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Weaver's Gary McIntosh Receives TSCPA's Top Service Award for 2014-15

The Meritorious Service Award to the Public Accounting Profession in Texas

DALLAS-FORT WORTH, Texas (Aug. 31, 2015) – <u>Gary McIntosh</u>, CPA, CFF and recently-retired partner at <u>Weaver</u>, the largest independent accounting firm in the Southwest, received the 2014-15 Meritorious Service Award to the Public Accounting Profession in Texas, the highest service award given by the Texas Society of Certified Public Accountants (<u>TSCPA</u>). TSCPA presented this award in June at the organization's Annual Meeting of Members in Dallas.

The Meritorious Service Award is regarded as the highest honor bestowed by the TSCPA. It is not given every year and is only presented to an individual who has given outstanding service to the Society and their local chapter. The recipient must also demonstrate exceptional leadership in the organization over a number of years, having served as a committee chair, officer and on the TSCPA Board of Directors. In addition, the honoree serves as a spokesperson for the profession through speeches and articles.

This is the third year in the last four years that the TSCPA presented the Meritorious Service Award to a Weaver professional. Previous Weaver recipients of this highly-respected award include, for fiscal year 2013-14: W. M. "Mack" Lawhon, CPA and chairman in Fort Worth and for fiscal year 2011-12: Larry D. Edgerton, CPA, CVA and partner in tax and strategic business services in Midland. The firm's founder, Lloyd J. Weaver, also received this award for fiscal year 1975-76.



"We are very proud of Gary and his many accomplishments both as a leader and as an individual," said John Mackel, Weaver's managing partner and CEO. "Being named a TSCPA Meritorious Service Award recipient demonstrates his extensive career, contribution to our profession and successful tenure with Weaver."

McIntosh has more than 40 years of public accounting experience including managing his own public accounting firm for 27 years. He joined Weaver in

2009 when the firm expanded and opened an office in Austin. As the former partner-in-charge of Weaver's tax and strategic business services in Austin, he was responsible for the office's initial overall growth and strategy. McIntosh concentrated in business planning, mergers, sales and acquisitions for real estate development and investment, construction, restaurants, manufacturing, retail and professional services.

McIntosh has been a member of the TSCPA for 40 years filling a variety of leadership roles. As a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA), the TSCPA and the Austin chapter, he has served on more than 40 committees. This includes seven years on the TSCPA's Executive Board, leading the organization as the TSCPA Chair from 2001 to 2002. He also served 13 years on the AICPA Council, including a three-year term on the AICPA Board of Directors, advocating on behalf of the TSCPA and CPAs in Texas. He has been an advisory member of the Texas State Board Rules Committee for more than 20 years.

He currently co-chairs the AICPA and National Association of State Boards of Accountancy Uniform Accountancy Act committee that provides the "evergreen" model licensing law developed to provide a uniform approach to regulation of the accounting profession and a comprehensive system for enhancing public protection, facilitating consumer choice and supporting the efficient operation of the capital markets across the United States.

In addition to his outstanding, long-term service to the accounting profession, McIntosh is involved with many community and civic organizations, including being the founding director of Downtown Austin Partners. He has also been a frequent lecturer in university accounting departments across the state. McIntosh earned a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in accounting from The University of Texas at Austin.

About Weaver

Founded in 1950, Weaver currently has 500+ employees and operates in 10 cities across the United States. Weaver is ranked the largest independent accounting firm in the Southwest by *Accounting Today* magazine. The firm is also ranked the 38th largest firm in the United States and a 'Best of the Best firm for 2014' by *INSIDE Public Accounting*.

Weaver serves a broad range of clients including public and private national and international companies, nonprofit organizations and government entities. In addition to traditional assurance and tax services, Weaver also provides numerous advisory services, including risk advisory, transaction advisory, IT advisory, energy compliance and consulting, forensics and litigation, international tax, property tax, state and local tax, and wealth strategies services. Learn more at www.weaver.com.

About TSCPA

TSCPA is a nonprofit, voluntary, professional organization representing Texas CPAs. The society has 20 local chapters statewide and has nearly 27,000 members. The Society is committed to serving the public interest with programs that advance the highest standards of ethics and practice within the CPA profession. TSCPA exists to support its members in their professional endeavors and to promote the value and high standards of Texas CPAs.