# **STATE OF NEBRASKA**

#### **BOARD OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY**

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## Officers and Committee Appointments announced by the Nebraska State Board of <u>Public Accountancy</u>

The Nebraska Board of Public Accountancy recently elected <u>*Mr. Jim R. Titus, Esq., Lincoln, Nebraska*</u> as Chair for 2007/2008 for the second year in a row. Mr. Titus is a shareholder within the law firm Morris & Titus Law Firm, PC, LLO in Lincoln. Mr. Titus received his Bachelors Degree in Business Administration from the University of Nebraska, with an emphasis in accounting and passed the CPA examination in 1976. He entered the University of Nebraska Law College and graduated with distinction in 1979. Mr. Titus has been a public member of the Board since 2003.

<u>*Mr. Douglas W. Skiles, CPA, McCook, Nebraska*</u> was elected the Board's Vice-Chair for 2007/2008 for the second year in row. Mr. Skiles is a corporate shareholder within the CPA firm McPherron, Skiles & Loop, P.C. Mr. Skiles graduated in 1977 with honors from the University of Nebraska at Kearney with a degree in Business. Mr. Skiles is currently a member of the National Association of State Board's of Public Accountancy (NASBA) Education Committee. Mr. Skiles has been a CPA member of the Board since 2004.

<u>Ms. Anne K. Fuhrman, CPA, Gretna, Nebraska</u> has been elected Secretary of the Board for 2007/2008. Ms. Fuhrman is a principal in the firm Fuhrman, Smolsky & Furey, P.C. located in Omaha, NE. She attended Kansas State University and is a graduate of Buena Vista University with a Bachelor of Arts Degree/ emphasis in accounting. She has been a member of the Board since 2003.

## At the September 21, 2007 meeting, Chair Jim Titus made the following Board Committee appointments for the 2007/2008 Board term:

Executive: Jim Titus, Chair, Doug Skiles, V. Chair, Anne Fuhrman, Secretary
Enforcement: Dick Zacharia, Chair
Legislative: Jim Titus, Chair, Doug Skiles
Licensing: Tom Obrist, Chair, Anne Fuhrman, Kate King-Wu, Jim Titus
CPE: Dick Zacharia, Chair, Tom Obrist, James Rieker
Exam & Education: Doug Skiles, Chair, Kate King-Wu, Michael Wassinger, James Rieker
QEP: Anne Fuhrman, Chair, Michael Wassinger

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### New Public Member appointed to the Board

<u>*Mr. James K. Rieker, Omaha, Nebraska*</u> has been appointed by Governor Dave Heineman to serve a four-year term on the Board as a public member.

Mr. Rieker currently is the President/CEO of Midwest Housing Equity Group, Inc. located in Omaha, NE. He is a graduate of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business/Finance.

Mr. Rieker succeeds Mr. William Nuckolls, Lincoln, NE, as a public member on the Board. Mr. Nuckolls completed two four-year terms of service to the Board.

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.