

# **Texas Department of Banking**

## **Press Release**

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### **CSBS Celebrates 100 Years**

Date: May 21, 2001

The Conference of State Bank Supervisors (CSBS) 2001 Annual Meeting and Conference was held May 16 -19, 2001, in Michigan - the place of their founding - to celebrate their 100th Anniversary. CSBS was formed in 1902 as the National Association of Supervisors of State Banks, an organization intended "to increase the usefulness and efficiency of the state banking departments, and to promote the general welfare of the institutions under their supervision ...and for the mutual assistance and benefit to each other."

The 2001 Annual Meeting and Conference brought state and federal regulators, and bank executives from across the United States to interact and discuss issues of common interest. This year's program included topics such as: Implementation of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act, and International Banking and Regulatory Update on current issues. Speakers included Donna Tanoue, Chairman of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and Alan Greenspan, Chairman of the Federal Reserve Board of Governors.

CSBS is the only national organization dedicated to enhancing the value of state chartered banks and strengthening the dual banking system. Founded in 1902, CSBS is the premier resource for state banking and the major champion of the American dual banking system. A fundamental goal of CSBS is enhancing the professionalism of state banking departments and their personnel. Well-educated examiners bring more efficiency, experience, and accuracy to the examination process. CSBS leads the way by accrediting departments and by training supervisory personnel. Texas Banking Commissioner Randall S. James stated that "examiner training and other support services provided by CSBS make it an invaluable resource for state banking departments".

Texas Banking Commissioner Randall S. James has been active on the CSBS Board of Directors as Chairman of Region IV, and was recently elected to the position of Secretary at the 2001 Annual Meeting and Conference. Mr. James has served as Texas Banking Commissioner since November, 1999, and served as Deputy Commissioner for eight years prior to his appointment. Mr. James has been active in CSBS since he began working for the Texas Department of Banking in 1990.