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ACR, Inc. Earns Top Restoration Industry Award RIA picks ACR for 2014 Phoenix Award for Innovation in Restoration

WHEELING, IL, (April 10, 2014)- ACR, Inc. was announced as the winner of the 2014 Phoenix Award for Innovation in Restoration at the Restoration Industry Association (RIA) annual conference held in Orlando, FL. This prestigious award acknowledges "conspicuously high achievement in the area of disaster restoration," with emphasis on innovative techniques and delivery of superior outcome and value. The RIA's Phoenix Award is open to restoration contractors worldwide.



"ACR is all about continuous professional education to perform our restoration at the highest possible level. When you combine knowledge of top level protocol with experience and creative thinking, the results will get noticed," remarked ACR's co-founder and Managing Director, Jim O'Callaghan. "ACR has never lost sight of our commitment to perform restoration far beyond peoples' expectations, and we're truly delighted to be recognized in this way."

The restoration project that has won ACR the Phoenix Award was the recovery of a water-damaged gymnasium floor at a junior high school in Lake County, IL. Gym floors that warp and buckle as a result of water damage are often torn out and replaced at costs for a full floor in excess of \$240,000 and project spans of several months. ACR's innovative and effective restorative drying method dried the floor in-place at a financial savings of 80% and operational continuity savings of over 90%. Colleges,

universities, school districts and park district organizations benefit significantly with lower recovery costs and minimized loss of use, as do insurance companies, risk managers and claims adjusters.

ACR, Inc. was founded in 1986 by Jim O'Callaghan and Mike Pohl and specializes in restorative drying and cleaning for property damaged by water, fire and smoke, mold and trauma scenes. ACR serves the Chicago and Milwaukee metropolitan areas, and regionally, the states of Illinois, Wisconsin, Indiana and Iowa for large loss recoveries.