

## Washington, DC's Dr. Leonard Merlo, DDS, FACS, Inducted Into The American College Of Surgeons

**BOSTON** – On Sunday October 21, the American College of Surgeons (ACS) welcomed the 2018 initiates into the college at the 2018 Convocation ceremony. ACS welcomed a class of 1,970 new Initiates representing the United States, Canada, and 73 other countries. Dr. Merlo of Washington, DC was one of the Initiates and was in attendance at the ceremony in Boston, MA.

The letters FACS (Fellow, American College of Surgeons) after a surgeon's name mean that the surgeon's education and training, professional qualifications, surgical competence and ethical conduct have passed a rigorous evaluation and have been found to be consistent with the high standards established and demanded by the college.

The College currently has more than 80,000 members, including more than 6,600 Fellows in other countries, making it the largest organization of surgeons in the world. There are currently only 520 or so Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeons in the world accepted into the ACS and Dr. Merlo feels honored to be one of them.