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Albany Businessman Honored with President's Award from the Association of Consulting Foresters of America, Inc.

[Williamsburg, VA] — <u>The Association of Consulting Foresters of America, Inc.</u> (ACF) is pleased to announce that Richard (Carbo) Carbonetti was honored with its 2024 President's Award during the association's national conference in Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida, in late June. ACF is a national organization committed to serving independent consulting foresters who manage forests and market forest products for private woodland owners.

"It is my absolute pleasure to recognize Carbo's experience, accomplishments, and dedicated service with this award," said Wayne Pfluger, Past President of ACF. "His continued leadership and commitment to the association and consulting forester profession have made a profound and lasting impression."

Carbonetti opened and operated Round Top Woodlot Management in 1977, shortly after earning a B.S. in Forestry from the University of Maine, Orono, and merged his company with LandVest, Inc. in 1995. He is now the Senior Advisor, Forest Resources Division for LandVest, a full-service real estate and consulting forestry firm, in which he is also an Ownership Partner. His role focuses on mentoring and staff development, project management, outreach, and marketing. Carbonetti is a licensed forester in Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont, and holds the SAF CF certifications. He and his family own and manage a 1927-acre Tree Farm in Vermont.

Carbonetti has been an ACF Member since 2000 and currently serves as Chair of ACF's Conservation Collaboration Committee. Previously, he has served on numerous committees and task forces including Branding, Education, Member Benefits, and National Office. Carbonetti has also served on ACF's Executive Committee, as ACF President from 2010-2012, and was honored with the prestigious Distinguished Forester award in 2021. A long-time instructor of Successful Business Techniques for ACF's Practice of Consulting Forestry course, he also recently completed a two-year assignment as Managing Editor of the joint ACF and Society of American Foresters publication of the 2nd Edition of the *Introduction to Consulting Forestry*.

"Receiving this prestigious award was a remarkable surprise," said Carbonetti. "It's been my honor to give back to the association and profession."

"Carbo's incredible dedication and innumerable contributions to the field of forestry, ACF, and the consulting forester profession continue to make lasting impacts," said Shannon McCabe, CAE, ACF's Executive Director. "I am delighted for him to be honored with this award and look forward to continuing to work with him to further ACF's mission."

ACF provides professional development, networking opportunities, exclusive communications, tools, and resources to consulting foresters. ACF members are the gold standard of forestry consultants because

they meet rigorous educational, experience, and reference requirements as well as adhere to a Code of Ethics ensuring loyalty to landowners and their land.

For additional information about ACF, visit www.acf-foresters.org.

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About the Association of Consulting Foresters of America, Inc. (ACF):

Founded in 1948, the Association of Consulting Foresters of America, Inc. (ACF) is a professional organization dedicated to advancing the practice of professional consulting forestry and promoting the highest standards of professionalism and ethics among its members. ACF members can benefit forest landowners by enhancing property value, optimizing timber growth through sustainable harvests, maximizing the value of timber, enhancing wildlife habitat and recreational opportunities, and protecting family forest legacy. Visit www.acf-foresters.org to learn more.

About LandVest:

LandVest is the industry leader in integrated Real Estate and Timberland solutions, offering a wide range of services nationally. LandVest's Forest Resources Division has over 60 forestry/technical and 9 administrative staff in offices in the northeast, on the west coast and in the south managing over 2.2 million acres in the northeast and Washington state.

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