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## Clark Plucinski Joins CAPA Board and is Elected President

WASHINGTON, D.C. The Certified Automotive Parts Association has elected Clark Plucinski, President of its Board of Directors. Clark is the second collision repairer who has held this position, following Bob Anderson of Sheffield Lake, Ohio.

"I am delighted with Clark's election," said Jack Gillis, CAPA's Executive Director. "A principal thrust of CAPA's efforts in the year ahead will be to continue to build awareness and support of CAPA throughout the industry. Clark's vast interindustry experience makes him particularly qualified to continue the remarkable growth that CAPA has already experienced."

Plucinski has over 40 years of industry experience starting as a collision repair technician in 1970 at a major GM dealership. He was co-owner and President of BCP Auto Body, Inc. from 1973 to 1996, a four location collision repair business in the metropolitan, D.C. area. He became True2Form's Executive Vice President of Sales & Marketing where he participated in building a chain of 43 collision repair businesses located in four states. In August of 2010 True2Form was acquired by the Boyd Group and is now part of Boyd/Gerber -- the largest collision repair chain in North America -- with 180+ locations in 14 states and 4 Canadian provinces. As a former board member (1996-2000) Clark has had significant past experience with CAPA.

As a nationally recognized industry leader, Clark has held various board seats including: I-CAR, I-CAR Collision Repair Education Foundation, CAPA, ASA Collision Division Committee and the Washington Metropolitan Auto Body Association where he served as president. He received the I-CAR Founders Award, the ASA Special Achievement Award, was elected into "The Hall of Eagles" and



Body Shop Business, a leading industry publication, voted Clark "Collision Shop Executive of the Year".

"As CAPA celebrates its 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, I am not only proud of being part of CAPA's history, but looking forward to continuing CAPA's unique efforts at protecting both consumers, and the industry, from poor quality parts. We repairers need quality competitive parts and CAPA is clearly the best way to identify them in the market," said Plucinski, who began his new position on April 1<sup>st</sup>.

## CAPA's Board includes:

Bill Brower, Liberty Mutual Insurance
Bill Daly, Allstate Insurance
Bill DeGrocco, GEICO
Jack Gillis, CAPA
John Palumbo, PartsChannel, Inc.
Clark Plucinski, Boyds Group /Gerber
Ed Salamy, K.S.I. Trading Corp.
Ben Steinman, Ben's Auto Body
Carol Waldron, State Farm Mutual Insurance

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