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Bret Michael Wheeler Recognized as Top National Financial Advisor by Northwestern Mutual

Spokane, Wa – August, 2018 – Northwestern Mutual is honoring Spokane-based Bret Michael Wheeler, for his commitment and drive to help families and businesses plan for and achieve financial security. As part of this recognition, Wheeler will be inducted into the company's elite membership, the 2018 Forum Group.

Wheeler is affiliated with Hanson Network Office based in Spokane, Washington and this is the fifth time that he has received the Forum honor.

Forum award qualifiers represent the top segment of Northwestern Mutual's industry-leading financial advisors; only five percent of more than 6,000 financial advisors receive this recognition.

Wheeler will be recognized at a leadership conference in November, along with other Forum honorees. [Click here to see the full list.](#)

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