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## **ASFD Installs Slate of Officers & Directors for 2015-2016 Jason Phillips Elected President**

HIGH POINT, NC...April 27, 2013 – The American Society of Furniture Designers announces its newly elected officers and directors installed at their recent April 20 meeting in High Point, NC. **John Conrad** continues as executive director of the nonprofit organization.

Assuming the role as ASFD president is **Jason Phillips** of Phillips Collection, High Point, NC. Having served on ASFD's board since 2009, Phillips says, "It is an honor and privilege to take over the ASFD helm from Rick Schroeder. The coming year promises to be one where we build our membership, increase networking and mentoring opportunities, and provide exclusive information supporting our members in building their design careers and our industry in truly "touching lives by Design."

**Rick Schroeder** of Stanley Furniture, High Point will serve as chairman for the next two years. Vice presidents are **Tim O'Hare**, of H. Thomas Keller Associates, High Point and **Paula Fogarty**, Paula Scott Unlimited, Savannah, GA.. Newly elected to the executive committee. **Jack Hendrix**, High Point, NC continues as ASFD treasurer.

Ongoing directors are **Nicholas Blair**, Turnkey Products, Chicago, IL; **Denis Kissane**, Stanley Furniture, High Point, NC; **Stephanie Lena**, Somerton Dwelling, Scottsdale, AZ; **Matthew Maher**, VIA Design, Grand Rapids, MI; **Jesse Schopmeyer**, Benchmark Wood Studio, Holland, MI.; **C.J. Grudzinskas**, Catina Unlimited, Greensboro, NC.; **Peter Aiken**, Aiken Design, Greensboro, NC.; **Steve Hodges**, Steve Hodges Associates, Inc., Lexington, NC.; **Fred Spector**, Frederic Spector Design Studio, Providence, RI; and **Mark Tucker**, MT3Dzines LLC, Greensboro, NC.

New directors to the board are **John Black**, J Black Design, Greensboro, NC.; **Christopher Eitel**, Vladimir Kagan Design Group, Montclair, NJ.; **Jake Wharton**, Womble Carlyle Sandridge & Rice, LLP, Winston-Salem, NC.; **Karla Webb**, Bienenstock Furniture Library, High Point, NC.; **Bill McLoughlin**, Furniture Today, Greensboro, NC..

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### **ABOUT ASFD**

Founded in 1981, the American Society of Furniture Designers (ASFD) is dedicated to excellence, innovation, education and originality in the practice of furniture design. ASFD serves as the unified voice of the furniture design community, advocating professional practice

and integrity at all times. ASFD seeks to demonstrate the value of design to the furnishings industry.