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## **Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute Hires Donn Thompson as Director, Architectural Precast Systems**

CHICAGO, October 19, 2018 – Today, Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute announced that it has hired Donn Thompson as its new director of architectural precast systems. Thompson brings more than 30 years of experience in the U.S. construction industry to the position, including 14 years as an architect working with firms on a variety of commercial, institutional, and residential construction projects.

“Donn’s addition to the PCI team is vital to our ongoing effort to work with the architectural community across the country to improve safety and cost effectiveness of the built environment,” said PCI President and CEO Bob Risser, P.E. “PCI’s ongoing R&D and education activities are in support of helping our producers and their partners in the architectural and engineering communities produce and maintain the highest-quality building systems in the world. Donn’s experience will help us continue that mission.”

Thompson’s involvement in the concrete building industry includes 13 years with the Portland Cement Association, where he oversaw many of the cement-industry buildings promotion programs. He earned his undergraduate and Master of Architecture degrees from the University of Illinois, Chicago, and is an Illinois-licensed architect.

“Working for the trade association for U.S. cement producers, I was involved with actively promoting all types of concrete building systems,” Thompson said. “I look forward to joining the PCI team to focus on direct education and promotion of architecture precast systems, a segment of the overall industry with so much growth potential.”

### **About PCI**

*Founded in 1954, The Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute (PCI) is a technical institute for the precast concrete structures industry. PCI develops, maintains, and disseminates the body of knowledge for designing, fabricating, and constructing precast structures. PCI provides technical resources, certification for companies and individuals, continuing education, as well as conducts research and*

*development projects, conventions, conferences, awards programs, and much more. PCI members include precast concrete manufacturers, companies that provide products and services to the industry, precast concrete erectors, and individual members such as architects, consultants, contractors, developers, educators, engineers, materials suppliers, service providers, and students.*

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