



## **Janus Real Return Fund Receives 2016 Lipper Fund Award**

*Fund Recognized for Best Inflation-Protected Bond Fund Over Three-Year Period*

**DENVER** – March 23, 2016 – Janus Capital Group, Inc. (NYSE: JNS) today announced that the Janus Real Return Fund (Class I shares) received a 2016 Lipper Fund Award for best inflation-protected bond fund in the three-year performance period ended Dec. 31, 2015.

“Lipper’s recognition of the Janus Real Return Fund affirms the value of our fundamental fixed income team’s bottom-up, research-driven investment approach,” said Richard M. Weil, Chief Executive Officer of Janus Capital Group.

“The Janus Real Return Fund was created to help protect investors against inflation and this Lipper Award demonstrates the success we’ve had over the past three years,” added Portfolio Manager Darrell Watters.

“Delivering value for clients is our top priority and we are honored to have our work recognized by Lipper,” said Portfolio Manager Mayur Saigal.

The Lipper Fund Awards honor fund management firms and individual mutual funds that excel in delivering consistently strong, risk-adjusted performance relative to their peers. Annual Lipper Fund Awards reflect consistency of returns over time. They take into account both short-term and long-term risk-adjusted performance relative to a fund’s classification and look back over a variety of holding periods.

“Congratulations to Darrell Watters and the Janus team,” said Jeff Tjornehoj, Head of Americas Research at Thomson Reuters Lipper. “The Lipper Fund Awards celebrate the best in professional investments and the success of the Janus Real Return Fund is worthy of celebration.”

The Janus Real Return Fund is designed to protect against both inflationary and deflationary environments while generating absolute, risk-adjusted returns. The fund invests in a broad range of fixed income sectors and inflation-oriented asset classes, including short-duration high yield.

### **About Janus Capital Group Inc.**

Janus Capital Group Inc. ("JCG") is a global investment firm dedicated to delivering better outcomes for clients through a broad range of actively managed and smart beta investment solutions, including fixed income, equity, alternative and multi-asset class strategies. It does so through a number of distinct asset management platforms, including investment teams within Janus Capital Management LLC ("Janus"), as well as INTECH Investment Management LLC ("INTECH"), Perkins Investment Management LLC ("Perkins") and Kapstream Capital Pty Limited ("Kapstream"), in addition to a suite of exchange-traded products. Each team brings distinct asset class expertise, perspective, style-specific experience and a

disciplined approach to risk. Investment strategies are offered through open-end funds domiciled in both the U.S. and offshore, as well as through separately managed accounts, collective investment trusts and exchange-traded products. At the end of December 2015, JCG's complex-wide assets totaled approximately \$192.3 billion for shareholders, clients and institutions around the globe. Based in Denver, Colorado, JCG also has offices in London, Milan, Singapore, Hong Kong, Tokyo, Melbourne, Sydney, Paris, The Hague, Zurich, Frankfurt, Dubai and Taipei, as well as Boston, Mass., Darien, Conn., Princeton, N.J., West Palm, Fla., Chicago, Ill., and Newport Beach, Calif.

### **About the Lipper Fund Awards**

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For Lipper Best Individual Funds, the calculation periods extend over 36, 60 and 120 months. The highest Lipper Leader for Consistent Return (Effective Return) value within each eligible classification determines the fund classification winner over 3, 5 or 10 years as of 12/31/15 and no other time periods. 176 Inflation-Protected Bond Funds were eligible for this award for the 3-year period. Only eligible investors may purchase Class I Shares. See a prospectus for eligibility requirements and other available share classes.

Mutual fund investing involves market risk; principal loss is possible. Equity and fixed income securities are subject to various risks including, but not limited to, market risk, credit risk and interest rate risk.

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