Texas Department of Banking Press Release

Announcing the Addition of Don E. Wood to the Commissioner's Council

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Texas Banking Commissioner, Catherine A. Ghiglieri, announces the addition of Don E. Wood, a partner in the law firm of Liddell, Sapp, Zivley, Hill & LaBoon, L.L.P., to the Commissioner's Council.

Mr. Wood heads Liddell, Sapp's bank regulatory practice group. He has been practicing bank corporate and regulatory law since his graduation, cum laude, from the University of Houston Law Center in 1982. In 1994 and 1995, he was a member of the Commissioner's ad hoc committee that worked extensively in developing the Texas Banking Act of 1995, and has been a resource to the Department on the promulgation of numerous rules for the last two years. His firm's financial services clients include a wide array of large and small financial service providers. He has written articles for various legal publications, and is a speaker on issues of importance to the banking community.

The Commissioner's Council consists of 10 state-chartered bankers from throughout Texas. The members voluntarily serve to provide input to the Commissioner on policy matters and act as a sounding board on proposed federal and state legislation. Members also support membership in the Conference of State Bank Supervisors. By his addition to the Council, Mr. Wood will represent non-bank, associate members of CSBS.

Commissioner Ghiglieri stated, "Don's work with the Department on various issues has enhanced our relationship with Texas bankers. Don will facilitate improved communication on state and federal banking matters between the Department, our bankers, the legal profession, CPAs and consultants, and the Conference of State Bank Supervisors."