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Savant Capital Management's Wendy Blair Earns Chartered Financial Consultant® (ChFC®) Designation, Financial Planning's Highest Standard

Freeport, IL (February 2, 2010) – Wendy Blair, Financial Advisor at Savant Capital Management, has earned the Chartered Financial Consultant® (ChFC®) professional designation from The American College. Blair, who works out of Savant's Freeport office, has over 25 years of experience in the trust and investment field.

Candidates for the ChFC® designation must complete a minimum of eight courses and 16 hours of supervised examinations. Known as the financial planning industry's highest standard, the ChFC® program prepares professionals to meet the advanced financial needs of individuals, professionals and small business owners. ChFCs are also able to provide expert advice on a broad range of financial topics, including financial planning, wealth accumulation and estate planning, income taxation, life and health insurance, business taxation and planning, investments and retirement planning.

"The ChFC® designation will allow me to further assist my clients with their financial planning needs," said Blair. "This designation will allow me to identify and establish specific goals, and then formulate, implement and monitor a comprehensive plan to achieve those goals."

About Savant Capital Management, Inc.

Savant Capital Management, Inc. offers investment management, financial planning, and family office services to financially established individuals, trust funds, retirement plans and non-profit organizations.

Savant is regularly recognized among the top wealth managers in the United States. Savant was named the top independent advisor in Illinois by *Chicago Magazine*. Savant was named by *Barron's* magazine as one of the 100 best independent financial advisors in the United States for the last three consecutive years, and *Inc.* magazine named the firm as the fastest growing Registered Investment Advisor in Illinois. For the past seven years, Savant earned a place on *Bloomberg Wealth Manager's* Top Wealth Managers list. Savant also was recognized as one of the nation's top 100 financial advisors by *Worth* magazine from 1997 through 2008; the survey was discontinued in 2009. In 2006, Savant was included in *The Wealth Factor—A Team Approach*, a book profiling ten of the most innovative and respected wealth management firms in the nation.

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