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Anthony Szczepaniak Named Chief Executive Officer of LEA Global

CLEVELAND, OH April 21, 2020 – LEA Global welcomes Anthony (Tony) Szczepaniak as Chief Executive Officer (CEO). Szczepaniak will lead the strategic direction and day-to-day operations of the international accounting association, focusing on membership best practices, cohesiveness, collaboration and growth.

Szczepaniak most recently led the Moore North America accounting and consulting firm association. His career also includes 15 years of working and leading Fortune 500 corporate tax teams and 15 years in public accounting, including as a tax partner serving primarily middle market clients.

“Tony brings perspective from outside the industry with his corporate roles, inside the industry with his public accounting experience, and the very specific expertise gained in leading an international association,” said LEA Global Board Chair Michael D. Newton. Newton is also the managing partner of member firm Fuller Landeau in Montreal, Canada. “Under his leadership and growth mindset, we will further strengthen the LEA Global community and move forward into the future.”

As CEO, Szczepaniak will leverage his experiences as a strategic thinker, business leader and change agent to work with LEA Global members to strengthen relationships, accelerate best practice sharing, and expand technical expertise and industry knowledge in accounting, audit, tax and business advisory.

“I look forward to working with the members of this well-respected community to help build a vision of a future that sees the uncertainty and volatility of today’s environment as opportunity,” commented Szczepaniak. “Creating belief and enthusiasm around this vision and purpose in a way that engages members while increasing the value for members and ultimately their clients, is the main goal.”

Szczepaniak, who has held several executive committee and resource panel roles for the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA), holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting from Elmhurst College, a Master of Science degree in Taxation from DePaul University, both in the Chicago-area, and certifications from University of Chicago, Harvard University and Stanford University.

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