

# News Release



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## **DENNIS JAFFE HONORED WITH INTERNATIONAL AWARD BY FAMILY FIRM INSTITUTE**

*-- InnerWill congratulates advisory board member, recognized as 2017 winner--*

**RICHMOND, Va.** (Nov. 6, 2017) — Dennis Jaffe, founding advisory board member for InnerWill, was recognized by the Family Firm Institute on Oct. 27 as recipient of the 2017 International Award. The award is reserved for individuals and organizations that are engaged in family business activities between two or more countries; it is one of the most prestigious honors in the family enterprise leadership sector.

“It is incredibly gratifying to see Dennis’ level of expertise recognized by such a distinguished organization,” said InnerWill President Dr. Thomas Epperson. “We are honored that he serves on our board and congratulate him on this significant achievement.”

For over 40 years, Jaffe has been a leader and key educator in the field of family enterprise consulting. He holds a doctorate in sociology from Yale University and is a professor emeritus at Saybrook University in San Francisco. His four published books and multiple family meeting resources offer educational and organizational insight for family enterprise, and he is currently in the fourth phase of his 100-Year Family Enterprise research project. In addition, his global insights have led to teaching and consulting engagements in Dubai, Hong Kong, and Asia Pacific.

As a founding advisory board member of InnerWill, Jaffe works with multigenerational families to develop management procedure, foster next generation leadership, and assist financial organizations and family offices in serving their clients.

“What an incredible person. The complexities and nuances he has uncovered in his research and shared with the industry are remarkable,” said InnerWill Founder and Chairman Charles Luck, IV. “He simply does it all. From speaking to consulting to sharing his passion with others in the business, Dennis continues to inspire and educate us all.”

**About InnerWill**

Based in Richmond, Virginia, InnerWill is a national 501 c3 nonprofit organization committed to transforming individuals and organizations through Values Based Leadership. The organization works with businesses, nonprofits, and government agencies to develop leadership in every person, at every level. InnerWill provides customized programming to fit each client's needs and ensure positive and measurable impacts on everything from employee engagement to building trust. For more information, visit [www.InnerWill.org](http://www.InnerWill.org).

**About Family Firm Institute**

Founded in 1986, Family Firm Institute (FFI) is a global network committed to being the most comprehensive collective of thought leaders in the field of family enterprise. FFI provides research-based learning and relevant tools for advisors, consultants, academics and family enterprise members to drive success. Members hail from 80 distinct countries, making FFI the oldest and most prestigious multidisciplinary professional association for family enterprise in the world.

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