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American Land Title Association Reports 4.6 Percent Dip in Title Insurance Premiums

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Washington, D.C. – The American Land Title Association (ALTA) reported title insurance premiums written during the third quarter of 2011 declined by 4.6 percent compared to the third quarter of 2010.

According to ALTA's preliminary 2011 Third-Quarter Market Share Analysis, the title insurance industry generated \$2.35 billion in title insurance premiums during the third quarter of 2011. This is down from \$2.47 billion in title insurance premiums written during the same period a year ago. During the third quarter of 2011, 14 states and Washington, D.C., reported an increase in title insurance premiums, while 36 states experienced a decline in premiums.

The states generating the most title insurance premiums

during the third quarter of 2011 were California (\$336 million, down 8.7 percent compared to the third quarter of 2010), Texas (\$303 million, up 5.3 percent), Florida (\$185 million, up 1.6 percent), New York (185 million, up 7.3 percent) and Pennsylvania (90 million, down 17.7 percent).

In terms of market share, the **Fidelity Family of title insurance underwriters** captured 34.1 percent of the market during the third quarter of 2011, while the First American Family garnered 26.9 percent, the Stewart Family recorded 14.4 percent and the Old Republic Family had 12.7 percent. Meanwhile, regional underwriters held 11.9 percent of the market during the third quarter of 2011, up from a 10.8 percent market share during the same period a year ago.

Data is preliminary because one regional company has not reported premium information. ALTA expects to release its fourth-quarter and full year 2011 Market Share Analysis around March 20, 2012.

About ALTA

The American Land Title Association, founded in 1907, is a national trade association representing more than 4,000 title insurance companies, title agents, independent abstracters, title searchers and attorneys. With offices throughout the United States, ALTA members conduct title searches, examinations, closings, and issue title insurance that protects real property owners and mortgage lenders against losses from defects in titles.



Why Choose Lawyers Title?

STRENGTH

Lawyers Title is a proud member of the **Fidelity National Financial, Inc.** (NYSE: FNF) family of title companies, which collectively represent the largest title insurance and escrow services company in the world. Backed by virtually every measure of financial strength – from assets to title claims reserves, **Lawyers Title** offers policyholders the safest, most secure real estate transaction possible.

THE PERSONAL TOUCH

We are big enough to orchestrate some of the most complex transactions, yet we never lose our personal touch. We are talented people, working on the ground in your community. We find solutions and pay attention to every detail. We take accountability to our customers personally. Success doesn't just happen; it is a matter of precise execution.

**SUPERBOWL
Recipe**



Ingredients:

- 1 tablespoon(s) chili powder
- 1 teaspoon(s) cumin
- 6 skinless, boneless chicken breasts (about 1 1/2 pounds), cut into strips
- 1 tablespoon(s) olive oil
- 1 cup(s) Pace® Chunky Salsa
- 1/4 cup(s) water
- 1 bag(s) mixed salad greens

Directions:

1. Stir the chili powder and cumin in a medium bowl. Add the chicken and toss to coat.
2. Heat the oil in a heavy 12-inch skillet over high heat. Add the chicken & cook until it's blackened & cooked through, stirring often. Remove the chicken from the skillet.
3. Stir the salsa and water in the skillet and cook until the mixture is hot and bubbling. Divide the greens among 6 plates. Top with the chicken and salsa mixture.