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### NATIONAL ACADEMY OF HUMAN RESOURCES ANNOUNCES THE CLASS OF 2019

### FOUR NEW FELLOWS AND ONE DISTINGUISHED FELLOW ARE INSTALLED

NEW YORK, November 7, 2019 – The National Academy of Human Resources (NAHR) installed its twenty-eighth class of Fellows, an honor considered the most prestigious in the field of human resources, on November 7, 2019.

Since its founding in 1992, only 176 individuals have been elected Fellows of the National Academy of Human Resources, and 14 individuals have been further honored as Distinguished Fellows. Additionally, 13 organizations have been inducted as Honored Organizations for their contribution to the HR profession.

"By election to the Academy, the members of the 2019 Class of Fellows have been acknowledged by their peers as reaching the very highest level of achievement and contribution in the Human Resources profession," said John Murabito, Chair of the NAHR and Executive Vice President, Human Resources and Services, CIGNA Corporation. Jill Smart, President of NAHR and former Chief Human Resources Officer at Accenture, said "Each of these human resources professionals has made sustained and exemplary contributions to their organizations, communities and the human resources profession.

These new Academy Fellows and Distinguished Fellow have played a substantial role in shaping human resource management thinking and policy. The recognition of a Fellow as a Distinguished Fellow indicates that the individual has had a significant impact on the HR profession over an extended career timeframe."

#### The NAHR Class of 2019 is:

### **NAHR Fellows:**

#### Josh Bersin

Founder and CEO
Josh Bersin Academy, Inc.

#### W. Warner Burke

Thorndike Professor of Psychology and Education Teachers College, Columbia University

# **Ashley Goldsmith**

Chief People Officer Workday

# **Skip Spriggs**

President and CEO
The Executive Leadership Council

## **NAHR Distinguished Fellow:**

Jeffrey McGuiness CEO Emeritus HR Policy Association

The Academy also recognized the four organizations that served as Grand Sponsors for this year's annual dinner and installation ceremony.

# **Alexander Mann Solutions**

The world's leading provider of talent acquisition and management services

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Leadership for a better world

#### Institute for Corporate Productivity (i4cp)

The leading research firm focused on discovering next practices in human capital

# **Lincoln Financial Group**

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The NAHR Foundation and the Fellows of the Academy announced an eighteenth Chief Human Resources Officer (CHRO) Academy, to be held June 10 and 11, 2019 in New York City. This by-invitation only program is designed to offer HR executives who, for the first time, are holding the top HR position in an organization an opportunity to meet with Academy Fellows and other experts and develop a personal plan to enhance their contributions to the overall performance of their enterprises.

For more information on the NAHR, the NAHR Foundation, or the NAHR CHRO Academy, please contact Jill B. Smart, president of the NAHR, telephone: (630) 215-5053, fax: (800) 459-1929, or email: <a href="mailto:jbsmart@nationalacademyhr.org">jbsmart@nationalacademyhr.org</a>, website: <a href="mailto:www.nationalacademyhr.org">www.nationalacademyhr.org</a>. The NAHR mailing address is 5420 Challen Place, Downers Grove, IL 60515.

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