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### **Insurance Department Welcomes John Morris**

LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS (April 23, 2010) —State Insurance Commissioner Jay Bradford today announced John F. Morris's recent selection as Deputy Commissioner/General Counsel for the Arkansas Insurance Department. Morris will oversee the Department's Legal Division. He comes to Arkansas from the Tennessee Department of Commerce and Insurance where he was responsible for implementing policy decisions made by the Commissioner on all issues relating to insurance and securities. He also served as a liaison between the Department and the legislature. "I welcome John's expertise in the field of insurance regulation, said Bradford"

Morris received his B.A. from Lipscomb University in Nashville and his Juris Doctorate from Pepperdine Law School. At Pepperdine he participated in the Entertainment Law Society, the Asian Pacific-American Legal Society, the Criminal Law Society, and the Environmental Law Society. Prior to assuming the position of Deputy Commissioner in Tennessee, Morris served as Chief Counsel for the Department, providing primary legal representation and advice. As Chief Counsel he supervised other attorneys and dealt with a wide array of insurance regulatory issues.

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