

# ORT News!

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Hello!

Here is your **ORT News!** for October 2010. Included in this month's issue is:

- Still THE Leader;
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- Article: From Average, to Remarkable!; *and*
- Annual Schedule of Fall Festivals, Bazaars & Events.

Regards,  
*Dan Hassen*

## ORT News & Information

### Old Republic is Still THE Leader

The title industry would have to add \$2.4 billion dollars in additional surplus and reserves to be as strong as...

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### Congratulations, Mark!

We are very pleased to confirm that Mark Bilbrey has assumed his responsibilities as President of the Old Republic National Title Insurance Group. Mark's 40 years of experience in the title industry, combined with the numerous leadership positions he has held in state and national title associations, will serve all of us well, as he helps to design the future of our Company.

## Congratulations, John!

John Magness, Senior Vice President, has assumed the role of Southwest Division Manager. John now has management responsibilities for both Agency and direct operations in Texas, New Mexico and Oklahoma. John's 24 years of industry experience and the positive relationships he has formed over the years will further enhance all of our operations.

## Congratulations, Shannon!

Shannon Skurner has been promoted to Central Division Counsel and appointed First Vice President for ORNTIC. Shannon will oversee underwriting and claims management for direct and agency operations in the Central Division.

## Welcome, Natasha!

Natasha Jamail has joined Old Republic Title as Claims Administrator.

Natasha will work directly with claims counsel to investigate and resolve claims in Texas, New Mexico and Tennessee.



## Upcoming Webinars

We have some great Webinars coming up during the fourth quarter.

For more information and/or to view the schedule, click [here](#).

## Industry-Related News & Information



### Reverse Mortgages Can Lead to Big Trouble

Reverse mortgages can be a godsend to some and a nightmare for people who don't understand how they work.

Read more, [here](#).

### Itemization of Credits and Title Service Charges

The Veterans Benefits Administration has new requirements concerning closing costs effective for loan applications taken on or after October 1, 2010.

To read the Circular, click [here](#).





## TLTA is Coming to You!

Join TLTA leadership at one their upcoming Town Hall Meetings.

For more information and/or to view the schedule, click [here](#).



## TREC is Amending Various Forms

The Texas Real Estate Commission is in the process of amending various TREC contracts, addenda and notices.

To view the draft forms and/or submit comments, click [here](#).



## Federal Reserve Announces Changes to Regulation Z

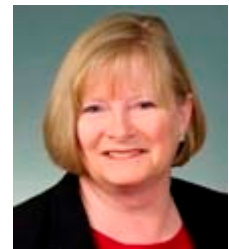
Designed for enhanced consumer protections and disclosures related to home mortgage transactions, the latest proposal would...

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## Ask Ann



ORT's Chief Audit Officer answers your troublesome title-related questions.



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**Question:** I have a scenario in which there are two separate tracts of land (two \$50,000 contracts) with two different sellers ("A" & "B") and one buyer ("C"). The sellers will convey by separate deeds to C. The buyer is asking for one Owner's Title Policy. How do I calculate the Owner's Title Policy premium?

To read Ann's answer, click [here](#).

## Business Corner

### From Average to Remarkable!

Average performers don't transform people's lives; only remarkable performers do.

Read the full article, [here](#).



## Annual Schedule of Fall Festivals, Bazaars & Events

### Fall 2010 Festivals, Bazaars and Events

Fall is finally upon us and now is the time to experience everything it has to offer.

To view the list of upcoming events  
scheduled throughout Texas, click [here](#).

