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**Lufkin Business Owner Elected President-Elect for
the Association of Consulting Foresters of America, Inc.**

[Lynchburg, VA] — [The Association of Consulting Foresters of America, Inc.](#) (ACF) is pleased to announce the election of Christopher E. Adams, ACF, of Lufkin, Texas, as President-Elect. Adams began his two-year term on July 1, 2026, and will subsequently serve as President and Past President in accordance with ACF's leadership succession process.

As President-Elect, Adams will assist the President in advancing the strategic priorities of the Association, support ACF chapters and committees, and help guide the organization's future direction. ACF is a national organization committed to serving independent consulting foresters who manage forests and market forest products for private woodland owners.

"Chris has demonstrated exceptional leadership, a deep commitment to our profession, and an unwavering dedication to ACF and its members," said ACF President Gerald H. Grossman, ACF. "His experience as a consulting forester, business owner, chapter leader, and Gulf Region Director has prepared him well for this role. I am excited to work alongside him as he prepares to lead the Association in the years ahead."

Adams is Founder and President of [Vision Forestry, LLC](#), a natural resource consulting firm headquartered in Lufkin, Texas. A graduate of Texas A&M University, he has spent more than 25 years serving private forest landowners across the South. His career has included leadership positions in consulting forestry, timberland lending, and business ownership, giving him a broad perspective on the challenges and opportunities facing today's landowners and forestry professionals.

Adams has served the Association in numerous leadership capacities, including having just completed a term as Gulf Region Director on ACF's Executive Committee. He also serves as Chair of the Member Benefits Committee and helped establish the ACF Business Academy. He has also served as Texas Chapter Chair, is a member and former Chair of the Education Committee and was honored with the ACF President's Award in 2022.

"For me, ACF is more than a professional association," said Adams. "It has provided long-lasting friendships, meaningful professional opportunities, and the chance to learn from some of the most knowledgeable forestry professionals in the country. I look forward to helping represent this

outstanding membership and pursuing opportunities that continue to grow ACF's footprint within the forestry community."

"Chris has a unique ability to combine strategic thinking with a genuine passion for helping members succeed," added Shannon McCabe, CAE, Executive Director of ACF. "Whether through chapter leadership, committee service, education, or member programs, he consistently focuses on creating value for consulting foresters. His vision, energy, and commitment to the profession will serve ACF exceptionally well in the years ahead."

Adams joins the 2026–2027 ACF Executive Committee alongside:

- President: Gerald H. Grossman, ACF, Green Timber Consulting Foresters, Inc., MI
- Past President: Rick N. Barnes, ACF (Ret.), OR
- Gulf Region Director: Billy Rye, ACF, Forest Management Specialists, Inc., AL
- Northern Region Director: Jennifer L. Boyle Warner, ACF, ArborTerra Consulting, Inc., IN
- Southern Region Director: Joseph A. Davison, ACF, Eastern Forest Management, NC
- Western Region Director: Christian Eggleton, ACF, TÜV SÜD America Inc., CA
- Treasurer: Thomas R. Clark, ACF, F&W Forestry Services, Inc., AL
- Secretary: Kenny J. Kane, ACF, Generations Forestry, Inc., PA

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 more 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.

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