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Acertitude Recruits CEO for Private Equity-Backed IPC

Robert A. Santella will lead the next phase of growth and innovation for IPC

NEW YORK (April 16, 2018) — Acertitude, the executive search firm that's unleashing human potential globally, is honored to have recruited Robert (Bob) A. Santella as the new Chief Executive Officer of IPC, a leading global provider of secure, compliant communications and networking solutions for the financial markets community that is backed by Centerbridge Partners, L.P, a leading private investment firm. Mr. Santella's appointment is effective on April 16, 2018.

Santella has built his career successfully managing global financial, investment, and trading software businesses, with demonstrated expertise in the fintech and financial services industries. He has a strong track record of leading businesses through technological transformations, including software and SaaS transitions, while growing revenue and increasing profitability.

"I am excited to join IPC, the market leader in innovative voice communications and networking solutions," said Santella. "Acertitude was a key partner throughout the process and played a critical role in matching my leadership skills to Centerbridge's goals for the next IPC CEO. Their commitment to building long-term relationships and deep knowledge of IPC and the industry uniquely positions Acertitude as a valued and trusted advisor."

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“We look forward to supporting Bob and the entire IPC team as the company continues to execute on its transformation,” said Jared Hendricks, a member of the board of directors at IPC and a senior managing director at Centerbridge Partners. “His diverse background, collaborative and engaging approach, and proven track record in developing high-performing teams make him an ideal choice to lead IPC. We are confident that his broad array of leadership experiences will be a great asset to the business and the team.”

The executive search was led by members of Acertitude’s CEO recruitment practice: Rick DeRose, Managing Partner and Scott Carberry, Senior Partner. Mr. DeRose has 25 years of executive search experience, specializing in CEO and C-suite placements for technology and private equity-backed portfolio companies. Mr. Carberry brings complementary expertise building high-performing executive teams for private equity firms and companies driving business transformations.

“Bob is a world-class executive who embodies IPC’s values and focus on anticipating and driving change,” said DeRose. “His global fintech expertise and commitment to operational excellence make him the right leader to transform and usher IPC into the 21st century. We look forward to seeing the joint success story between Bob and IPC unfold.”

Read the IPC press release:

<https://www.prnewswire.com/news-releases/ipc-names-robert-a-santella-as-chief-executive-officer-300623348.html>



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