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Marc W. Cleary Receives Jack F. Derrickson Award for Outstanding Course Leadership

MALVERN, Pa.—Marc W. Cleary, CPCU, ARM, is the 2006 recipient of the Jack F. Derrickson Award for Outstanding Course Leadership given by the American Institute for CPCU and the Insurance Institute of America (IIA). Cleary is a product lines specialist with Liberty Mutual in Boston, Mass. and an instructor for the Insurance Library Association of Boston and the Boston Chapter of the CPCU Society.

The Derrickson Award, which is given annually, honors a teacher of insurance courses whose students pass national Chartered Property Casualty Underwriter (CPCU®) and IIA examinations at a rate higher than the national average over an extended period of time.

Each year, the Institutes provide for the Derrickson winner and a guest to attend the annual CPCU conferment ceremony (to be held this year in Nashville, Tenn.), where the recipient is presented with a check for \$250 and a Derrickson Award plaque.

Peter L. Miller, MBA, president and CEO of the Institutes said, “Outstanding course leaders such as Mr. Cleary have a command of course content as well as the ability to motivate students to *want* to learn. They show a personal interest in students and encourage them to continue to increase their skills and knowledge.”

Cleary has taught Institute courses since he earned his CPCU designation in 1984. He said his desire to teach stems from the two years he spent as a high school social studies teacher before joining Liberty Mutual.

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“I found that there was a need for instructors to communicate ideas to other people,” Cleary said. “The insurance industry is a good industry to be involved in from both a business perspective and as a teacher.”

The award is named for Jack F. Derrickson, CPCU, an insurance executive who graded CPCU and IIA examinations for 38 years and taught insurance courses through the Insurance Society of Philadelphia. Derrickson, who passed away in August 2004 at the age of 92, funded this award to recognize excellence in course leadership.

Cleary is a graduate of Stonehill College in North Easton, Mass., where he received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in International Affairs. He is a former treasurer and current committee member of the Boy Scouts of America Troop 138.

Mr. Cleary and his wife, Joanne, live in Braintree, Mass. They have two children.

Note to Editors: The American Institute for CPCU and the Insurance Institute of America are independent, nonprofit organizations offering educational programs, professional certification, and research to people who practice or have an interest in risk management and/or property-casualty insurance. The Institutes offer the CPCU professional designation program; associate designation programs in areas such as claims, risk management, underwriting, and reinsurance; introductory and foundation programs.

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