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Quotesmith.com Named 'One of the Top 50 Financial Websites' by Money Magazine

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DARIEN, III., Sept. 29 /PRNewswire/ -- Quotesmith.com, (Nasdaq: QUOT), the buyer-driven insurance exchange which provides instant insurance quotes from more than 300 leading insurance companies, announced that it has been ranked one of the Top 50 Financial Websites by Money Magazine in its Tech 2000 issue due out in early October.

Quotesmith.com is the only place on earth that allows insurance shoppers to obtain instant quotes from over 300 leading insurance companies and to buy from the company of their choice.

This pronouncement by Money Magazine is the latest in a recent string of accolades for Quotesmith.com, including being ranked "Best of the Net" by About.com's Guide to Personal Life Insurance, being ranked the #1 term life insurance site by FinanCenter.com, being named as one of the top five life insurance sites by Forbes magazine and being the only insurance site named as one of the top 100 sites for small business by Entrepreneur.com.

"We are very excited and grateful to have been named one of the top 50 financial Websites by Money Magazine," commented Quotesmith.com Chairman and founder, Robert Bland. "Most people don't know that they can now

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check the prices of hundreds of insurance companies in just a few minutes and have the freedom to buy from the company of their choice all at one Website. We're dedicated to speeding up and simplifying the entire insurance purchase process and believe that Web-based insurance is poised for wave after wave of productivity and information collection gains which will benefit insurance shoppers and insurance companies alike."

For the second year in a row, Money Magazine dispatched a team of reporters on a two-month mission to find the very best financial sites the Web has to offer. Pulling no punches in its advice on where to buy, Money Magazine proclaimed, "Once you've completed your crash course, shop for policies at www.quotesmith.com. Quotesmith searches 300 or so different companies to get you instant quotes on life, medical, dental and auto insurance. If its info isn't correct, Quotesmith will give you \$500 for your trouble."

About Quotesmith.com

Quotesmith.com owns and operates the industry's largest and most comprehensive insurance price comparison service. The Quotesmith.com Insurance Commerce Platform allows insurance shoppers to instantly view the best prices being offered by more than 300 leading companies, achieve maximum savings and have the freedom to buy from the company of their choice. Quotesmith.com guarantees and backs the accuracy of all of its quotes with a \$500 cash reward program. Quotesmith.com also provides personalized customer service assistance and policy placement services for its customers. Quotesmith.com generates revenues from the receipt of commissions and fees paid by insurance companies. Shares of Quotesmith.com trade on the Nasdaq Exchange under the symbol "QUOT."

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Money Magazine has been giving smart investment advice for more than 27 years and has earned the trust of more wealthy Americans than any other magazine in the personal finance category. Award-winning reporting, coupled with high-profile interviews of movers and shakers, helps savvy, affluent consumers make wise investing and spending choices. With the largest editorial staff of any personal finance publication, Money Magazine brings a unique, authoritative and innovative voice to personal finance coverage. Money Magazine, with over 7.5 million readers, is the nation's leading source for personal finance information.

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