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**ASW Global's André Thornton selected as a member of the EY Entrepreneurs Access Network's 2023 Cohort of Black and Hispanic/Latino entrepreneurs**

*The EY Entrepreneurs Access Network supports Black and Hispanic/Latino entrepreneurs scale by removing barriers to reveal bridges*

Mogadore, OH, February 23, 2023 — Ernst & Young LLP (EY US) announces that André Thornton, CEO of ASW Global, a third-party logistics company providing a range of end-to-end supply chain management services, has been selected as a member of the 2023 EY Entrepreneurs Access Network (EAN) cohort. EAN is a business accelerator program created to support founders of Black- and Hispanic/Latino-owned companies. Entrepreneurs are chosen based on their potential for scalability, leadership style, business acumen, and company culture.

Of the roughly 1,000 applications that were opened, 70 people were selected, representing 15 geographies and ten different sectors. These trailblazers focus on resolving some of the most pressing issues facing society and consumers today.

"The contributions of Black and Hispanic/Latino entrepreneurs are nothing short of transformative, and we are thrilled to support this talented cohort as they take their businesses to the next level. The societal, economic and cultural impact of their businesses strengthens our communities on many levels – especially when these executives can access the resources to succeed in the long run," said Lee Henderson, Americas EY Private Leader; Executive Sponsor, EY Entrepreneurs Access Network.

As many programs focus on funding small business owners who are people of color, there is a gap when it comes to offering broadscale support for enterprises that are no longer small. By engaging in the program, entrepreneurs have access to curriculum covering critical business topics, one-on-one coaching, connections to investors and capital sources, and cohort members who represent potential alliances, vendors, and customers. The program was first conceived in 2019, following decades of working with diverse entrepreneurs and understanding their opportunities and challenges.

As the owner of a mid-market company, Thornton welcomes the opportunity to participate in the program and network with comparable entrepreneurs and industry leaders. For more information on the Entrepreneurs Access Network, please visit [ey.com/EAN](https://ey.com/EAN).

**About ASW Global**

ASW Global is a third-party logistics company offering a range of supply chain solutions including: warehousing & distribution, material handling, branded merchandise fulfillment, and asset management services. The company provides end-to-end solutions with three distinct specializations:

- Supply Chain Services
- Ecommerce, Merchandise, & Fulfillment Solutions
- Energy & Utility Industry Solutions

For more information about ASW visit <https://www.aswglobal.com>.