



## Hain Celestial Names Mark L. Schiller Chief Executive Officer

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### **Veteran Executive with Proven Track Record of Delivering Operational Improvement and Growth in the Consumer Packaged Foods Industry to Lead Hain Celestial's Next Phase of Growth**

LAKE SUCCESS, N.Y., Oct. 29, 2018 /PRNewswire/ -- The Hain Celestial Group, Inc. (Nasdaq: HAIN) ("Hain Celestial" or the "Company"), a leading organic and natural products company with operations in North America, Europe, Asia and the Middle East providing consumers with A Healthier Way of Life™, today announced that its Board of Directors has named veteran consumer packaged foods executive Mark L. Schiller as the Company's new President and Chief Executive Officer, effective November 5, 2018, and Schiller will be nominated as a director of the Company at its Annual Meeting of Shareholders on December 5, 2018. Schiller will succeed Irwin D. Simon, Hain Celestial's Founder, President and Chief Executive Officer.



Schiller joins Hain Celestial with a proven track record of strategic leadership including more than 25 years of executive experience in key consumer packaged foods leadership roles at Pinnacle Foods, Inc., PepsiCo, Inc. and other companies. Most recently, Schiller served as Pinnacle Foods' Executive Vice President and Chief Commercial Officer where he was responsible for overseeing its multi-billion dollar grocery and frozen segments which represented the vast majority of Pinnacle Foods' consolidated sales and profitability. In this role, he led all key commercial functions, including sales, marketing strategy, innovation, product development, package design, commercialization, productivity, consumer insights and shopper marketing. During Schiller's tenure at Pinnacle Foods, he successfully helped orchestrate a multi-year turnaround and delivered record market share gains, sales growth, gross margin and profit growth.

Andrew R. Heyer, Hain Celestial's Lead Director commented, "After an extensive search with many qualified candidates, we are thrilled that Mark Schiller will join Hain Celestial as the next Chief Executive Officer. Mark is a highly accomplished consumer packaged foods executive with an impressive track record of reinvigorating growth and improving margins for many iconic brands. Under Mark's leadership, Hain Celestial will accelerate its business transformation through the execution of our four-point strategic plan investing in top brands and capabilities to grow globally, delivering on Project Terra cost savings, continually enhancing leadership across the organization, and building upon our enviable position as a leader in organic, natural and better-for-you products, to create sustainable, long-term value for our stockholders."

Irwin D. Simon stated, "Mark is an incredibly talented executive and I am confident he can lead Hain Celestial in its next phase of growth to generate value for all of our stakeholders. His disciplined management style, entrepreneurial spirit and relentless passion for profitable growth will serve Hain Celestial well as our team works to further advance our strategic objectives."

Mark L. Schiller commented, "I am excited and honored to have the opportunity to lead Hain Celestial, and have long admired the Company's vision

and mission for its organic, natural and better-for-you brands. I am proud of what we accomplished during my eight years at Pinnacle Foods, and believe in driving continuous operational improvements while making disciplined investments in innovation and brand building to achieve success at Hain Celestial. I look forward to working with the team as we build upon the Company's strong foundation and take Hain Celestial's business to the next level of growth."

#### **About The Hain Celestial Group, Inc.**

The Hain Celestial Group (Nasdaq: HAIN), headquartered in Lake Success, NY, is a leading organic and natural products company with operations in North America, Europe, Asia and the Middle East. Hain Celestial participates in many natural categories with well-known brands that include Alba Botanica®, Almond Dream®, Arrowhead Mills®, Avalon Organics®, Bearitos®, Better Bean®, BluePrint®, Casbah®, Celestial Seasonings®, Clarks™, Coconut Dream®, Cully & Sully®, Danival®, DeBoles®, Earth's Best®, Ella's Kitchen®, Empire®Europe's Best®, Farmhouse Fare™, Frank Cooper's®, FreeBird®, Gale's®, Garden of Eatin'®, GG UniqueFiber™, Hain Pure Foods®, Hartley's®, Health Valley®, Imagine®, JĀSŌN®, Johnson's Juice Co.®, Joya®, Kosher Valley®, Lima®, Linda McCartney's® (under license), Live Clean®, MaraNatha®, Mary Berry (under license), Natumi®, New Covent Garden Soup Co.®, Orchard House®, Plainville Farms®, Queen Helene®, Rice Dream®, Robertson's®, Rudi's Gluten-Free Bakery®, Rudi's Organic Bakery®, Sensible Portions®, Spectrum Organics®, Soy Dream®, Sun-Pat®, Sunripe®, SunSpire®, Terra®, The Greek Gods®, Tilda®, Walnut Acres®, WestSoy®, Yorkshire Provender®, Yves Veggie Cuisine® and William's™. Hain Celestial has been providing A Healthier Way of Life™ since 1993. For more information, visit [www.hain.com](http://www.hain.com).

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