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CHURCH'S CHICKEN® FRANCHISEE ACCEPTS IFA AWARD FOR 2014 'ENTREPRENEUR OF THE YEAR'

Aslam Khan, Church's® largest franchisee, honored at annual convention in Las Vegas

Atlanta, GA – Aslam Khan, the largest franchisee of the *Church's Chicken®* system, accepted his award for 2014 'Entrepreneur of the Year' at the International Franchise Association's annual convention earlier this week in Las Vegas. *Church's®* is one of the world's largest quick-service restaurant chicken chains, known for its hand-battered chicken and honey-butter biscuits made from scratch. Khan was awarded the IFA's Entrepreneur of the Year award for his entrepreneurial spirit, commitment to his community and innovations in management and operations.

"We are so proud of Aslam for earning this award," said Jim Hyatt, Chief Executive Officer for *Church's Chicken*[®]. "It is an incredible honor that one of our franchisees was recognized in this way by the International Franchise Association. Aslam has been a tremendous asset to our business and to our success."

Khan, who was born in Pakistan, immigrated to the United States in 1987 and got his start as a dishwasher. Now, he operates more than 225 multi-unit franchised restaurants in 13 states.

"I feel it is my duty from my earned success to pay it forward to others," said Khan. "In my operations, I've tried to develop programs and initiatives that give others opportunities to lead, to create better lives for themselves and their families, to promote a diverse workforce and to reward those who work hard."

Khan is CEO of Falcon Holdings, which operates more than 140 *Church's Chicken*[®] locations and is a multi-unit operator of Long John Silver's and A&W franchised restaurants. In 2011, Khan was bestowed the Ronald E. Harrison award by the IFA for his commitment to diversity in his operations.

Khan was named Entrepreneur of the Year by the IFA in October 2014 and accepted the award at a formal presentation during the 55th Annual Convention on February 18, 2015. The International Franchise Association is the oldest and largest organization representing franchising worldwide. For more information, visit www.franchise.org.

About Church's Chicken®

Founded in San Antonio, TX in 1952 by George W. Church, *Church's Chicken*® is one of the largest quick service restaurant chicken chains in the world. *Church's*® specializes in Original and Spicy Chicken freshly prepared

throughout the day in small batches that are hand-battered and double-breaded, Tender Strips®, sandwiches, honey-butter biscuits made from scratch and freshly baked, and classic, home-style sides all for a great value. *Church's*® (along with its sister brand, *Texas Chicken*® outside the Americas) has more than 1,650 locations in 23 countries and system-wide sales of more than \$1 billion. For more information, visit www.churchs.com. Follow *Church's*® on Facebook at www.facebook.com/churchschicken and Twitter at www.twitter.com/churchschicken.

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