

Acertitude Appoints Executive Search Veteran Ben Warner as Global Head of Talent



NEW YORK (July 9, 2021) — Acertitude, the executive search firm committed to unleashing human potential, today announced that Ben Warner has joined as vice president of talent. Based in Chicago, he reports into Guy Barnes, managing partner.

“Ben’s role is a hugely important one for all of us within Acertitude. It represents a key investment in each one of us as we develop our job families and provide structured growth and development for all,” said Guy.

Ben will lead and drive Acertitude’s people strategy, including talent acquisition, talent development, and talent operations. His appointment represents the firm’s continued commitment to creating an extraordinary place for people to work, grow, and thrive. And to accelerating the hiring of high-caliber talent to meet heightened demand for its executive search, assessment, and pre-deal services in the U.S., Europe, and elsewhere.

Ben brings an incredible wealth of knowledge from his career with Big 5 search firms and Fortune 500 organizations. A global learning and development authority, he has traveled the world-leading programs and projects to improve skills development, diversity and inclusion, onboarding, and more.

“Coming to us from Spencer Stuart and Russell Reynolds, Ben’s understanding of our industry and all of our roles within it is truly distinctive. Moreover, having worked with Ben previously, he is a wonderful cultural fit for our firm,” added Guy. “Ben will help us define what talent means within Acertitude and ensure we continue to recruit the very best people whilst retaining and growing the wonderfully talented team we already have.”

During his time as global learning and development leader for Russell Reynolds Associates and Spencer Stuart, Ben developed a variety of programs for team members across every level and onboarded new colleagues in meaningful ways. His earlier experience includes facilitating team-building sessions and leading executive focus groups as a professional development consultant at Walgreens.

“I’m thrilled for the opportunity to join a firm dedicated to people and culture, where I can make a difference in the lives of our team members,” said Ben. “As we continue to scale globally, my mission begins with finding the right people and designing a compelling reason for them to

flourish while they're here. As well as setting a learning plan for the firm – inclusive of everyone – filled with training programs and development initiatives.”

Ben has a bachelor's and master's in communication from Western Illinois University.

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About Acertitude

Acertitude is the executive search firm unleashing human potential globally. The firm builds close client partnerships and drives an agile process to connect organizations with brilliant people at work. Acertitude serves the global executive search market across the consumer, financial, healthcare and life sciences, industrial, private equity, professional services, and technology industries. To learn more about how Acertitude places brilliant people at work, visit www.acertitude.com.

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