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### OCTOBER "MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD"

As Fall approaches and the leaves start to turn I marvel at the colors of trees, watch as the last rose of summer fades and then realize that my drive to work is only 17 minutes; and then my day at the computer begins, working worksheets, putting abstracts together, fighting fires and then realized that I've sit in this same office for 23 years come November 1. I'd like to introduce myself to you: my name is Glenda M. Mittasch, from Powers Abstract Company, in Perry, Oklahoma. I reside in Morrison, Oklahoma with my husband of 33 years. My husband and I are also cattle ranchers in Noble County and we have two children, Stacy McKay and husband, Bryan and Clay Mittasch, and wife, Nichole, and one grandchild, Denver McKay and another little McKay to be here in March 2010.

My husband and I purchased Powers Abstract Company on October 30<sup>th</sup>, 1986 and started to work November 1, 1986. Having started in the abstracting business in 1975 at Southern Abstract in Bartlesville, probably much like everyone in the industry, delivering abstracts, filing documents and filing those stacks of worksheets away after my Uncle Earl Harper had put the final touches on the abstracts, I guess I grew to love the history of the land and, after getting married, I began working for the Noble County Clerk in 1977 and, in the fall of 1979, went to work for Powers Abstract Company as a typist in the courthouse. I guess you'd have to say Earl Harper and Jack Dolezal were and are my mentors in the title business.

It was an honor to be selected in June by Governor Henry to fill the vacancy in District 4 left by Steven Boone of Kay County. He left some pretty big shoes to fill and I hope that I can serve the board as diligently as he did.

It has been an interesting 4 months, being appointed to the Rules and Regulation committee and the Licensing and Testing committee. As the OAB works to regulate the abstract industry, I have been extremely pleased at the cooperation of those of you whom have been visited by Terri Parrish, the OAB Inspector. We thank those of you that have helped the OAB resolve complaints in your area and have accepted our recommendations for better customer service.

The Rules and Regulations Committee has been working on some forms to be presented, including a standardized certificate, with language that can reflect the standards of our industry, forms for filing of Time Based Rates and Page Based Rates, so that when the OAB staff receives your fee requests that everyone is reflecting the same type of disclosure on their rate sheets. Many of you have included more items than the OAB can regulate, such as storage fees, closing costs, and title opinion charges to name a few. These items are not regulated by OAB and do not need to be reflected on your fee sheets. These forms will be presented to the OAB Board within the next few months, and will be distributed to everyone upon approval by the board.

I would like to again remind you that the OAB is your board and that you are welcomed to attend any meeting and your comments are greatly appreciated as we progress with our permanent rules and regulations for the industry.

Again I appreciate the opportunity to serve as your District 4 board member and please feel free to contact me with any questions or complaints.

Respectfully,

Glenda M. Mittasch