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Governor Appoints Members to Mississippi Real Estate Appraiser Licensing and Certification Board

Jackson, MS – Governor Ronnie Musgrove appointed Anita Griffith of Cleveland and Teresa Rankin of Biloxi to the Mississippi Real Estate Appraiser Licensing and Certification Board for a term ending January 1, 2006.

"Real estate professionals play a key role in the growth of our communities and businesses," said Musgrove. These two professionals bring strong reputations and great experience to the board, and I appreciate their commitment to their work."

Griffith received her undergraduate from Delta State University. She has been an active in real estate since 1979, working in sales, management, financing, and appraisal. Griffith is also the president and owner of Griffith Real Estate, Inc. She has appraisal experience in all types of property, including urban and rural commercial and residential property. Her professional positions include jury commissioner in Bolivar County, member of the advisory board of Planters Bank and Trust Company in Cleveland, National Association of Realtors ®, Mississippi Association of Realtors ®, and the first Vice President of the Mississippi Chapter of the American Society of Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers, Inc. Griffith is married to William Griffith and has two sons.

Rankin received her bachelors and masters degrees from the University of Southern Mississippi in business administration. She is currently the owner of Teresa Rankin Real Estate Appraisal Company where she is a licensed real estate appraiser. Rankin is also a certified insurance counselor for Joe Rankin Insurance Agent and a licensed real estate appraiser for J. Daniel Schroeder Real Estate Appraisal Company. She is a member of the Independent Insurance Agents of Mississippi and the Professional Insurance Agents of Mississippi.

The duties and responsibilities of the Mississippi Real Estate Appraiser Licensing and Certification board include to license, regulate and supervise resident and non-resident real estate appraisers and to provide penalties for violation of the Real Estate Appraiser Licensing and Certification Act of 1990.