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American Land Title Association Partners with Industry Veteran to Continue Publishing Legal Sources for Land Title Industry

Washington, D.C., December 17, 2013 — The [American Land Title Association](#) (ALTA), the national trade association of the land title insurance industry, is proud to announce it has partnered with title industry veteran and attorney Bush Nielsen to continue publication of several valued legal resources for the land title industry.

ALTA will take over publication of the Title and Escrow Claims Guide (Second Edition), which is updated each year, and the monthly The Title Insurance Law Newsletter.

“First published in 1996, Title and Escrow Claims Guide is the preferred research tool for land title claim administrators and retained counsel,” said Michelle Korsmo, ALTA’s chief executive officer. “The guide’s 1,400 pages are packed full of practical analysis that is valuable for underwriters, agents, examiners, managers and training supervisors. We are delighted to partner with Mr. Nielsen and continue offering these resources to title professionals across the country.”

The book is updated each year with new topics and a discussion of the cases decided in the preceding year. It covers the entire range of topics related to title insurance claims, including a detailed analysis of the policies' terms, as well as issues concerning escrows and closings, title agent disputes and abstractor liability.

The Title Insurance Law Newsletter has served as the authoritative monthly source for legal developments affecting the land title industry since 1992. The newsletter reports on cases addressing title insurance coverage, class actions and regulatory enforcement, escrow and closing duties, agent/underwriter disputes, conveyancing law, and compliance and violations of the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act and the Truth-in-Lending Act. Nielsen became the editor of the newsletter in 1998.

Nielsen is a shareholder with the Wisconsin-based law firm of Reinhart Boerner Van Deuren. He has more than 30 years of experience in the land title industry, including 16 years working for two national title insurers. He has served as president of both the Michigan and Wisconsin state land title associations. Nielsen explained that he is happy to partner with ALTA and will continue to author the book and serve as editor of the newsletter.

"I am very pleased that ALTA has agreed to publish these works, and am excited about its plans to find ways to expand readership. It seems very fitting that the book and newsletter, which are written to be resources to the land title industry, should be published by the industry's national association. I believe that Bob Ellis, who conceived the newsletter and was its first editor, would be equally pleased."

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About ALTA

The [American Land Title Association](#), founded in 1907, is the national trade association representing nearly 4,800 title insurance companies, title agents, independent abstracters, title searchers, and attorneys. With offices throughout the United States, 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.