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**ICCFA EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION BOARD OF TRUSTEES
UNANIMOUSLY ELECTS JACK LECHNER AS NEWEST MEMBER**

STERLING, VA (September 2, 2020) – By a unanimous vote, the Board of Trustees for the International Cemetery, Cremation and Funeral Association’s (ICCFA) Educational Foundation elected Mr. Jack E. Lechner Jr., CFSP, as their newest member on August 24. Mr. Lechner will begin his duties as a member of the Board of Trustees at their upcoming meeting on September 9, 2020.

When discussing Mr. Lechner’s election, ICCFA Educational Foundation President Jim Price said, “Jack has spent a lifetime studying leadership and serving the death care profession as a funeral director, embalmer, soldier, cemeterian, and educator. His participation in the ICCFA Educational Foundation is a tremendous honor and will surely propel the foundation to new heights.”

Jack E. Lechner, Jr. has served as the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Cincinnati College of Mortuary Science since 2016. Prior to that, he was the Integrated Logistics Systems Division Chief at Headquarters, Department of the Army, Pentagon where he was responsible for ensuring the integrated logistics support for the entire lifecycle of all the Army’s combat platform acquisitions. In 2010, he was part of the new

leadership team to restore honor to the Arlington National Cemetery following a serious scandal uncovered by the Department of the Army Inspector General. COL Lechner served as the Executive Officer, Cemetery Administrator, Deputy Superintendent, and culminated his five-year tenure by serving as Superintendent of Arlington National Cemetery.

Mr. Lechner earned a Bachelor of Mortuary Science degree from Cincinnati College of Mortuary Science and holds a Master of Science degree in National Resource Energy from National Defense University. He was a practicing funeral director for 10 years before enlisting as an Infantryman in the US Army in 1983.

Founded in 1887, the International Cemetery, Cremation and Funeral Association is the only international trade association representing all segments of the cemetery, cremation, funeral and memorialization profession. Its membership is composed of more than 9,100 rooftop locations and 18,000 professionals in the cemetery, funeral home and crematory industries, as well as supplier and related businesses worldwide.

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