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CPCU SOCIETY ANNOUNCES ITS 2011-2012 OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

MALVERN, Pa., Nov. 3, 2011—The CPCU Society announced its new officers and directors during its 67th Annual Meeting and Seminars in Las Vegas Oct. 22–25. These new positions are effective immediately.

The following officers of the board have been officially elected:

CPCU Society President and Chairman: Steve McElhiney, CPCU, MBA, ARe, AIAF, is president of EWI Risk Services, Inc., a reinsurance intermediary based in Dallas and a subsidiary of NL Industries. He is also president of Tall Pines Insurance Company of Vermont. Over the last two decades his experience has included service with Fireman’s Fund, TIG Specialty, Overseas Partners US Reinsurance Group and Argonaut Group. He is the author of *Reinsurance Commutations*, a required reading for the Associate in Reinsurance (ARE) designation. McElhiney holds an MBA and Bachelor of Science degree, *cum laude*, from the University of Southern California. He is also chair of the Vermont Captive Insurance Association; a board member of North America’s SuperCorridor Coalition, Inc.; and a member of the Leadership Council of the Texas Health Research and Education Institute.

CPCU Society President-Elect: David Medvidofsky, CPCU, CIC, ARM, AIAF, AAI, is vice president and head of the audit unit of The Main Street America Group, a Jacksonville-based super regional insurer in Florida. He will serve as the Society’s 2012-2013 president and chairman. During his career he has worked on the agency and company sides, and has held staff and line positions in underwriting, marketing, product development, operations and finance. He was elected to a three-year term on the Society Board of Governors/Directors in 2008, and chaired its 2008 Annual Meeting Task Force. He was a CPCU course instructor for two years, and has written articles for a number of publications.

CPCU Society Vice President: Cynthia A. Baroway, CPCU, M.Ed., AIC, is a faculty member in the Risk Management and Insurance Program at the University of Colorado-Denver School of Business, currently developing RMI’s curriculum and marketing its classes. Previously she was a home office claims director for Safeco. Baroway is a City Council member in

Lakewood, Colorado where she is serving as Mayor Pro Tem throughout 2011. She served three years on the CPCU Society's Board of Directors. She also serves on the board of the Jeffco Action Center, a human services nonprofit organization for Jefferson County, Colorado residents and the homeless.

CPCU Society Secretary: Nancy D. Adams, CPCU, J.D., is a partner practicing in the litigation section of Mintz Levin, in its Boston office. She is the first incumbent of the newly separated secretary's office, which formerly was merged with the treasurer's position. Adams has extensive experience representing and advising primary and excess insurers on the business and legal implications of a variety of complex coverage issues involving personal and commercial lines of insurance. She has previously served as a Society chapter governor for its northeast region and president of its Boston Chapter. Additionally, she holds a number of volunteer board positions.

Continuing his service on the Board is **CPCU Society Treasurer Brian P. Savko, CPCU, CLU, ChFC,** a team manager in State Farm's Murfreesboro, Tenn. Office, who fills this newly independent position. He served as the Society's 2008-2009, 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 Secretary-Treasurer. He has been a member of the Society's Budget and Finance Committee since 1999, and has served as president, vice president and secretary of its Mid-Tennessee Chapter. He holds a master's degree in financial services from the American College in Bryn Mawr, Pa. Savko is a member of the Society of Financial Service Professionals and is a Knights of Columbus volunteer.

Also continuing his services on the board is **Warren L. Farrar, CPCU, CLU, ChFC,** the Society's immediate past president. Farrar, who served as the Society's 2010-2011 president and chairman, is assistant vice president—claims for State Farm. He has served on the Society's board as an interest group governor and on its Audit Committee, Executive Committee and Governance Overview Board Working Group. He joined the Society's Loss Control Interest Group Committee in 1992 and served as its chairman from 1996 to 1998. Farrar joined State Farm as a commercial underwriter in 1975 after earning a master's degree in science from the University of Nebraska, from which he also holds his undergraduate degree. In addition to his Society volunteer work, Farrar and his wife were co-chairs of the OSF St. Francis annual fundraiser in 2006.

The following were elected as directors and will serve three-year terms:

James L. Hanson, CPCU, is assistant vice president of member experience-Financial Foundations at USAA's Phoenix, Ariz. campus. Hanson leads both bank and insurance skilled teams, comprising a staff of more than 500. He has been with USAA since 1990. He is a past president of the Society's Pikes Peak Chapter. Hanson is also presently a director of the Center for Services Leadership, a research center within the W. P. Carey School of Business at Arizona State University.

Robert A. Mansfield, CPCU, is senior vice president of HUB International New England in Lexington, Mass. He has been in the insurance industry since 1977 and has been with HUB for more than 30 years. Mansfield's area of expertise is in the field of commercial property-casualty

insurance and employee benefits. He is a past president of the CPCU Society Boston Chapter and served on the Society board of governors from 2003 to 2006. Mansfield is a member of the Loman Club and the CPCU Society member opinion panel. He currently serves as director of the Cambridge Rotary Education Fund, among other volunteer roles.

Donna M. Wright, CPCU, MBA, AU, is assistant vice president of product management for Germania Insurance Group in Brenham, Texas. She has been with Germania since 2006. Previously, Wright worked for The Woodlands Financial Group, Auto Club of Southern California and USAA. A licensed Texas adjuster, she has an extensive background in areas such as insurance department creation and management, claim management, legal research, underwriting management, and contract creation and form filings. Wright is a past president of the CPCU Society Houston Chapter and a past member of the Society's Nominating Sub-Committee. She facilitates development of, and is a guest instructor for, the risk management and insurance program at the Jesse H. Jones School of Business, Texas Southern University.

Also, **Mary R. Hennessy, FCAS**, is serving a one year term from 2011 to 2012 as **Society At-Large Director** by appointment of Society President and Chairman McElhiney. Hennessy is an independent consultant in Haddonfield, NJ to the property and casualty insurance and reinsurance industry. She has served as CEO and president of Overseas Partners, Ltd.; as president and COO of TIG Holdings, Inc.; and in a number of capacities with American Re Corporation. Hennessy is also a board member of GeoVera Insurance Holdings, Ltd.

About the Society

The CPCU Society is a community of credentialed insurance professionals who promote excellence through ethical behavior and continuing education. The Society's more than 25,000 members hold the Chartered Property Casualty Underwriter (CPCU®) designation, which requires passing eight rigorous undergraduate- and graduate- level examinations, meeting experience requirements, and agreeing to be bound by a strict code of professional ethics. The CPCU designation is conferred by The Institutes. More information about the CPCU Society is available at www.cpcusociety.org.

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