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## **Debbie May, Executive Vice President at CBM, Selected as 2018 Top Financial Advisor by Washingtonian Magazine**

*Recognition is Seventh for May by Washingtonian Magazine*

**February 25, 2018 (Bethesda, MD & Washington, DC)** – Debora May, CPA, CFP®, CDFA®, Executive Vice President at CBM, was recognized by *Washingtonian Magazine* as a 2018 Top Financial Advisor.

This award, whose winners are selected by peers throughout the Washington metropolitan region and compiled by the magazine, is the seventh such recognition for Ms. May who has been listed by the *Washingtonian* for financial advisory expertise multiple times in the past.

Ms. May has more than 30 years of experience in public accounting with significant experience in tax, financial planning for individuals and closely held businesses, collaborative divorce, divorce litigation support and negotiation for financial settlements in divorce. She leads the firm's quality review for its divorce and financial planning engagements.

Throughout her career, Ms. May has also provided expert testimony for attorneys in divorce and real estate matters, and participated in mediations for divorce. She has served as a financial neutral in more than 250 collaborative divorce cases. In addition, she is actively involved with individual tax work and has also represented clients in IRS and state audit matters.

Ms. May is a past president of the Collaborative Dispute Resolution Professionals of Maryland, and a member of the Montgomery County Divorce Roundtable and other collaborative divorce groups.



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## **DEBBIE MAY, EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT AT CBM, SELECTED AS 2018 TOP FINANCIAL ADVISOR BY WASHINGTONIAN MAGAZINE**

February 25, 2018

“Debbie’s recent arrival at CBM has brought nothing but compliments from both clients and colleagues. Her strategic thinking is already paying dividends for all of us at CBM,” said Peter B. Reilly, CPA, CVA, CBM’s president and managing partner. “Her work for divorce clients seeking financial planning expertise or as a financial neutral in such cases, in particular, has made her one of the most trusted and well-known professionals in her field. Congratulations to Debbie. CBM is proud to be able to offer this expertise through her ongoing record of accomplishments.”

Ms. May also co-founded (with Jeff May and Judy Barnhard) and currently serves as chief investment officer of May Barnhard Investments, an investment advisory firm whose service philosophy is based on taking a holistic approach of each client’s situation. In 1989, she was a founding partner (also with May and, in 1990, Barnhard) of May & Barnhard, P.C., a Bethesda, Maryland-based tax and financial consulting firm that merged into CBM in November 2017.

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Since 1921, Councilor, Buchanan & Mitchell, P.C. (CBM) has been serving clients throughout the Washington, D.C., Maryland, Virginia, and the Mid-Atlantic Region. Our professionals have first-hand knowledge of and specialization in a wide variety of industries and fields including automotive dealerships, not-for-profit organizations, construction and real estate companies, professional service firms, and privately-held businesses.

In 2017, CBM was named one of the “*Largest Accounting Firms*” by the Washington Business Journal, and in 2016, 2015 and 2014 one of the “*Top Accounting Firms*”. In 2016, CBM was named “Firm of the Year” by NonprofitCPAs and “*CPA Firm of the Year 2015*” by Washington SmartCEO. In July 2012, CBM was voted “*Firm of the Year*” by Enterprise Worldwide (EW), an international association of accountants and advisors. To learn more about CBM, [visit our website](#).

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