Express Named Entrepreneur's Best Staffing Franchise for Eighth Consecutive Year

OKLAHOMA CITY, Jan. 10, 2018—Global staffing giant Express Employment Professionals capped off a momentous year by once again nabbing the No. 1 staffing franchise distinction on Entrepreneur Magazine's 40th annual Franchise 500[®] list and is among the top 100 companies. This is the eighth straight year the company has been awarded best in category.

"Thanks to passionate and dedicated franchise owners and an innovative team at our international headquarters, Express continues to blaze down the path of success," said Express CEO Bill Stoller. "We believe that our proven franchise system offers entrepreneurs a path to fulfill their dreams of business ownership armed with tools crafted by 35 years of staffing success."



More than 1,000 applications were submitted for consideration this year, according to the magazine, creating intense competition for top spots. Rankings are based on financial strength and stability, growth rate and the number of years a company has been in business.

Express celebrated its 35th anniversary in 2018 with more than 800 franchise locations, landing at No. 11 on the Staffing Industry Analysts Largest Global Staffing Firms list. In the United States, Express jumped to No. 6 on SIA's list of Largest U.S. Staffing Firms.

Entrepreneur Magazine and Forbes further recognized Express on their top 100 franchises for less than \$150,000 list and one of America's best franchises to buy, respectively. Express rounded out the 2018 accolades as a top five business service franchise from the Entrepreneur Franchise 500®, which also predicts staffing as one of the top 10 franchise categories that will boom in 2019.

"Each new year is exciting in the staffing business with the chance to change people's lives through employment, and the future for Express is bright," Stoller said.

If you would like to arrange for an interview with Bill Stoller to discuss this topic, please contact Sheena Karami, Director of Corporate Communications and PR, at (405) 717-5966.

About Bill Stoller

William H. "Bill" Stoller is CEO and Chairman of the Board of Express Employment Professionals. Headquartered in Oklahoma City, the international staffing company has more than 800 franchises in the U.S., Canada and South Africa. Since its inception, Express has put more than 6 million people to work worldwide.

About Express Employment Professionals

Express Employment Professionals puts people to work. It generated \$3.4 billion in sales and employed

a record 540,000 people in 2017. Its information, visit <u>ExpressPros.com</u> .	long-term goal is to put	a million people to wor	k annually. For more