and CEO of FOX, commented, “Each of these individuals is the epitome of our best industry leaders, but in very unique ways. They were all pioneers in changing the wealth management industry to better serve the ultra-wealthy client. ”

The FOX Founders Award has only been presented once before-- in 2009 to James E. Hughes, Jr., at the 20th Anniversary FOX Fall Forum.

Chris Galloway has worked for the Okabena Company, a single family office in Minneapolis, for 21 years. Retiring at the end of the year, she says, “Nothing is more meaningful than my role as ‘trusted Advisor’ to multiple generations of family members.”

Dirk Jungé, a fourth generation Pitcairn family member, is an outstanding example of a family leader who has served as a family steward for over 40 years. There is an old saying: “If you don’t create change, change will create you.” Dirk understands the need for innovation, coupled with his commitment to the time-tested principles that create family success, characterize his leadership style and underlie the business model of the 90-year old family office.

Pat Soldano has worked tirelessly for the past 20 years campaigning for elimination of the death tax based on her experiencing the devastating impact of estate taxes on families in her advisory practice. She founded The Policy and Taxation Group to educate lawmakers on the issues and impact of estate taxes on families.

The final recipient, Loraine Tsavaris, has been an advisor to families and to aspiring wealth advisors for more than 40 years. A strong supporter of FOX conducted research, she participated in the first FOX Thought Leaders Summit in 2004 about Conflicts of Interest and in every Thought Leaders Summit since.

About Family Office Exchange

Family Office Exchange (FOX) is the premier global member network for wealthy families and their advisors who are pursuing best practices for optimal management of their family enterprise and their wealth and legacy. The community includes over 8,000 sophisticated family leaders and advisors from 760 organizations in 20 countries who utilize FOX's resources each year for advice, networking, education, and comparative metrics.

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