



## American Culinary Federation

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## American Culinary Federation Announces Resignation of ACF National President and Appointment of New Leadership

ST. AUGUSTINE, FLA, July 21, 2020 – The American Culinary Federation announced that Stafford DeCambra, CEC, CCE, CCA, AAC has announced his voluntary resignation as ACF National President for personal reasons.

Effective July 21, 2020, and following the steps of succession laid out in ACF ByLaws, the position will be filled by the Immediate Past President, Thomas J. Macrina, CEC, CCE, CCA, AAC. Chef Macrina will serve as ACF National President through the remainder of the current term, which concludes at the 2021 National Convention in Orlando, Fla.

Thomas “Tom” Macrina is a Certified Executive Chef® (CEC®), Certified Culinary Administrator® (CCA®) and a member of the American Academy of Chefs® (AAC®), the honor society of the American Culinary Federation, Inc. (ACF). He has been serving as the immediate past president of ACF and the chair of the ACF Education Foundation since 2017. Previously, he was elected the ACF national president for two terms, 2013-2015 and 2015-2017 term. He also held the positions of ACF Board of Directors national secretary, 2011-2013, and chair of the AAC, 2007-2011.

He is a Food Fanatics® Chef for US Foods, Philadelphia Division, Philadelphia. He has been with US Foods since 2011.

Chef Macrina has been tireless in volunteering his time and energy in advancing the culinary industry, fostering the talents of culinary students, and helping his local community.

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"Moving forward, we are confident that the Board of Directors, National Staff, and volunteer leaders from the ACF membership will continue delivering the standard of excellence we are accustomed to in the ACF," said Macrina. "We thank Chef DeCambra for his service and contributions over the past thirteen years and wish him much success in his personal endeavors," added Macrina.

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#### About the American Culinary Federation

The American Culinary Federation, Inc. (ACF), established in 1929, is the standard of excellence for chefs in North America. With more than 15,500 members spanning more than 170 chapters nationwide, ACF is the leading culinary association offering educational resources, training, apprenticeship and programmatic accreditation. In addition, ACF operates the most comprehensive certification program for chefs in the United States, with the Certified Executive Chef®, Certified Sous Chef®, Certified Executive Pastry Chef® and Certified Culinary Educator® designations accredited by the National Commission for Certifying Agencies. The American Culinary Federation Education Foundation is home to ACF Culinary Team USA, the official representative for the United States in major international culinary competitions, and to Chef & Child, founded in 1989 to promote proper nutrition in children and to combat childhood obesity. For more information, visit [www.acfchefs.org](http://www.acfchefs.org). Find ACF on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [Twitter](#) and digital publications hub [WeAreChefs.com](http://WeAreChefs.com).