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**Cavnignac & Associates Forms New Personal Lines Department;
Hires Veteran Agent Carolyn Konecki to Head It**

SAN DIEGO, CA -- (April 21, 2015) – [Cavnignac & Associates](http://www.cavnignac.com) has established a new Personal Lines Department, broadening its range of risk management and insurance brokerage services it provides to both commercial businesses and private clients, announced Jeffrey W. Cavnignac, CPCU, ARM, RPLU, president and principal of the downtown San Diego-based firm.

Veteran agent Carolyn Konecki was recruited by Cavnignac & Associates to head its new Personal Lines Department. She brings to the firm 11 years of experience and extensive knowledge about protecting tangible assets such as high-value homes, luxury vehicles, collector cars, watercraft, aircraft and collectibles such as jewelry, wine, fine art and antique furnishings. She will draw on her impressive background to build relationships, educate clients about their risks and options, and provide expert services.

“We recognized a growing need among our existing clients for personal lines of insurance coverage and their preference for having their insurance matters consolidated with one trusted advisor,” said Cavnignac. “Carolyn comes to us with vast, up-to-date knowledge of personal lines, together with an excellent reputation for providing her clients with exceptional service. We feel she is the ideal person to facilitate our expansion into that area, and we’re very pleased to have her aboard.”

Some of the lines of insurance that Cavnignac & Associates will now offer are home, auto, valuables, umbrella, watercraft, aircraft, condo, renters, earthquake, flood, dwelling fire, farm/ranch, life, motorcycle and collector cars. The firm plans to enrich its client education program with seminars and literature to support these lines.

For nine years prior to joining Cavnignac & Associates, Konecki was vice president and personal lines manager of Konecki Insurance, providing expert counsel and insurance brokerage services to affluent individuals. During that time, she set up the personal lines department and quadrupled the agency’s sales volume. In December of 2012, she sold the

agency to Leavitt Insurance of San Diego and stayed on as vice president and personal lines manager and was the company's top personal lines agent.

Konecki graduated magnum cum laude from the University of Southern California with a Bachelor of Science degree in business. She holds a Property & Casualty license for the state of California.

Konecki is involved in numerous San Diego civic organizations, including the San Diego Women's Foundation, Professional Women's Fellowship, La Jolla Real Estate Brokers Association, ProVisors and Casa de Amparo. Currently she sits on the board of directors for the Professional Women's Fellowship and the San Diego Women's Foundation, and is co-chair of the 2015 Casa de Amparo "Crystal Ball Gala."

Born and raised in Malibu, Calif., Konecki resides in Point Loma with her husband of 30 years, John Konecki. They have two grown sons: William, age 29; and Christopher, age 28. Her diverse range of personal interests includes hiking, walking, swimming, wine tasting, painting, art collecting, reading and traveling.

About Cavnac & Associates:

Founded in 1992, Cavnac & Associates is a leading risk management and commercial insurance brokerage firm providing a broad range of insurance and expertise to design and construction firms, as well as to law firms, real estate-related entities, manufacturing companies and the general business community. Company principals are Jeffrey W. Cavnac, CPCU, ARM, RPLU, CRIS, MLIS; James P. Schabarum II, CPCU, AFSB; Scott A. Bedingfield, AAI, CIC, CRIS; Patrick Casinelli, RHU, REBC, CHRS; and Matthew Slakoff, CIC, CRIS. The firm employs a staff of 45 at offices located at 450 B Street, Suite 1800, San Diego, Calif., 92101. More information about the company can be found on the Web at www.cavnac.com.