



What's Happening at NCIS

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Topics this week:

- U&O Committee Meeting
- Association of 1890 Research Directors Symposium
- A.B.A. Bar Assoc. Antitrust Law Spring Meeting in D.C.



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Another active week at NCIS. With many new and important developments taking place in our industry, we bring you a "round-up" of NCIS activities, meetings, projects and progress. A list of future events will also be included in each edition.

We welcome your comments and look forward to sharing this update with you.



NCIS Underwriters & Operations Committee Meeting

The MPCU Underwriting and Operations (U&O) committee's annual meeting was held April 4 and 5 at the NCIS offices in Overland Park, Kansas. Tuesday's session included presentations on antitrust and program integrity followed by a discussion with RMA on unit structures, the draft APH regulation and perennial crop issues. RMA representatives participated in Wednesday's discussions on policy and procedure updates for 2018, including reviewing forthcoming updates to the General Standards Handbook (GSH), Crop Insurance Handbook (CIH), Document and Supplemental Standards Handbook (DSSH), Written Agreement Handbook (WAH) and the Ineligible Standards Handbook (ISH). Additional topics included the ROE Scorecard initiative, Misclassified Acreage Reports demonstration, 508(h) products, Conservation Compliance, Whole Farm, CLU reporting and the Acreage Crop Reporting Streamlining Initiative (ACRSI).



Association of 1890 Research Directors (ARD) Symposium



NCIS participated as a sponsor and exhibitor in the 17th biennial 1890 ARD Symposium in Atlanta, Georgia, on April 2-4. The Association of 1890 Research Directors (ARD) is the federation of the nineteen autonomous 1890 land grant universities that provides coordination of research initiatives among member 1890 Institutions in cooperation with federal, state and private partners. The symposium, which is held every other year, provided the opportunity for

scientists and students to present research papers and posters that share innovative and practical research findings in the food and agricultural sciences. The Symposium attracted over 1000 registered participants and more than 500 research papers and posters were presented focusing on the theme of the Symposium, “1890 Research: Meeting 21st Century Challenges Through Innovation”. Dr. Laurence Crane, NCIS, represented the crop insurance industry and discussed opportunities for students to pursue careers in the crop insurance industry. Representatives of the New Future Foundation, New York City, visited with Dr. Crane about crop insurance in Africa. He discussed with them the crop insurance feasibility research project NCIS conducted in South Africa over a decade ago.

American Bar Association (ABA) Section of Antitrust Law Spring Meeting Held in Washington D.C.

NCIS General Counsel Chuck Lee recently attended the Annual Spring Meeting of the ABA Section of Antitrust Law — the premier event of the year for antitrust professionals worldwide. The event drew nearly 3,000 people, including 600 government enforcers and practitioners from 60 countries outside the United States. The Spring Meeting is the world’s largest gathering of antitrust professionals.

Sessions attended by Chuck included “Agency Update with the U.S. Department of Justice,” “Do Cartel Fines Measure Anti-Competitive Harm?” “The DOJ Leniency Program at 25,” “Antitrust Enforcement Priorities for the New Administration,” and “The Enforcers’ Roundtable.” Presenters at the sessions included the Deputy Assistant Attorneys General of the Justice Department’s Antitrust Division; the Chair of the Federal Trade Commission; the Director General of the European Commission’s Directorate General for Competition; and the Chief of the Economic Litigation Section, U.S. Department of Justice, Antitrust Division.

Future Meetings and Events Calendar (Regional/State Meetings and Schools in Orange)

Event	Date(s)	Location
<i>2017 Meetings - Click Here to access meeting information.</i>		
<i>Registration open 4 to 6 weeks prior to date of meeting(s).</i>		
<i>2017 Meetings</i>		
NAIC Spring Meeting	April 8-11	Denver, CO
MPCI PPLA Committee Meeting	April 18-19	Overland Park, KS
Crop-Hail PPLA Committee Meeting	April 19-20	Overland Park, KS
Technology & Information Processing Committee Meeting	April 25-26	Overland Park, KS
MPCI Pecan Tree, Organic Practice, Rice QA & Sugarcane School	April 26-27	Bastrop, TX

Communications & Outreach Committee Meeting	May 2-3	Overland Park, KS
Crop-Hail A&S Committee Meeting	May 4	Overland Park, KS
Program Development Committee Meeting	May 23-24	Overland Park, KS
MPCI & CH Wheat, CH Canola School	May 23-24	Stillwater, OK
Board of Directors Meeting	June 26-27	TBD
NCIS 2018 Train the Trainer Fall Conference	July 18-19	Overland Park, KS
MPCI & CH Lentil, Safflower, Chickpea, Winter Pea/Pea & Mustard/Canola School	June 20-21	Moccasin, MT
CH Wheat, Corn & Soybean School	June 21-22	Columbia, MO
MPCI & Crop-Hail School	July 11-12	Grand Island, NE
CH Corn, Soybean, Small Grain and MPCI Forage School	July 13	Beresford, SD
CH New Adjuster, Corn & Soybean	July 19	Lamberton, MN
CH Corn & Soybean School	July 20	Lamberton, MN
MPCI & CH Corn, Soybean, Grain Sorghum & Cotton School	July 26-27	Manhattan, KS
MPCI & CH Potato & Malting Barley School	August	Alamosa, CO
CH Potato & Field Corn, MPCI Mint & Apple School	August	Richland, WA
CH Corn, Soybean, Wheat in Classroom School	August 2-3	Champaign, IL
NAIC Summer Meeting	August 5-8	Philadelphia, PA
CH New Adjuster-Corn, Soybean, Dry Bean, Wheat/Barley School	August 7	Fargo, ND
CH Corn, Soybean, Dry Bean, Wheat/Barley School	August 8-9	Fargo, ND
Board of Directors Meeting	September 20-21	Overland Park, KS
NCIS 2018 Train the Trainer Spring Conference	November 8-9	Overland Park, KS
NAIC Fall Meeting	December 2-5	Honolulu, HI
Board of Directors Meeting	December 7-8	TBD
<u>2018 Meetings</u>		
NCIS 2018 Claims Managers' Conference	January 17-18	Overland Park, KS
Crop Insurance Industry Convention	February 4-7	Scottsdale, AZ
NAIC Spring Meeting	March 24-27	Milwaukee, WI

NCIS 2019 Train the Trainer Fall Conference	July 17-18	Overland Park, KS
NAIC Summer Meeting	August 4-7	Boston, MA
NCIS 2019 Train the Trainer Spring Conference	November 7-8	Overland Park, KS
NAIC Fall Meeting	November 15-18	San Francisco, CA