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Dr. Joshua Jacobs Elected to Board of American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery

Chapel Hill, NC—The Board of Directors of the American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery (ABOS) recently elected Joshua Jacobs, MD, Chairman of Orthopedic Surgery at Rush University Medical Center, as a new director. He begins service on the Board immediately.

“We are very fortunate to have Dr. Jacobs, a nationally recognized orthopaedic leader who was previously president of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons, join the board and we will look forward to his contributions for the next seven years,” said J. Lawrence Marsh, MD, President of the ABOS Board of Directors.

Jacobs completed his orthopaedic residency training at the Combined Harvard Orthopaedic Residency Program in Boston and his fellowship in Adult Reconstructive Orthopaedic Surgery at Rush. He holds the positions of Associate Provost for Research at Rush University and Vice Dean for Research at Rush Medical College. Jacobs is also a past president of the Orthopaedic Research Society and the United States Bone and Joint Decade/Initiative.

The Board consists of 21 members which include 12 Active Directors, six Senior Directors, two Directors-Elect, and one Public Member Director. All members serve one seven-year term with an option of serving an additional three years as Senior Directors. The Public Member Director may serve two three-year terms.

Nominations come from the American Orthopaedic Association, the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons, and the American Medical Association. Each organization nominates four physicians two out of every three years and the Board votes for one candidate from each slate. When there is a vacancy on the Board, the President convenes a nominations committee to recommend a slate of candidates which are then voted on by the Board. For a full list of members, go to abos.org/about/board-of-directors.aspx.

The American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery, Inc. was founded in 1934 as a private, voluntary, nonprofit, independent organization to serve the best interests of the public and the medical profession. These interests are achieved through the ABOS by establishing standards for the education of orthopaedic surgeons. These standards are evaluated by the ABOS through examinations and practice evaluations. More information can be found at abos.org.

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