

# Local Financial Services Professionals Attend National Conference in New Orleans

WEST ORANGE, N.J., July 14 /PRNewswire/ -- H.D. Vest Advisors Anthony DeFranco and Nelson Couto of West Orange recently attended the 24th annual National Conference of H.D. Vest Financial Services®. The National Conference was held at the Sheraton New Orleans and Marriott New Orleans hotels in New Orleans, LA, June 7-10, 2010. At the conference, DeFranco and Couto chose from customized courses and sessions by top experts, including breakout sessions, and general sessions as well as exhibits and special events. Anthony and Nelson gathered new ideas for helping their clients work toward their financial goals.

"H.D. Vest Advisors who attend National Conference always learn new ways to support their clients," said Roger Ochs, H.D. Vest president. "This year's National Conference provided Advisors with the tools and knowledge to help their clients and network with other Advisors and solution providers."

DeFranco and Couto heard from informative keynote speakers this year, including H.D. Vest President Roger Ochs, Director of Investment Strategy and Asset Allocation with Wells Fargo's Wealth Management Group Ron Florance, and International Performing Artist and Communications Catalyst Victoria Labalme.

Anthony DeFranco and Nelson Couto have been Advisors with H.D. Vest since 1996. They have been founding partners of Couto DeFranco, P.A., in West Orange, NJ since 1992.

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