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Stephen B. Seidman Elected President; New Executive Committee Takes Office

Baltimore, MD — CSAB, Inc., the lead society within ABET, Inc., for accreditation of programs in computer science, information systems, software engineering, and information technology, has named Stephen B. Seidman, Ph.D., the 2009-10 President of the organization. Seidman took office at the close of CSAB's annual Board of Directors meeting, held October 3 in New Orleans, LA. A new Executive Committee was also installed at the end of the meeting. The slate of officers for 2009-2010 is as follows:

Stephen B. Seidman, Ph.D., President, IEEE-CS Representative Director – Seidman is Dean of the College of Science at Texas State University in San Marcos, TX. Before joining Texas State in August 2009, he held administrative positions at several universities, including Dean of the College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics at the University of Central Arkansas, Founding Dean of the College of Computing Sciences at New Jersey Institute of Technology, Chair of the Department of Computer Science at Colorado State University, and head of the Department of Computer Science and Engineering at Auburn University. Seidman has an active interest in computing education and professionalism. He played a leading role in the development of an international standard for software engineering certification and has worked with the IP3 effort to develop a program to certify information technology professionals. Seidman is a long-term IEEE Computer Society volunteer. He has been a member of the IEEE-CS Board of Governors and the IEEE-CS Executive Committee and has held the positions of Secretary, Treasurer, and Vice-President for Educational Activities.

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Barbara A. Price, Ph.D., Vice-President, ACM Representative Director – Price is a Professor of Quantitative Analysis in the College of Business Administration at Georgia Southern University. She has worked in various academic positions throughout the Southeast, was an exchange professor at Deakin University in Australia, taught at Winthrop University, and has served in both administrative and academic roles at Georgia Southern University. She is active in several professional societies including ACM, DSI, IIF, INFORMS, and AIS. In addition, Price is a member of the Executive Committee of the Computing Accreditation Commission of ABET.

Curtis A. Carver, Jr., Ph.D., Secretary-Treasurer, IEEE-CS Representative Director – Carver is the Vice Dean for Education and a professor in the Department of Computer Science at the United States Military Academy at West Point. He is a career Army Colonel with 26 years of service to the nation and has served in a number of tactical and strategic leadership positions stationed throughout the world. Carver is currently a member of the Computing Accreditation Commission of ABET. His academic awards include American Council of Education Fellow, Evanta Outstanding National Leadership Award, FISSEA Educator of the Year, ACM Senior Member, and IEEE Senior Member.

Patrick J. Walsh, Ph.D., Past President, ACM Representative Director – Walsh is a Project Executive at IBM. He has 40 years of information systems and telecommunications experience at IBM, including 10 years as the senior information systems manager at IBM manufacturing and development sites, eight years as a project executive for major outsourcing contracts, and two years as a project executive in the United Kingdom. He has served as the Chair of the Computing Accreditation Commission of ABET and has been involved in accreditation activities since 1986. He has also been an adjunct professor with emphasis on topics in Management Information Systems, Data Base, and Software Reliability.

CSAB, Inc., a federation of the Association for Computing Machinery and the IEEE Computer Society, serves as a participating body of ABET, Inc., with three members on the ABET Board of Directors. CSAB is the lead society within ABET for accreditation of programs in computer science, information systems, software engineering, and information technology, and is a cooperating society for accreditation of computer engineering, biological engineering, and information engineering technology. In this capacity, CSAB has responsibility for the development of accreditation criteria and for the selection and training of program evaluators.

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