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**Huntsville Business Owner Named National President  
of the Association of Consulting Foresters**  
*Wayne Pfluger, ACF, President, Lone Star Forestry, Named President of National Organization*

Williamsburg, VA – Huntsville business owner, Wayne Pfluger, ACF, was named president of the [Association of Consulting Foresters of America, Inc. \(ACF\)](#). ACF members are independent professionals who manage forests and market forest products for private woodland owners.

“Wayne has been instrumental in helping ACF through the past two years as president-elect, said Justin Miller, [Green Timber Consulting Foresters, Inc.](#), Pelkie, Michigan, and past-president of ACF. “I can’t think of a better person to take the helm of the national organization of consulting foresters.”

Founded in 2003, Pfluger’s firm works with a variety of private and public landowners meeting their forest and land management needs in southeast Texas. The four-person firm, including Pfluger’s son, Joe, specializes in a variety of forest management activities which include timber sales, timber inventories, timber appraisals, forest management planning, site preparation, tree planting, herbicide applications and prescribed burning.

He joined ACF soon after entering the consulting world, and became a full member in 2006. Pfluger served as Texas Chapter Chair and was on ACF’s Executive Committee as the Gulf Regional Director. For the past two years, he’s served as ACF’s president-elect.

Before starting his firm, Pfluger worked with the Kirby Forest Industries as a Management Forester assisting with management of Kirby’s East Texas timber holdings. After the company was purchased, he worked with private landowners developing a Landowner Assistance Program. Pfluger also worked for a large family-owned partnership managing their timberlands, cattle and hunting operations, and mineral holdings.

A graduate of Texas A&M University with a B.S. in Forestry, Pfluger has been an active member of the Society of American Foresters and the Texas Forestry Association serving on a variety of boards and committees with those organizations.

He is certified as a “Technical Service Provider” by the Natural Resource Conservation Service – USDA; a Texas Accredited Forester; and involved in the American Tree Farm System as a

Certified Tree Inspector. He has five former State Tree Farms of the Year under his management.

“I’m delighted to continue to work with Wayne as ACF’s president,” said Shannon McCabe, CAE, Executive Director, ACF. “I look forward to partnering with him to further the association’s mission.”

Pfluger joins current members of ACF’s 2022 Executive Committee:

- President-Elect: Rick S. Barnes, ACF, retired, President, Barnes & Associates, Inc., Roseburg, Oregon
- Past-President: Justin M. Miller, ACF, Green Timber R. Wetzel, ACF, Ecce Silva, LLC,
- Gulf Regional Director: Russell D. Autrey, ACF, Larson & McGowin, LLC, Mobile, AL
- Southern Regional Director: Jamie Alfriend, ACF, James I. Alfriend Consulting Foresters, Thomson, GA
- Northern Regional Director: Rene D. Noel, Jr., ACF, Southern Maine Forestry Service, Inc., Windham, ME
- Western Regional Director: Michael F. Wolcott, ACF, Inland Forest Management, Inc., Sandpoint, ID
- Treasurer: Roger G. Lord, ACF, Mason, Bruce, Girard, Inc., Portland, OR
- Secretary: Lee A. Steigerwaldt, ACF, Steigerwaldt Land Services, Inc., Tomahawk, WI

ACF members help landowners enhance property values, increase the value of timber, produce a more sustainable timber harvest, enhance wildlife habitat, and establish and protect a family’s forest legacy.

As a condition of membership, every consulting forester must have minimum education and experience levels, complete the Practice of Consulting Forestry course, and most importantly, agree to adhere to the organization’s stringent Code of Ethics.

For more information about ACF, log onto [www.acf-foresters.org](http://www.acf-foresters.org).

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