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Deloitte named Title Sponsor for the Columbia Half Marathon & 5K.

Monday, March 7, 2016 – Rip It Events announces Deloitte as title sponsor for the 2016 Columbia Half Marathon & 5K. Deloitte provides audit, consulting, financial advisory, risk management, and tax and related services to clients around the world. With more than 80 US locations—and hundreds more around the world—there's probably a Deloitte office near you.

"We are looking forward to partnering with the Columbia Half Marathon/5K. At Deloitte our empowered well-being offerings give our employees the support and flexibility to make daily choices that allow us to be healthy, confident, and aware." Nathan Houser, National Security Sector Leader at Deloitte

"We are thrilled to have Deloitte on board for the 2016 Columbia Half Marathon," said Rip It Events Owner, Danny Serpico. "The support from companies such as Deloitte is a major reason why the Columbia Half Marathon is one of Maryland's best races."

The 2016 race starts and finishes in downtown Columbia, MD. A 5K race will follow the start of the half marathon. A \$1,500 total prize purse for the half marathon will be distributed to the top three male and female half marathon finishers on race day. A portion of the event proceeds will be donated to Athletes Serving Athletes, the official charity for this race.

Online registration is open for the Columbia Half Marathon. For more information about this event and to register, visit www.columbia-halfmarathon.com. For a list of sponsorship opportunities, email Danny Serpico at racedirector@ripitevents.com.

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About Rip It Events, LLC

Rip It Events, LLC was founded in 2010 and has successful event planning experience in the entertainment, athletic, and non-profit sectors. Owned and operated by Danny and Suzy Serpico, Rip It Events produces the Columbia Half Marathon, St. Mary's Historic Half Marathon, Maryland Duathlon, Ellicott City 5K/10K, and the Columbia Turkey Chase 10K, manages large scale events such as the Howard County School System 5K, and provides individual coaching for multi-sport athletes. For more information about Rip It Events, visit www.ripitevents.com.