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The Loss Prevention Foundation Announces New Board Members

Mathews, NC, November 5, 2012 – The Loss Prevention Foundation announces the selection of its newest board members to assist in governing and providing strategic direction for the Foundation.

The following individuals have accepted the nomination and have been approved by the board to serve on the Foundation's Board of Directors:

- **Charles Delgado, Vice President of Asset Protection, BJ's Wholesale Club**
- **Sonya Hostetler, Vice President Asset Protection & Safety, Wal-Mart**

Also, reconfirmed for another three year term serving as board members were:

- **Kevin Valentine, LPC, Vice President Signet Internal Audit & Risk Management, Signet Group Services (Sterling Jewelers)**
- **Stan Welch, LPC, Vice President Loss Prevention, JC Penney**

"The Foundation continues to strive for a broad range of industry perspectives so we can serve the loss prevention industry in an informed and comprehensive manner," said Gene Smith, LPC, president of The Loss Prevention Foundation. "These leaders have proven that they have tremendous industry vision and have clearly demonstrated their commitment to improving the loss prevention industry through supporting education."

Each of these new board members has clearly demonstrated their support for industry-specific loss prevention certification. They have either personally enrolled in the LPC course and support their companies approving the LPQ and LPC as a preferred requirement for all job postings. It is clear that, each of them has a passion for improving our professional perception as an industry and feel professional certification is a critical step in achieving that goal.

"The Foundation continues to amass strong retail support for its mission – educating the loss prevention industry by providing challenging and convenient resources such as our LPQ and LPC certification programs," said Frank Johns, LPC, chairman of The Loss Prevention Foundation. "Each of these professionals brings a unique perspective as a result of their extensive expertise in loss prevention and store operations."

The board also approved **Marcus Felson, Ph.D., Texas State University** to a position on the Academic Committee. Dr. Felson had previously served on the committee while he was at Rutgers University.

For a complete list of board members, visit our site: [LPF Board of Directors](#)

About The Loss Prevention Foundation

The Loss Prevention Foundation (LPF) is a not-for-profit 501 c (6) organization founded in 2006, by industry leading professionals to serve the loss prevention industry. An international leader in educating and certifying retail loss prevention and retail asset protection professionals. LPF is responsible for administering the industry's only internationally sanctioned LP credentials: LPQualified (LPQ) and LPCertified (LPC). With 24/7 online educational resources and professional membership program, the LPF is able to educate the industry like no other organization of its kind, in the world. LPF is also focused on driving more talent to the industry from colleges, universities, military and law enforcement through its Academic Retail Partnership Program and its Hire A Vet Program. ### LPF - Media Contact: Gene Smith, 704-837-2521, gene.smith@losspreventionfoundation.org