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### **NASBA CEO ANNOUNCES PLANS TO RETIRE**

#### **Selection Process and Advisory Committee Established to Identify Successor for Ken L. Bishop**

**NASHVILLE, Tenn. (November 2, 2023)** – Ken L. Bishop, President and CEO of the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA), announced his plans to retire from his executive role with NASBA, effective July 31, 2024. Mr. Bishop made the formal announcement before the members of the U.S. Boards of Accountancy at its 116<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, held October 29-November 1, 2023.

As president and CEO of NASBA since 2012, Mr. Bishop has worked to strengthen relations with State Boards of Accountancy, State CPA Societies and regulatory bodies worldwide. He has also spearheaded initiatives to address the growing need for greater diversity within NASBA, Boards of Accountancy and the accounting profession. His commitment to public protection is further evidenced through significant investments made to enhance NASBA's technologies, resources and infrastructure, which have positioned NASBA as a more relevant, financially strong and globally recognized organization.

Prior to being selected for the president and CEO role in January 2012, Mr. Bishop served as executive vice president and chief operating officer of NASBA, where he was responsible for leading NASBA's business and testing operations and was instrumental in the adoption of legislation for CPA Mobility. Additionally, he played a key role in the international administration of the U.S. CPA Examination, which is now offered in Japan, South Korea, Bahrain, Egypt, Kuwait, Lebanon, Jordan, the United Arab Emirates, Brazil, India, Nepal, Israel and Europe.

To effectively prepare for Mr. Bishop's transition of leadership, the NASBA Board of Directors, at its October 31 meeting, approved a formal process and Selection Advisory Committee (SAC) to determine his successor. The slate of members serving on the SAC are representative of NASBA's eight regions.

"The SAC is looking for NASBA's next president and CEO to be a visionary, one who possesses strong financial and business acumen, executive decision-making abilities, dynamic public speaking skills, and has knowledge of the profession and the importance of accounting regulation. The person selected must also continue to foster NASBA's corporate culture, which is a vital component of the Association's relevancy, on national and international fronts," shared 2023-24 NASBA Chair Stephanie M. Saunders, CPA.

Following the vetting process, a formal candidate search will be launched with consideration being given to current NASBA staff as well as other qualified candidates. Upon receiving finalist recommendations from the SAC and Executive Committee, an announcement of Mr. Bishop's successor will be named after approval by the NASBA Board of Directors. All correspondence, interest, and questions can be directed to [CEOApplications@NASBA.org](mailto:CEOApplications@NASBA.org).

### **About NASBA**

Since 1908, the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA) has served as a forum for the nation's Boards of Accountancy, which administer the Uniform CPA Examination, license more than 672,000 certified public accountants and regulate the practice of public accountancy in the United States.

NASBA's mission is to enhance the effectiveness and advance the common interests of the Boards of Accountancy in meeting their regulatory responsibilities. The Association promotes the exchange of information among accountancy boards, serving the needs of the 55 U.S. jurisdictions.

NASBA is headquartered in Nashville, TN, with an International Computer Testing and Call Center in Guam and operations in San Juan, PR. To learn more about NASBA, visit [www.nasba.org](http://www.nasba.org).

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