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## **CHAIRMAN TIGERT ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENTS OF HOYLE L. ROBINSON, LESLIE A. WOOLLEY AND JAMES PHILLIP BATTEY**

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

FDIC Chairman Ricki R. Tigert announced today the appointments of Hoyle L. Robinson, Leslie A. Woolley and James Phillip Battey to newly created positions in the Office of the Chairman.

Mr. Robinson, who retired last January as the FDIC's Executive Secretary after 29 years at the agency, has agreed to return for a limited period as Special Counsel to the Chairman. His responsibilities will include advising the Chairman on a broad range of issues related to the organization and operations of the decision-making process at the FDIC. Ms. Woolley, currently Legislative Director for U.S. Senator Bob Graham (D-Fla.), will become Deputy to the Chairman for Policy. She will focus on external policy matters relating to the Congress, the banking community and the general public.

Mr. Battey, who is Director of Public Affairs for the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, has been appointed Assistant to the Chairman for Public Affairs. He will advise the Chairman on public affairs matters and will serve as the chief speechwriter. Chairman Tigert said: "I am very pleased that Hoyle Robinson, Leslie Woolley and Phil Battey will be joining the FDIC's management team. Each will bring special talents and expertise, including Hoyle's vast knowledge of the FDIC's operations, Leslie's breadth of experience as an adviser and strategist on bank regulatory policies, and Phil's abilities in public affairs planning. I know they will make significant contributions to the FDIC."

Hoyle Robinson, who began his FDIC career in December 1964, held several positions in the Legal Division before being named Counsel in the Office of the Executive Secretary in July 1973. He was promoted to Executive Secretary in May 1979 and held that key position for the next 14 years. The Office of the Executive Secretary is the



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Congress created the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation in 1933 to restore public confidence in the nation's banking system. It promotes the safety and soundness of these institutions by identifying, monitoring and addressing risks to which they are exposed. The FDIC receives no federal tax dollars — insured financial institutions fund its operations.

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official historical and recordkeeping unit of the FDIC. It organizes and manages meetings of the Board of Directors and standing committees, and oversees the FDIC's compliance with public disclosure laws and federal employee ethics regulations. Mr. Robinson graduated from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill with undergraduate and law degrees. As Legislative Director to Senator Graham since 1987, Leslie Woolley has been responsible for policy development and strategic planning for overall legislative activities, including those involving the Senate Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs Committee. Between 1984 and 1986, she served in Washington as Assistant Vice President of Chemical New York, Inc., an affiliate of Chemical Bank. Prior to joining Chemical New York, Inc., she held various positions associated with the House Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs Committee, starting in 1977. Ms. Woolley holds BA and MBA degrees from Oklahoma State University. Phil Battey has been chief speechwriter and adviser to Comptroller of the Currency Eugene A. Ludwig on long-range communications and public affairs strategies since May 1993. Prior to that, he was Executive Speechwriter in the Office of the Chairman at the FDIC from January 1992 to May 1993. Mr. Battey also has held various writing positions with the American Bankers Association and American Banker newspaper. He has a BS degree from Georgetown University and an MA degree from the University of Missouri.

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