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Liability Claims Expert Joins Staff

Sacramento, CA- Schools Excess Liability Fund is pleased to announce the addition of Eric J. Lucas, Esq. to the staff February 22 as Senior Claims Officer. He will be responsible for providing leadership to SELF's liability claims operations, which will include working with members' third party administrators and defense counsel on claims presenting potential exposure to SELF.

“We are delighted to have someone with Eric's talent and experience join SELF to lead our liability claims operations,” said SELF Chief Executive Officer Fritz Heirich. “The SELF Board of Directors is committed to adding the resources needed to strengthen and broaden our ability to bring the highest quality of service and expertise to assist with defending our members from potentially catastrophic claims and lawsuits.”

Eric comes to SELF with 27 years of experience in the property and casualty insurance business. His most recent position was in-house counsel with Apartment Investment Management Company (AIMCO) handling its insured general liability litigation nationwide. Eric was with AIMCO for 7 years.

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Prior to AIMCO, Eric was with the Colorado Intergovernmental Risk Sharing Agency (CIRSA), Colorado's municipal risk pool, for 11 years, holding the position of PC and WC Claims Manager when he departed.

Before joining CIRSA, Eric worked for Allied Group, part of Nationwide and SAFECO, which is now a part of Liberty Mutual, in the Denver metro area.

Eric received his undergraduate degree from Bowling Green State University (Ohio) where he majored in finance and received his law degree from the University of Denver College of Law.

He is a licensed attorney in the State of Colorado and also holds the CPCU and ARM designations.

Eric is married with three children, one of whom is currently a freshman at the University of San Diego.

Eric said he is excited to be a part of SELF's future and is looking forward to assisting its members in the resolution of catastrophic losses.

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