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PRESS RELEASE

Ronald Angelo Johnson Selected as Alpha Chi Distinguished Alumnus for 2023

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — Alpha Chi National College Honor Society has named Dr. Ronald Angelo Johnson, a Baylor University professor and former CIA analyst, as its 2023 Distinguished Alumnus. Dr. Johnson was selected for the honor by the organization’s governing board following the nomination of the Texas Iota Chapter at Texas State University, where he was inducted as a member.

The Alpha Chi Distinguished Alumni Award is the highest honor Alpha Chi bestows on an individual alumni member, and it recognizes those who have achieved notable success in their field and made significant contributions to their communities. This prestigious award is presented annually to an outstanding alumnus or alumna of the society, selected by the National Council from nominees supplied by chapters or directly by another Alpha Chi member.

Dr. Johnson holds two master’s degrees, Ph.D., and is a published author with over a dozen peer-reviewed articles in the areas of history and political science. He served for over a decade at the U.S. Department of State and the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) and has been a professor at Baylor University since 2008. In his current role, he teaches courses on intelligence and national security, and his research interests include the Cold War, the Soviet Union, and intelligence history.

“It brings me great pleasure to announce that the National Council of Alpha Chi has selected Dr. Ronald Angelo Johnson for this award.” said Alpha Chi Executive Director Lara Q. Noah. “I look forward to hearing from Dr. Johnson in April when he shares with delegates his journey of making scholarship effective for good.”

Dr. Johnson will be honored during a special session at Alpha Chi’s national convention in Albuquerque, New Mexico on April 1, 2023. He will deliver a keynote address and receive his award from Alpha Chi President Dr. David Jones.

For more information on Alpha Chi National College Honor Society and the Distinguished Alumni Award, please visit www.alphachihonor.org/distinguished-alumni-award.

Alpha Chi National College Honor Society invites to membership juniors, seniors, and graduate students from all disciplines in the top ten percent of their classes. Active on nearly 300 campuses nationwide, chapters induct approximately 10,000 students annually. Since the Society's founding in 1922, Alpha Chi members charged with upholding the tenets of Truth and Character have dedicated themselves to “making scholarship effective for good.” Alpha Chi is a certified member in good standing of the Association of College Honor Societies.

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