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**Eddie Goldsmith, Chairman of The Conveyancing Association responds to the Financial Services Authority's thematic review on mortgage fraud:**

"The Conveyancing Association (CA) welcomes and understands the issues raised by the Financial Services Authority's (FSA) thematic review of mortgage fraud. One of the fundamental reasons for creating the CA was to distinguish ourselves from other conveyancers by being able to reassure lenders and third parties of the probity and quality of our members both solicitors and licensed conveyancers.

We recognise that as a result of this report lenders will need to be looking more carefully at their panels and how to monitor them on an ongoing basis. That is why the CA is actively discussing a series of measures to further enhance our member's proposition to lenders whilst at the same time helping those lenders in achieving the recommendations in the report."

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**Notes to Editors**

The CA was founded in autumn 2010. It is the only trade body in the residential property sector which specifically represents the interests of both licensed conveyancers and solicitors firms in the UK who fall into the category of 'Serious Conveyancers'.

Since the launch of the CA in September 2010, the CA has developed a significant presence in the sector and has expanded its membership of like-minded firms. It's members carry out over two thirds (67%) of all UK mortgaging work and 10% of all UK property transactions.

The CA is a not-for-profit membership association of licensed conveyancers and solicitors firms whose objectives are to improve the experience for the home moving public, to encourage greater collaborative working as it leads to greater profit and efficiency, to take a fresh and innovative approach to that process, and to raise standards and co-operation with all others involved in pursuit of those objectives.

A full membership list can be found here: <http://theconveyancingassociation.co.uk/Members.html>

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