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**NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF INSURANCE GUARANTY FUNDS
ELECTS NEW BOARD MEMBERS**

Indianapolis, IN, June 3, 2011 – The National Conference of Guaranty Funds (NCIGF) has elected new board members at the organization's 2011 annual meeting in Memphis.

NCIGF members elected the following individuals to serve terms on the NCIGF board:

Charles P. Breitstadt

Charles P. Breitstadt is Senior Director of Government Relations for the Nationwide Insurance Enterprise in Columbus, Ohio. A resident of Dublin, Ohio, Breitstadt oversees Nationwide's National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC) Relations. He is also responsible for managing general regulatory affairs and guaranty funds-related issues for all Nationwide Companies, including the Allied Group.

David C. Edwards

David C. Edwards is President of Western Guaranty Fund Services (WGFS), a multi-state organization made up of six state guaranty associations.

Edwards has worked in the insurance industry since 1965, when he was hired as a multi-line adjuster for The Travelers. A resident of Denver, Colorado, Edwards experience in insurer insolvencies began in 1986 when he was retained as a claim consultant by the deputy receiver of the Western Preferred Casualty Company, a Colorado insolvency.

In 1998 Edwards joined WGFS as claims manager. He was appointed President of the organization in 2003. Dave is a member of numerous insolvency coordinating committees and NCIGF committees, including the NCIGF board's Executive Committee.

Larry Hinton

Larry Hinton serves as Senior Counsel for GEICO, where he's worked since 1997. A resident of Bowie, Maryland, Hinton's responsibilities include a range of legislative regulatory-related activities, and market conduct examinations.

From 1989 to 1997 Hinton served the District of Columbia Department of Insurance as Senior Counsel in the Office of General Counsel with responsibilities for agent and company compliance, fraud enforcement, legislative drafting and implementation, financial and insolvency proceedings including administrative hearings for suspension or revocation of company Certificate of Authority. He currently serves on the Maryland, Vermont Guaranty Fund Board of Director and is the Chairman of the District of Columbia Board of Director.

Craig A. Johnson

Craig A. Johnson will become President, Chief Executive Officer, and member of the Board of Directors of FCCI Insurance Group on June 3. Johnson has worked for FCCI since 2003 most recently as Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer with responsibility for all accounting, investment, actuarial, and information technology functions. Prior to his tenure at FCCI, Johnson served as Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of American Skyline Insurance Company. He is a resident of Sarasota, Florida.

Brandon E. LaSalle

Brandon E. LaSalle has served as Government Affairs Counsel for the American Family Insurance Group since 1989. A resident of Evergreen, Colorado, LaSalle serves as a company intermediary with regulatory authorities in Colorado, Idaho and Oregon, developing policy related to legislative and regulatory issues. He also represents American Family before legislatures, administrative rule hearings and other public forums. From 1984 to 1989 he served as Trial Attorney for American Family.

Michael C. Marchman**Georgia Insurers Insolvency Pool**

Michel C. Marchman is the Executive Director of the Georgia Insurers Insolvency Pool and of the Georgia Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association. A resident of Lilburn, Georgia, Marchman has been with the Pool since 1984 and the Association since 1992. He also served as Deputy Receiver in Georgia, where he oversaw 16 insolvent estates from 1991 through 1995.

Marchman served on the Executive Committee and as Chairman of the Board of Directors of the National Conference of Insurance Guaranty Funds (NCIGF) and numerous NCIGF committees. He also is on the board of the National Organization of Life & Health Insurance Guaranty Associations (NOLHGA) and is Chairman of its Members Participation Council.

Wayne D. Wilson**Executive Director, California Insurance Guarantee Association**

Wayne D. Wilson is Executive Director of the California Insurance Guarantee Association (CIGA), where he oversees a staff of more than 150 full time permanent and temporary employees handling more than 20,000 claims. He is a resident of Redondo Beach, California.

Prior to joining CIGA, Mr. Wilson served for eight years as Vice President – Legislative and Regulatory Affairs for Farmers Insurance. At Farmers he guided a team that had responsibility for all phases of the company's interactions with state insurance regulators, Congress and the state legislatures.

The NCIGF is a nonprofit, member-funded association that provides national assistance and support to the property and casualty guaranty funds located in each of the 50 states and the District of Columbia.

Incorporated in December 1989, the NCIGF coordinates information for multi-state insolvencies and provides legal, data management, administrative, communications and public policy support to its members across the nation.

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