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ASAE Announces 135 Professionals Earned CAE Credential

WASHINGTON, DC — One hundred and thirty-five association executives recently earned their Certified Association Executive (CAE[®]) credential from the CAE Commission of ASAE, joining more than 4,500 industry leaders around the globe.

The Winter 2024 class of CAEs successfully completed the CAE examination administered worldwide December 1-14, 2024. They will be honored, along with the May 2025 class of CAEs, during the 2025 ASAE Annual Meeting & Exposition in Los Angeles, CA, August 9-12. A full list of the Winter 2024 class, which includes a growing contingent of global association professionals, is at the end of the release.

“Congratulations to the newest class of CAEs! This milestone is a testament to your dedication, expertise, and commitment to advancing the profession. By earning the CAE credential, you join a community of leaders who are driving meaningful impact in associations and the industries they support.”, said TJ Coté, MBA, CAE, Chair of the CAE Commission and President and CEO of NextGen Association Management.

The CAE Program elevates professional standards, enhances individual performance, and designates those who have acquired and demonstrated the knowledge essential to the practice of association management. The CAE Program is accredited by the National Commission for Certifying Agencies (NCCA).

For more details about the CAE, visit asaecenter.org/cae.

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About ASAE

ASAE is a membership organization of more than 48,000 association executives and industry partners representing 7,400 organizations. Since it was established 100 years ago, its members have and continue to lead, manage, and work in or partner with organizations in more than a dozen association management disciplines, from executive management to finance to technology. With the support of the ASAE Research Foundation, a separate nonprofit entity, ASAE is the premier source of learning, knowledge, and future-oriented research for the association and nonprofit profession and provides resources, education, ideas, and advocacy to enhance the power and performance of the association and nonprofit community. Visit ASAE at www.asaecenter.org.

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