



## **ZESBAUGH AND MacDONALD ELECTED TO THE BOARD OF FIREMAN'S FUND®**

NOVATO, Calif., Feb. 7, 2005 -- Mark Zesbaugh and Robert W. MacDonald have been elected to the Board of Directors of Fireman's Fund Insurance Company. Zesbaugh is president and chief executive officer of Allianz Life Insurance Company of North America (Allianz Life), a leading provider of insurance and annuity products marketed throughout the U.S. and Canada. MacDonald is a 37-year veteran of the insurance industry with extensive experience in agency and life insurance company management.

"Fireman's Fund is very fortunate to receive the guidance of these two distinguished industry leaders," said Chuck Kavitsky, Fireman's Fund CEO. "Both bring us in-depth experience in leading highly innovative, customer-focused insurance companies."

### **ZESBAUGH**

Mark Zesbaugh began his insurance career at Life USA Holding, Inc., (Life USA) in 1990. He was appointed executive vice president and chief financial officer in 1995. In addition to leading the overall financial and actuarial operations of Life USA, Zesbaugh was instrumental in the company's merger and acquisition activity, including the sale of Life USA to Allianz Life in 1999.

Zesbaugh was appointed senior vice president and chief financial officer of the combined companies, and was named chief executive officer (CEO) in 2002. Since becoming CEO, Allianz Life has continued strong business growth, with annual premiums increasing some 50 percent, elevating the company to a prominent position in the North American life insurance industry.

### **MacDONALD**

Robert W. MacDonald founded Life USA Holding, Inc., a national financial services and marketing company, which was acquired in 1999 by Allianz Life. Following the acquisition, MacDonald was appointed CEO of Allianz Life as well as Life USA, and took the leadership role in completing the merger of the two companies. He holds a BSL degree from Western State College of Law (Los Angeles) and a CLU designation from the American College (Pennsylvania).

For more information about Fireman's Fund, visit the Web site at [www.firemansfund.com](http://www.firemansfund.com).

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