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Texas Department of Banking Receives Re-Accreditation

Washington, D.C.—The Conference of State Bank Supervisors (CSBS) announced that the Texas Department of Banking (the Department) has received a certificate of accreditation, verifying that the Department maintains the highest standards and practices in state banking supervision set by the CSBS Accreditation Program. This is the Department’s fifth consecutive accreditation.

“I’m happy to congratulate Commissioner Charles Cooper and his staff on receiving re-accreditation,” said John W. Ryan, President and CEO of CSBS. “For the last 20 years the Texas Department of Banking has maintained the highest standards of bank supervision in the country and the Department has set an example for others to follow.”

Charles G. Cooper was appointed commissioner of the Texas Department of Banking in 2008. As head of the Department his responsibilities include the chartering, regulation, supervision and examination of Texas state-chartered banks. In addition, the Department supervises trust companies, foreign bank agencies and branches, prepaid funeral contract sellers, money service businesses, and perpetual care cemeteries. The Department also registers private child support enforcement agencies and check verification companies.

The CSBS Accreditation Program involves a comprehensive review of the critical elements that assure a banking department's ability to discharge its responsibilities. This is done through an investigation of all department operations including, administration and finance, personnel, training, examination, supervision, and legislative powers. The high standards set by the Accreditation Program supports CSBS public interest goals by encouraging state banking departments to enhance their capability to promote safe and sound banking with a minimum of regulatory burden and cost, and by identifying highly competent state banking departments. The CSBS accreditation seeks to strengthen state banking departments and to demonstrate the high quality of state banking departments to the general public, the federal banking agencies, Congress, and other state banking departments.

More information on the CSBS Accreditation Program is available [here](#).

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The Conference of State Bank Supervisors (CSBS) is the nationwide organization of banking regulators from all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Guam, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands. State banking regulators supervise approximately 5,230 state-chartered financial institutions. Further, the majority of state banking departments also regulates a variety of non-bank financial services providers, including mortgage lenders. For more than a century, CSBS has given state supervisors a national forum to coordinate supervision of their regulated entities and to develop regulatory policy. CSBS also provides training to state banking and financial regulators and represents its members before Congress and the federal financial regulatory agencies.

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