



Response Positive on NCPA Board Naming Dennis McCuiston

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The National Center for Policy Analysis issued the following news release: Praise for former bank CEO and strategic business consultant Dennis McCuiston and the National Center for Policy Analysis (NCPA) is following today's earlier announcement from the NCPA's Board of Directors naming McCuiston as interim president and CEO of the 31-year old nonprofit, nonpartisan public policy think tank.

Reaction has come from other think tanks and the business community, including: Steve Moore, Heritage Foundation Chief Economist: "Dennis McCuiston has impeccable free market credentials and has widespread respect among conservative leaders and in Washington. He is the right man to ensure that NCPA remains at the forefront of the debate on pro-growth entitlement, budget and tax reform, as it has been for the last quarter century. Mr. McCuiston will enable its voice of reason to continue to ring out." John Allison, President and CEO of the Cato Institute and former CEO of BB&T: "I have known Dennis McCuiston for many years and I am confident that he will do an excellent job guiding NCPA through this transition. Dennis is a person of high character, and a strong advocate for a free society. NCPA has made important contributions to many policy debates - especially healthcare - and I expect those contributions to continue, and expand, under Dennis's leadership." Dick Bowen, UTD Professor and ethics/corporate governance expert: "I have worked closely with Dennis McCuiston and the Institute for Excellence in Corporate Governance and have been a fan of and a guest on the McCuiston program. Dennis is obsessive about researching and discussing all sides of an issue. There is no doubt that Dennis will continue NCPA's key role in

educating the public about the important issues of our time." Dory Wiley, President and CEO of Commerce Street Holdings: "I think the board made a great choice with Dennis. He is very experienced in dealing with companies going through change and has spent many years consulting with them. I know that he has been very supportive of NCPA and its positions and wants to put its success as his number one goal." McCuiston's appointment follows the departure of John C. Goodman last week.

"Dennis McCuiston is an outstanding individual to take the interim president and CEO position," said NCPA Board Chairman Jerry Mills. "His business management acumen and long-time familiarity with the NCPA make him an excellent choice to take the leadership position." Dennis McCuiston is a former bank CEO who is widely recognized as host and co-executive producer of the award-winning television program McCuiston now in its 25th year on Dallas' KERA, Channel 13. For over 35 years, he has consulted for nonprofits and corporate clients nationwide on financial, executive leadership, corporate governance and strategic planning issues. He is the author of three books, hundreds of articles and is currently executive director of the Institute for Excellence in Corporate Governance at the University of Texas at Dallas.

"There is an enormous range of talented scholars at the NCPA in Dallas, Washington, D.C. and across the country," said McCuiston. "I am committed to continue building on the organization's extraordinary track record. Looking forward, I am confident the NCPA will continue as one of the strongest national leaders in developing public policy research." McCuiston said that his top priority will be to assist the board and put in place the talent and management team to take the NCPA to the next level of service to this great nation of ours.