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Four New Governors Elected to ACHE Board

CHICAGO, March 24, 2018—Four healthcare leaders have been elected to serve on the Board of Governors of the American College of Healthcare Executives: Delvecchio S. Finley, FACHE; Teri G. Fontenot, FACHE; Laura Robertson, FACHE; and Col Gigi A. Simko, FACHE. They took office today at the Council of Regents Meeting preceding ACHE's 61st Congress on Healthcare Leadership. The new Governors will serve a three-year term representing ACHE members on ACHE's Board of Governors, the authority that oversees ACHE operations and member services. All are board certified in healthcare management as ACHE Fellows.

Finley is CEO, Alameda Health System, Oakland, Calif. He served as the ACHE Regent for California—Northern & Central from 2007 to 2010, and as president of the ACHE chapter California Association of Healthcare Leaders from 2007 to 2008. In 2014, Finley received the Robert S. Hudgens Young Healthcare Executive of the Year Award. In addition, he has served as a board member of the California Hospital Association since 2015.

Fontenot is president/CEO, Woman's Hospital, Baton Rouge, La. She also serves as a board member of the American Hospital Association's Health Forum, the Baton Rouge Health District and the Louisiana Hospital Association. In addition, she served as a chairman officer of the American Hospital Association from 2011 to 2013.

Robertson is CEO, Banner Desert Medical Center and Cardon Children's Medical Center, Mesa, Ariz. She served as the ACHE Regent for Arizona from 2014 to 2017. In addition, she serves as a member of Mesa United Way in Arizona and she served as a board member of the American Heart Association from 2009 to 2011.

Simko serves as the commander of the 45th Medical Group at Patrick Air Force Base, Fla. She served as the ACHE Regent for the Air Force from 2016 to 2018, and as an ACHE Regent-at-Large for District 6 from 2010 to 2011 and 2011 to 2014. In addition, she served a number of years as a board member of Big Brothers Big Sisters of America Inc. in California, Delaware and Ohio.

For more information on ACHE's Board members, visit ache.org/Leadership.

About the American College of Healthcare Executives

The American College of Healthcare Executives is an international professional society of 40,000 healthcare executives who lead hospitals, healthcare systems and other healthcare organizations. ACHE's mission is to advance its members and healthcare management excellence. ACHE offers its prestigious FACHE® credential, signifying board certification in healthcare management. ACHE's established network of 78 chapters provides access to networking, education and career development at the local level. In addition, ACHE is known for its magazine, *Healthcare Executive*, and its career development and public policy programs. Through such efforts, ACHE works toward its vision of being the preeminent professional society for leaders dedicated to improving health. **The Foundation of the American College of Healthcare Executives** was established to further advance healthcare management excellence through education and research. The Foundation of ACHE is known for its educational

programs—including the annual Congress on Healthcare Leadership, which draws more than 4,000 participants—and groundbreaking research. Its publishing division, Health Administration Press, is one of the largest publishers of books and journals on health services management, including textbooks for college and university courses. For more information, visit www.ache.org.

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