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Jayana Darras – Rising Star

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The Association of Women in Finance is proud to honour Jayana Darras with the 2018 PEAK Award in the category of Rising Star.

Jayana is an Audit Partner in the Deloitte Canadian Public Audit Practice. She serves Deloitte's largest audit clients based in Vancouver as well as high-growth companies. Jayana's distinctive client service is anchored in her ability to build, lead and inspire dedicated teams of professionals.

In her fifteen-years at Deloitte, Jayana has made significant contributions to the firm's success and corporate culture. She started her career with Deloitte in Edmonton in 2003 before relocating with the firm to Ottawa, Croatia, and finally Vancouver in 2011. Jayana cites her international experience on exchange in Croatia as having expanded her knowledge, network and leadership skills. In 2016, Jayana was promoted to her current role as Partner at Deloitte in recognition of her outstanding contribution to client service, her strong technical skills, and the value she brings to both her clients and the firm. She is widely recognized as a multi-talented leader at Deloitte, adept at building a strong team environment and broadening technical excellence.

Jayana is a passionate supporter of women in leadership roles. An enthusiastic mentor, Jayana is frequently called upon for her coaching skills and relentless sponsorship and development of opportunities for women. She leads many Learning & Growth courses at Deloitte, leveraging her strong technical and development skills. Jayana also speaks openly and candidly about her experiences as a new mother balancing work and family commitments – acting as a role model for many new parents at Deloitte and highly respected for her clear commitment to her clients and her family alike.

Jayana strives for excellence in every area of her life. She has completed two full Ironman events as well as a countless number of triathlons and half marathons. She is also a past Board member of Leading Edge Triathlon. Jayana draws parallels between running a race and growing one's career – training, tracking your performance and, above all, loving what you do are key.

Jayana is actively involved in the community through numerous charitable initiatives including: the Ride to Conquer Cancer, the Women's Rape Shelter, Habitat for Humanity, YMCA Strong Kids and the United Way. She supports many organizations such as 100 Women Vancouver, the Women's Executive Network (WXN), and the Women of Influence events.

Please join us in celebrating Jayana's accomplishments at the PEAK Awards Gala on May 9, 2018. Congratulations, Jayana!