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American Land Title Association Names Legislative and Regulatory Counsel

Washington, D.C., November 9, 2010 — [The American Land Title Association](#) (ALTA), the national trade association of the land title insurance industry, today announced the appointment of Steve Gottheim as legislative and regulatory counsel. He will focus on policy research and development, and serve as a resource for members regarding legislative and regulatory issues.

“Steve has a terrific understanding of the key issues and concerns facing professionals in the land title industry” said Kurt Pfothauer, chief executive officer of ALTA. “At a time when the market remains volatile and the regulatory and legislative landscape continues to change, I am certain Steve’s contributions will enable us to increase our responsiveness to the industry in a manner that brings value to the work our members do each day to provide safe and secure real estate transactions.”

Gottheim will serve as a liaison with legal trade organizations including the American Bar Association, National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws and the American College of Real Estate Lawyers.

“I expect to further enhance ALTA’s voice for the land title industry,” Gottheim said. “Not only do I plan to help educate regulators, legislators and other interested stakeholders on the industry’s value, but I will strive to keep the industry informed of legislative and regulatory issues.”

A graduate of the University of Maryland College Park in 2006, Gottheim earned his Juris Doctorate in 2009 from the University of Maryland School of Law. Previously, he worked for the Senate Banking Committee, and a small community-based lender.

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About ALTA

The American Land Title Association, founded in 1907, is a national trade association representing more than 3,800 title insurance companies, title agents, independent abstracters, title searchers, and attorneys. ALTA members conduct title searches, examinations, closings, and issue title insurance that protects real property owners and mortgage lenders against losses from defects in titles.