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## DiSTI Announces Leadership Transition: Jason Thagard Appointed as President, Joe Swinski Joins Board of Directors as Vice Chairman

Jason Thagard has been selected to lead DiSTI's next phase of growth, while Joe Swinski provides strategic guidance in his new role.

**Orlando, FL (January 9, 2025)** – The DiSTI Corporation is pleased to announce the appointment of Jason Thagard as President, effective immediately. Mr. Thagard succeeds Joe Swinski, co-founder and long-serving President, who will transition to a strategic role as Vice Chairman on DiSTI's Board of Directors.

Under Swinski's leadership, DiSTI has grown from a startup to a dominant force in the simulation and training market over the last three decades. Since is founding in 1994, DiSTI has delivered cutting-edge solutions to clients across aerospace, automotive, manufacturing, medical, and the defense industries, experiencing unprecedented growth and earning a reputation for innovative and immersive solutions.

"Joe's vision and dedication over the past 30 years have been the foundation of DiSTI's success," said Jason Thagard. "I am honored to build to build on this legacy as we continue to innovate and expand our global footprint in the simulation and training markets, and beyond."



Mr. Thagard brings over 25 years of experience in software development, project management, and strategic leadership. He holds both a Bachelor's degree and a Master's from the University of Florida. Additionally, he is a certified Project Management Professional (PMP) and has been actively involved in various industry associations.

Prior to joining DiSTI, Mr. Thagard held key positions at several technology firms, where he was instrumental in driving growth and innovation. In his new role, he will oversee DiSTI's operations, focusing on expanding the company's market presence and enhancing its product offerings to meet the evolving needs of clients worldwide.

"We are thrilled to welcome Jason to the DiSTI team," said Joe Swinski, outgoing President and newly appointed Vice Chairman of the Board. "His extensive experience and proven track record in the software industry make him the ideal leader to guide our company into its next phase of growth."

Mr. Thagard expressed enthusiasm about his new role, stating, "I am honored to join DiSTI Corporation and look forward to working with the talented team to deliver innovative solutions to our clients. Together, we will continue to drive the company's success and contribute to the advancement of the software industry."

For individuals seeking to learn more about the services and solutions provided by The DiSTI Corporation, please reach out to <a href="mailto:sales@disti.com">sales@disti.com</a>

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