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## Farmers Insurance Names Insurance and Litigation Partner, Steven Weinstein, New General Counsel

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 28, 2013 /PRNewswire/ -- Farmers Insurance has named former Chairman of the Barger & Wolen law firm and insurance and litigation partner, Steven Weinstein, as its new General Counsel. Weinstein is replacing Frank Ceglar, a 36 year veteran of Farmers, who retired after a long and distinguished career at the company.

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In his new position, Weinstein will oversee the company's legal department, including its litigation team, in addition to providing legal guidance to the enterprise and its leadership.

"Farmers is pleased to have a legal expert like Steven Weinstein join our leadership team," said Jeff Dailey, Chief Executive Officer of Farmers. "Steven brings unrivaled experience and acumen to this key position and we look forward to his insight and wisdom."

During his years in private practice, Weinstein handled a wide-range of insurance regulatory matters, complex business litigation and bad faith litigation. As a lawyer who specialized in administrative law and insurance regulatory matters, he has represented insurers before a number of Departments of Insurance across the nation. He also has a recognized expertise in federal and state class actions, unfair trade practice litigation, regulatory litigation, and litigation involving agents and brokers.

Weinstein also co-authored a number of chapters in the Matthew Bender treatise entitled "California Insurance Law and Practice Guide," including the chapter on rate regulation.

He was recently appointed as a Board Member of the California Insurance Guarantee Association by California Insurance Commissioner Dave Jones and named to its Audit Committee.

Farmers Insurance Group of Companies is a leading U.S. insurer group of automobiles, homes and small businesses and also provides a wide range of other insurance and financial services products. Farmers Insurance is proud to serve more than 10 million households with more than 20 million individual policies across all 50 states through the efforts of over 50,000 exclusive and independent agents and nearly 24,000 employees.

The Farmers Exchanges are three reciprocal insurers (Farmers Insurance Exchange, Fire Insurance Exchange and Truck Insurance Exchange), including their subsidiaries and affiliates, owned by their policyholders. Farmers Group, Inc., along with its subsidiaries, manages the non-claims insurance operations of the Farmers Exchanges. Farmers Group, Inc. is wholly owned by the Zurich Insurance Group. For more information about Farmers, visit its Web site at [www.farmers.com](http://www.farmers.com) or at [www.Facebook.com/FarmersInsurance](http://www.Facebook.com/FarmersInsurance).

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