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## WOODRUFF-SAWYER ANNOUNCES PERSONAL PROTECTION OPTIONS FOR INDEPENDENT DIRECTORS

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*“Stresses in financial markets have been high and have recently intensified significantly. If financial conditions fail to improve for a protracted period, the implications for the broader economy could be quite adverse.” Chairman Ben S. Bernanke, before the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, U.S. Senate, September 23, 2008*

In today’s environment, the Independent Director faces greater personal liability than ever before and a traditional Directors and Officers (D&O) policy may not provide sufficient security. Now may be the time for individual directors to obtain personal insurance coverage in addition to that provided by their respective organizations.

Coverage is available that provides a layer of protection in addition to standard D&O insurance and corporate indemnification. The policies are specifically designed to protect an independent director against personal liability when the director’s company cannot. *Most importantly, they put the independent director in control of his or her own financial security.*

Coverage can be provided for single or multiple board positions and responds in excess of each designated organization’s insurance and available indemnification. Policy limits up to \$10,000,000 are available.

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