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**NEW BERN WEALTH MANAGER “SIMPLY THE BEST”**

D. L. Blain & Co., LLC Wins 2008 Readers Choice Award As Best Financial Advisor

**New Bern, NC (September 30, 2008)** – D. L. Blain & Co., LLC is pleased to announce that the firm has been named Best Financial Advisor in the New Bern Sun Journal’s 2008 Readers Choice Award balloting. (The New Bern Sun Journal reaches over 39,500 readers in Eastern North Carolina.) Voters including clients, partners and friends in Eastern North Carolina selected the firm ahead of BB&T and Edward Jones, two of the leading financial services companies in the country. David L. Blain, CFA, president and chief investment officer, says the selection by Sun Journal readers, “independently validates our firm’s wealth management philosophy.”

This is the second major award D. L. Blain & Co., LLC has received this year. The firm was earlier named one of *Wealth Manager* magazine’s Top Dogs for 2008.

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D. L. Blain & Co., LLC is a Fee-Only™ wealth management firm that provides investment management, financial planning, private equity and realty consulting services to high net worth individuals, families and business owners across the Southeastern United States. The company is the only Fee-Only registered investment advisory firm in Eastern North Carolina.

David L. Blain received his Bachelor of Science degree in 1989 from the United States Military Academy at West Point, where he was a Distinguished Honor graduate and member of the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society. He has been awarded the Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) designation, the only globally recognized credential for investment analysis and management. He is currently a member of the CFA Institute and the National Association of Personal Financial Advisors.