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Ronald Arenson, M.D. '70, recently retired as chair of the Department of Radiology and Biomedical Imaging and the Alexander R. Margulis Distinguished Professor of Radiology at the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF). Dr. Arenson holds a bachelor's degree in mathematics from Duke University and a medical degree from New York Medical College (NYMC) School of Medicine.

He has been awarded gold medals from the Association of University Radiologists, the International Society of Strategic Studies in Radiology and the Academy of Radiology Research and the Alumni Medal of Honor from NYMC, as well as honorary membership in the European Society of Radiology. Dr. Arenson has received the Innovation and Leadership Award from the Radiology Research Alliance, the Visionary Leadership Award from the Society of Chairmen of Academic Radiology Departments (SCARD), the Holly Smith Award for leadership from UCSF and the UCSF Health Leadership Award.

He has recently completed his service as president of the Radiological Society of North America (RSNA) after having served on the RSNA Board of Directors for eight years. Dr. Arenson has served on both the Advisory Council of the National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) as well as the NIH Council of Councils. He has served as president of the Association of University Radiologists, SCARD, the Board of GE-Radiology Research Academic Fellowship (GERRAF), the International Society for Strategic Studies in Radiology (ISSSR), the Radiology Information Systems Consortium (RISC) and the Academy of Radiology Research (ARR). He is the former president of the medical staff at UCSF. Dr. Arenson currently serves on the Board of Trustees for the RSNA Research and Education Foundation.

He was a founding member of the Board of Directors of Telequest, Inc., a teleradiology company and served on the von Neuman Supercomputing Center Board of Directors.

Dr. Arenson now serves as a docent at the California Academy of Science in San Francisco, and as a consultant to several startups and early development companies in the San Francisco Bay Area.