



**OKLAHOMA INSURANCE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA**

We are continually striving to provide the very best service and expertise in response to an ever-changing and increasingly complex insurance environment. To facilitate our efforts, I'm pleased to announce the following transitions and advancements:

After 25 years with the Department, Assistant Commissioner of Life and Health Dalora Schafer is retiring as of June 30, 2008. Please join me in wishing her well in her future endeavors.

The Life and Health Division and the Property and Casualty Division have been combined into one group, the Rate and Form Filing Division, under the leadership of Assistant Commissioner Kathie Stepp.

Frank Stone will assume the position of Chief Actuary. In this capacity, Frank will oversee rate review and be responsible for meeting our obligations to the many important boards and commissions on which we serve.

Karl Kramer has been promoted to Deputy Insurance Commissioner. Karl adds extensive legal and regulatory experience and expertise to our leadership team. He has proven himself to be highly trustworthy and competent. I am confident he will represent the Department well in this position.

Chris Van Ess has been named Assistant Commissioner and Chief Financial Examiner.

Darren Ellingson has been named Assistant Commissioner and Chief Financial Officer.

Jennifer Burchett has been named Assistant Commissioner, Government Relations & Public Policy.

Russell Valleroy has been named Assistant Commissioner, Consumer & Producer Services.

Following is contact information for all leadership team members. Please don't hesitate to let us know how we may be of assistance to you.

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