

To: All Indiana Policy Issuing Agents of WFG National Title Insurance Company

From: WFG Underwriting Department

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Subject: Easements Depicted on Survey

STANDARD

To All Indiana Policy Issuing Agents,

Purpose: To advise our Agents of the need to state in a particular manner in Schedule B of a policy, recorded easements depicted on a survey.

Background: In Lawyers Title Insurance Corporation v. Doubletree Partners, L.P., 739 F.3d 848 (2014), the U.S. Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals held a title insurer liable for the inaccurate depiction of recorded easements on a survey. To the exceptions in Schedule B of its policy were added the fairly customary clause stating "... and <u>as shown</u> on survey by ...".

Standard: In a case where you may be requested to add such a clause to exceptions to recorded easements, state it only as "... <u>and referenced</u> on survey by ...", <u>and not</u> "... <u>as shown</u> on survey by..." or any other variant of it.

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please contact WFG Indiana Underwriting Counsel, Stanley J. Czaja, at (773) 706-3779 or via email at SCzaja@wfgnationaltitle.com.

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The Agent may be held responsible for any loss sustained as a result of the failure to follow the standards set forth above.