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**WFG National Title Grows Agency Resources in Midwest**  
***Samuel and Kelley Shellhaas will provide underwriting counsel and support***

**Santa Barbara, CA June 21, 2013** WFG National Title Insurance Company (“WFG National Title”) has named Samuel Shellhaas, Esq. as Vice President/Midwest Underwriting Counsel and Kelley Shellhaas, Esq. as Assistant Midwest Underwriting Counsel for its Midwest Agency group. WFG National Title is a full service provider of title insurance and real estate settlement services for commercial and residential transactions nationwide.

In their roles with WFG National Title, Samuel and Kelley Shellhaas will provide underwriting support, guidance, and education for the underwriter’s Midwest region title agencies. Samuel Shellhaas comes to WFG National Title with twenty years of experience, and served most recently with one of the industry’s largest national underwriters as Senior Underwriting Counsel for Ohio. He was also Underwriting Counsel in Kentucky. From 2008 to 2011, Shellhaas held various positions with another of the nation’s largest underwriters, including Associate State Underwriting Counsel in Ohio and back-up regional Underwriting Counsel for Indiana, Missouri, Nebraska and Kansas. Prior to entering the title industry, he was employed in the Home Office Claims Department of a top 40 property and casualty insurance company. Previously, he was in private law practice for six years. He received his Juris Doctor from the University of Dayton School of Law, and his B.A. from the University of Toledo. He is currently the President of the Ohio Land Title Association (“OLTA”), and has also served on OLTA’s Board of Directors as Secretary/Treasurer and President-Elect. Shellhaas also has specialized expertise in oil, gas and mineral rights, having delivered nearly 30 Continuing Legal and Insurance Education presentations in the field.

Kelley Shellhaas comes to WFG National Title with 11 years of industry experience. She served most recently as Associate Underwriting Counsel in Ohio for one of the nation's largest title underwriters, with which she had been for ten years. She also has 14 years experience in corporate communications, including government relations, with Columbus-based lobbying firms, the Greater Columbus Chamber of Commerce and a state regulatory board. Shellhaas received her Juris Doctor from Capital University Law School, and graduated with honors from Ohio University's E.W. Scripps School of Journalism.

"Samuel and Kelley have long been well regarded by agents throughout the Midwest for their knowledge, accessibility and "client-first" mindset," said Charles Cain, Senior Vice President, Agency, Midwest Region for WFG National Title. "Their addition to the company reinforces our commitment to providing the very best resources for the support and growth of our agents."

Both Samuel and Kelley Shellhaas will be based in Columbus, Ohio. Samuel may be reached at [sshellhaas@wfgnationaltitle.com](mailto:sshellhaas@wfgnationaltitle.com). Kelley may be reached at [kshellhaas@wfgnationaltitle.com](mailto:kshellhaas@wfgnationaltitle.com).

### **About WFG National Title Insurance Company**

WFG National Title Insurance Company, a Williston Financial Group Company, is a national provider of premium title insurance and settlement services to the real estate and mortgage industry. The fastest growing national title underwriter, the WFG family was the nation's eighth largest provider of title insurance at the end of the third quarter in 2012, less than three years after its entry to the market.

(Based upon market share. Source: American Land Title Association

<http://www.alta.org/industry/financial.cfm>). WFG National Title also delivers a wide variety of residential and commercial mortgage lender services, including default and real estate owned transactions. The company enjoys a Financial Stability Rating of A' (A prime) as assigned by Demotech, Inc. Built around the directive to "communicate, collaborate, coexist," WFG National Title Insurance Company is committed to applying a new philosophy to the traditional mortgage and real estate industry, working to meet the changing needs of its clients, agents and associates. For more information, please go to [www.WFGNationalTitle.com](http://www.WFGNationalTitle.com).