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**John T. (Tom) Mentzer, Ph.D. Honored with
The International Society of Logistics' 2007 Armitage Medal**

Knoxville, TN —, Dr. John (Tom) Mentzer, Bruce Chair of Excellence in the University of Tennessee's Department of Marketing and Logistics, received the prestigious Armitage Medal awarded by The International Society of Logistics (SOLE). He is the first recipient from the University of Tennessee.

First awarded in 2003, the Armitage Medal recognizes outstanding contributions to logistics literature. The organization honors one individual annually whose published books and technical papers have improved and increased the knowledge of logistics.

Over his 30-year career, Mentzer has compiled an incredible record of accomplishments within the logistics discipline. These accomplishments include 25 years of training logistics professionals at the University of Tennessee and Virginia Tech University, an unmatched publications record of innovative research, an extensive variety of service contributions to the profession, and acknowledged leadership in every organization in which he participates.

He has received numerous awards for his research and teaching, has written hundreds of articles and books; has been honored with the Council of Logistics Management's 2004 Distinguished Service Award; and is a distinguished fellow of the Academy of Marketing Science, a distinction given to less than 30 scholars worldwide. He has worked for or consulted with over 100 organizations, including General Motors, Coca Cola, Corning, U.S. Defense Logistics Agency, DuPont, Michelin, Nestle, Nike, Sony, Staples, and Whirlpool. He presently serves on the boards of directors and Supply Chain Advisory Boards of several major corporations.

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