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“Crop insurance is a cornerstone of U.S. farm policy. Without crop insurance, there would be no multi-peril insurance for farmers, credit would freeze up, and U.S. taxpayers would be on the hook for both a credit crisis and any natural disasters that hit. It effectively leverages producer-paid premium and private industry innovation to deliver more than \$100 billion in coverage each year.”

CIPA Chairman, William Cole

With the 2014 Farm Bill signed into law, the Crop Insurance Professionals Association (CIPA) will continue to defend and promote the interests of crop insurance agents and their producer customers in Washington.

- CIPA has an exclusive **nationwide membership** of crop insurance agents, spanning from California to Delaware and North Dakota to Texas.
- CIPA works effectively across the regulatory, legislative and political realms of **Washington, D.C.** while maintaining an unparalleled depth and breadth of knowledge about the entire crop insurance industry.
- CIPA has a **16-year** history in supporting agents and their producer customers by working with policymakers in Washington on important legislative and regulatory issues.
- CIPA maintains an active and growing **Political Action Committee** to support Members of Congress who understand how critical crop insurance and farming are to the economy.
- Being part of this **member-driven** organization ensures that your voice will be heard and promotes the exchange of information and ideas among agents and with producer groups, companies, and those who make policy.
- CIPA members receive regular **newsletters and important agent-oriented information**, keeping them informed and up-to-date on issues of importance to the Federal Crop Insurance Program.

Representing CIPA in Washington is Combest, Sell & Associates (CS&A), a seasoned team with a proven track record and a strong belief in the need for effective farm and crop insurance policies.

- **Larry Combest** is the former Chairman of the House Committee on Agriculture (1999 - 2003) and Intelligence Committee (1995-1997), and principal author of both the 2000 Ag Risk Protection Act (ARPA) and the 2002 Farm Bill.
- **Tom Sell** (lawyer, former Congressional staff and USDA appointee), **Jeff Harrison** (former Congressional staff and principal lawyer on drafting of ARPA), and **Trevor White** round out the team of policy professionals that implement CIPA's agenda in Washington, D.C.
- **Jill Whitley** recently joined CIPA to lead the membership development efforts. She can be contacted directly via email at jill@combest-sell.com or by phone at (806)577-7193.

If you believe that federal crop insurance is good policy for our nation and your local community and are willing to stand up for this belief, we hope you will join fellow agents, farmers, and lawmakers in rallying to its defense by joining CIPA and participating in its important work in Washington, D.C. For more information about CIPA, call any member of the CS&A team at (202) 544-5873 or visit www.cipatoday.com to lend your support to their efforts.

“We have heard again and again from producers that crop insurance is the best risk management tool available.”

Joint statement of former House Agriculture Chairman Frank Lucas and Senate Agriculture Chairman Pat Roberts