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Association of Fire and Casualty Companies in Texas

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Gerik to Lead AFACT



Mike Gerik, Executive Vice President of the Texas Farm Bureau Insurance Companies, has been elected president of the Association of Fire and Casualty Companies in Texas (AFACT). Gerik was elected during AFACT's annual meeting in Dallas Nov. 1.

Gerik, whose term as AFACT president runs for two years, also chairs the board of directors at the Texas Windstorm Insurance Association. Gerik said with the threat of hurricanes and catastrophic windstorms in the state, the Texas insurance industry is always challenged. "One never knows where the next weather catastrophe will strike and insurance companies must be prepared for the worst every day of the year," Gerik said. "Our job is and always has been to provide immediate assistance and help put people's lives back in order."

AFACT board members elected Paul Ehlert, President of Germania Insurance, as vice president. Ron Lawson, Vice President of Marketing for the Republic Group, was elected secretary/treasurer.

Ty Simmons, Vice President, Corporate Counsel and Secretary at Union Standard Insurance Company, will serve as director at large. Lyndell Haigood, Regional Vice President of State Auto Insurance Company, is the immediate past president.

AFACT is a trade organization representing Texas-based property and casualty insurance companies. It was founded in 1941 to broaden consumer knowledge of insurance and support legislation to improve the insurance business.

For more information about AFACT, turn to its Web site at www.AFACT.net.

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