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## **Western & Southern Financial Group® Names Vice President of Operations for Fort Washington Savings Company**

CINCINNATI – Aug. 15, 2006 – Western & Southern Financial Group® (W&SFG) announced the promotion of Mary T. Noll to vice president of Operations for Fort Washington Savings Company, a member company of W&SFG operating as a state-chartered thrift for policyholders of The Western and Southern Life Insurance Company since July 2003.

In her new role, Noll will be responsible for the daily management of Fort Washington Savings Company's bank pilot program in North Carolina in addition to the analysis of all appropriate data to measure success of the initiative. Noll reports to Fort Washington Savings Company President Robert J. DalSanto.

Prior to joining W&SFG in August 2003 as a Leadership Development Associate, Noll served as Senior Accountant for Transwestern Commercial Services and Investment Company and as Senior Auditor with Arthur Andersen LLP. Noll holds a bachelor's degree in Business Administration from Fairfield University and a master's degree in Finance and Strategy from Washington University's Olin School of Business.

### **About Western & Southern Financial Group®**

Western & Southern Financial Group (W&SFG) is a Cincinnati-based diversified family of financial services companies with assets owned and under management in excess of \$39 billion. A Fortune 500 company, W&SFG has received A.M. Best's highest rating of A++ Superior for financial strength, is one of the 10 highest rated life insurance groups in the world based on Standard & Poor's ratings, and is consistently recognized by Moody's and Fitch for financial strength and sound management. With a heritage dating to 1888, the group's affiliates include The Western and Southern Life Insurance Company, Western-Southern Life Assurance Company, Capital Analysts Incorporated,<sup>1,2</sup> Columbus Life Insurance Company, Eagle Realty Group LLC, Fort Washington Investment Advisors, Inc.,<sup>1</sup> Fort Washington Savings Company,<sup>3</sup> IFS Financial Services, Inc., Integrated Investment Services, Inc., Integrity Life Insurance Company, The Lafayette Life Insurance Company, National Integrity Life Insurance Company, Todd Investment Advisors, Inc.,<sup>1</sup> Touchstone Advisors, Inc.,<sup>1</sup> and Touchstone Securities, Inc.<sup>2</sup> For more information, visit [www.westernsouthern.com](http://www.westernsouthern.com). W&SFG is the title sponsor of the Western & Southern Financial Group Masters and Women's Open tennis tournaments.

<sup>1</sup> A registered investment advisor.

<sup>2</sup> A registered broker-dealer and member NASD/SIPC.

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