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JODE BUNCE RECEIVES CDA'S HALL OF FAME AWARD



FEB 12, 2019 - San Antonio, TX - Jode Bunce, executive vice president of cigarettes and stamping, Eby-Brown Co., Naperville, IL, was presented with the Convenience Distribution Association's Hall of Fame award Feb. 12 at the Convenience Distribution Marketplace in San Antonio.

CDA's Hall of Fame award is presented to the industry's most valued participants—those whose careers are highlighted by continual accomplishments on the industry's behalf, and who have demonstrated unquestioned dedication to CDA's highest values.

A day after graduating from Northern Illinois University, Bunce joined Eby-Brown's sales training program, and in 1987, he became a commission sales person and won the sales person of the year award the next year. Since then, he has climbed the ladder to his current role of executive vice president of cigarettes and stamping.

Bunce has a long and varied history with CDA, serving as chairman in 2007, on the association's Board and on different committees. He has accomplished much in his career, and due to the time, commitment and passion he puts into the betterment of our industry, there's no doubt that he has earned CDA's Hall of Fame award.

"Nobody is more dedicated to the industry and our association than Jode," said Chad Owen, Chambers & Owen. "His dedication and commitment make him the perfect candidate for the Hall of Fame award. No issue is too big or too small for him to take on if he feels it benefits our association and our industry."

"He's always involved, he's served on many committees, and he's always coming up with good ideas," said Kevin Barney, Atlantic Dominion Distributors. "He brings a lot of energy to everything he does, and he's someone who will speak his mind about things he sees as opportunities to make things better."

"Induction into CDA's Hall of Fame represents a lifetime of achievement and excellence in the convenience distribution industry," said Kimberly Bolin, CDA president and CEO. "Jode has a long history with the association having served in a variety of capacities. It doesn't matter what the task, he goes all in. We could not be more proud to recognize his outstanding contributions."

Bunce has two children, Alexandria (Lexi), 24 and Jacob, 23, who both interned at Eby-Brown during their summer breaks from college.

About CDA:

The Convenience Distribution Association (CDA) is the trade organization working on behalf of convenience product distributors in the United States. Its distributor members represent more than \$92 billion in U.S. convenience product sales, serving a wide variety of small retail formats. Associate members include leading convenience product manufacturers, brokers, retailers, suppliers, and others allied to the industry. For more information visit: www.cdaweb.net.

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