



B. Riley FBR Research Analysts Recognized by TipRanks' Analysts Rankings

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Senior Semiconductor and Capital Equipment Research Analyst, Craig Ellis, Ranked Number Two in Top 20 Wall Street Analyst of 2017

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B. Riley FBR's Director of Research and Senior Semiconductor and Capital Equipment Research Analyst, Craig Ellis, was ranked number two in [TipRanks' Top 20 Wall Street Analysts of 2017](#). The ranking is based on the high success rate and average return of his ratings and recommendations. As of January 23, 2018, Mr. Ellis is ranked as the number one analyst out of 4,753 Wall Street researchers.

B. Riley FBR's research team is currently ranked in the top 25 percent of all analysts tracked by TipRank. Other B. Riley FBR accolades include:

- Madhu Kumar, Senior Healthcare Analyst, is ranked number 21
- Alex Rygiel, Randy Binner, Josh Nichols, Kevin Liu, Dave Kang, Chris Van Horn and Sarkis Sherbetchyan are in the top 10 percent of TipRanks' 12-month return ranking
- 82 percent of B. Riley FBR's research team are among the top 50 percent of analysts ranked

"I'm honored to be recognized by TipRanks and to join this exclusive list of top 20 analysts," said Mr. Ellis. "I'm part of an amazing team that works extremely hard at making the right recommendations for clients. With the evolution toward passive investing, the research our team conducts is more important than ever."

"Craig and our team's stock picking insights and expertise are highly valued to our clients and the market at large," said Bryant Riley, Chairman and CEO of B. Riley Financial. "On behalf of the firm, I want to congratulate Craig and the rest of the team for their impressive rankings. Our firm prides itself on rigorous research and deep fundamental analysis on the companies we cover, and these rankings are a testament to our approach and commitment."

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