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National Association of Enrolled Agents Installs New Members to its Board

WASHINGTON, D.C., May 10, 2010—The National Association of Enrolled Agents (NAEA), the organization that represents over 46,000 federally-licensed tax practitioners, has announced the installation of 14 members to its board of directors. The new members are: President Gina Jones, EA of Delhi, LA; President-Elect Sherrill Trovato, EA of Yorba Linda, CA; Secretary/Treasurer Alexander B. Thomson, EA of Arlington, VA; Director Kathleen Collins, EA of Garden City, GA; Director Debbie Cope, EA of San Antonio, TX; Director Lonnie Gary, EA of Mountain View, CA; Director Audrey Griffin, EA of Centerville, GA; Director Winston Macon, EA of Richmond, VA; Director Lisa Miller, EA of Summerfield, NC; Director Diana Molina, EA of Plantation, FL; Director William D. (Bill) Payne, EA of Boca Raton, FL; Director Robert M. (Mickey) Reedy, EA of Los Alamitos, CA; Director Rich Rhodes, EA of Hinckley, OH; and Director John (Jack) Wood, EA of Prescott, AZ. Sandra M. Martin, EA of Pittsford, NY moved from the presidency into the immediate past president position.

“I am fortunate to welcome such an outstanding group of strategic thinkers to NAEA’s board of directors and look forward to their insights and perspectives,” NAEA Executive Vice President and CEO Michael Nelson, CAE said. “Last December’s announcement by IRS that all paid preparers will be regulated by IRS was a great ‘win’ for NAEA, which has long advocated for regulation that would ensure competent and ethical tax preparation for all Americans. The new board has stepped in at an exciting time in the history of the profession.”

The NAEA Board of Directors and state affiliate leadership held meetings in Washington, DC April 29 – May 1, the highlight of which was the board’s swearing in by past president Faye Touchet, EA, of Lafayette, LA. Representatives of the state societies held their meetings on the same day, enjoying interactive dialogue and informative sessions.

“I am truly looking forward to working with this talented board as NAEA continues to build on its successes in representing enrolled agents and protecting the American taxpayer,” said NAEA President Gina Jones, EA. “I am extremely proud to be an EA and look forward to the opportunity to give back to this great profession.”

NAEA is the membership society of tax professionals who provide tax preparation, representation, tax planning and other financial services to millions of individual and business taxpayers. Enrolled agents (EAs) are licensed by the IRS and required to pass a stringent exam. Members of NAEA must fulfill continuing professional education requirements that exceed the IRS’ requirements. NAEA members must also adhere to a code of ethics and professional conduct. For more information on enrolled agents, or to find one in your community, go to www.naea.org.