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Officers, New Board Members, Committee Appointments announced by the Nebraska State Board of Public Accountancy for 2012/2013

The Nebraska State Board of Public Accountancy recently elected Member <u>Mr. Michael W. Wassinger</u>, <u>CPA, Hastings, Nebraska</u> as Chair for 2012/2013. Mr. Wassinger is currently a shareholder in the CPA firm McDermott & Miller, P.C. and located in the Hastings, NE office. He has practiced public accounting for over 28 years. He is a graduate of the University of Nebraska with a Bachelors Degree in Business Administration. Wassinger has been a member of the Board since 2006. He has served as the Board's Vice-Chair for the last three years.

<u>Mr. Bernie Gutschewski, Omaha, Nebraska</u> was elected Vice-Chair of the Board. Mr. Gutschewski is retired from the Union Pacific Corporation as Vice President of Taxes. He holds a business/ accounting and law degree from Creighton University. He also is a certificate holder and current inactive registrant with the Board. Mr. Gutschweski has been a member of the Board since 2010.

Ms. Lori J. Druse, CPA, Lincoln, Nebraska, was elected the Board Secretary. Ms. Druse is currently an Audit Director with Deloitte & Touche LLP and has 20 years of public accounting experience. She is a graduate with honors from the University of Nebraska at Kearney with a degree in Business Administration with an emphasis in Accounting. Ms. Druse has been a member of the Board since 2011.

Ms. Jan Glenn, LaVista, Nebraska has been appointed by Governor Dave Heineman to serve a four-year term as a public member on the State Board. Ms. Glenn is currently the Director, Business Services at Educational Service Unit #3 since 2002. She has served in accounting and managerial roles over the past 27 years and has worked in the education sector since 1999. She is a graduate of the University of Nebraska with a degree in Business Administration with an emphasis in Accounting and is a certificate holder and current inactive registrant with the Board.

Ms. Michele M. Stromp, CPA, Elkhorn, Nebraska has been recently appointed by Governor Dave Heineman. to serve a four-year term as an active permit holder (CPA) on the State Board. Ms. Stromp is currently an audit partner with KPMG LLP located in Omaha and has over 23 years of experience providing financial statement audit services. She is a graduate from the University of Nebraska at Omaha with a degree in Business Administration with an emphasis in Accounting.

Mr. Michael S. McClure, CPA, Lincoln, Nebraska has been recently appointed by Governor Dave Heineman to serve a four-year term as an active permit holder (CPA) on the State Board. Mr. McClure is currently a partner with BMG Certified Public Accountants, LLP in Lincoln and has over 34 years of public accounting experience. Along with other accounting services, he provides peer reviews for various accounting firms in Nebraska and surrounding states. In 2011 Mr. McClure received the Nebraska Society of CPAs Distinguished Service to the Profession Award. He is a graduate of the University of Nebraska.

Ms. Stromp replaces <u>Ms. Kate King Wu, CPA, Omaha, Nebraska</u> who served two four-year terms on the State Board. Mr. McClure replaces <u>Mr. Thomas M. Obrist, CPA, Lincoln, Nebraska</u> who also served two four-year terms on the State Board. Ms. King Wu and Mr. Obrist were recognized for their service to the citizens of Nebraska and to their profession at the Board's September 21, 2012 meeting.

Mr. Wassinger assumed the Chair from <u>Mr. Douglas W. Skiles, CPA, McCook, Nebraska</u> who served three years as Chair of the State Board. Mr. Skiles was recognized for his service as Chair at the Board's September 21, 2012 meeting.

At the September 21, 2012 meeting, Chair Wassinger made the following Board Committee appointments for the 2012/2013 Board term:

Executive: Michael Wassinger, Chair, Bernie Gutschewski, V. Chair, Lori Druse, Secretary

Legislative: Doug Skiles, Chair, Michael Wassinger Enforcement: Dick Zacharia, Chair, Bernie Gutschewski

Licensing: Lori Druse, Chair, Jan Glenn, Michele Stromp, Michael Wassinger

CPE: Dick Zacharia, Chair, Bernie Gutschewski, Michael McClure Exam & Education: Doug Skiles, Chair, Jan Glenn, Michael Stromp QEP: Michael Wassinger, Chair, Lori Druse, Michael McClure

The Nebraska State Board of Public Accountancy administers public accountancy law in Nebraska. Six of the eight Board Members are certified public accountants with active permits to practice and two are members of the public. Information about licensed CPA's can be obtained by calling the Board office at (402) 471-3595.





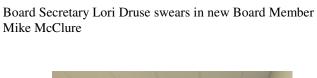
Board Secretary Lori Druse swears in new Board member Shelly Stromp.



in new Board member Jan Glenn



Kate King Wu receives a plaque from Chair Skiles in honor of her service to the Board and the citizens of Nebraska





Chair Wassinger presents Doug Skiles an award for his service to the Board as Chair for the last three years.