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Independent Bankers Assn. of Texas Honors CalTech with Five*Star Award

AUSTIN, Texas—CalTech has been honored with the coveted Five*Star Award presented by the Independent Bankers Association of Texas (IBAT). The announcement was made at the 30th Annual IBAT Leadership Conference on June 12 in San Antonio. CalTech previously received this honor in 2011 as well.

Since 2002, IBAT has recognized its associate members that routinely provide not only excellent service but also innovative solutions that help community banks grow faster, enhance profits and gain efficiency with the Five*Star Award. Criteria used to determine this year's winners included service excellence, human relationships, integrity, commitment to the community banking industry and exceptional value to the banks they serve.

"We are honored to recognize CalTech with the Five*Star Award as it has shown dedication, commitment and passion for our industry, as well as exceptional service in meeting the needs of its financial services clients across Texas," Chris Williston, IBAT president and chief executive officer, said.

CalTech specializes in optimizing technology for financial institutions by designing unique business-aligned IT strategies. With more than 25 years of experience in the financial services industry, CalTech's services are designed to increase an institution's profitability and efficiency while ensuring security.

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About the Independent Bankers Association of Texas (IBAT)

Formed in 1974, the Independent Bankers Association of Texas (IBAT) represents Texas community banks. The Austin-based group is the largest state community banking organization in the nation, with membership comprised of more than 2,000 banks and branches in 700 Texas communities. Providing safe and responsible financial services to all Texans, IBAT member bank assets range in size from \$10 million to more than \$20

billion with combined assets statewide of nearly \$165 billion. IBAT member banks are committed to supporting and investing in their local communities.