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## ANA extends its long relationship with NGC, PMG and NCS as official grading, conservation services

The American Numismatic Association and <u>Certified Collectibles Group</u> have agreed to a five-year extension that designates <u>Numismatic Guaranty Corporation</u>, <u>Paper Money Guaranty</u> and <u>Numismatic Conservation Services</u> as the ANA's official grading and conservation services.

NGC is the recognized leader for consistent and accurate coin grading and has been the ANA's only official grading service since 1995.

"We are very excited about our continued relationship with the ANA, and we are honored to be the only service to ever have this designation" said Steve Eichenbaum, CEO of the Certified Collectibles Group. "The ANA and CCG share a common commitment to the advancement and betterment of the hobby, and we are happy to support the ANA's efforts."

The agreement means ANA members can continue to submit coins and paper money directly to NGC, PMG and NCS without going through a third party – one of the most popular ANA membership benefits.

CCG's independent member companies will also work with items in the ANA's Edward C. Rochette Money Museum collection – conserving 500 coins, grading 500 coins and grading 500 notes each year. Most graded items will be encapsulated in NGC's museum holders, with a special ANA museum collection label.

"This agreement will continue the beneficial partnership between the ANA and NGC, which has allowed the museum to protect its Bebee Collection of Paper Money as well as provide better housing for its high-value coins," ANA President Tom Hallenbeck said. "The services provided by NGC, PMG and NCS will only help to improve the collection going forward."

The three services will also serve as Title Sponsors for the ANA's World's Fair of Money and for the National Money Shows for the five-year period. In addition, CCG will provide instructors in grading and conservation for a number of ANA educational programs, including Summer Seminar and ANA conventions.

To submit your coins, contact NGC directly for more information at 1-800-NGC-COIN, by e-mail at <u>service@ngccoin.com</u> or go to <u>www.ngccoin.com</u>.

NCS was added as the ANA's conservation service of choice in 2000. Its conservators are qualified to help members identify damaging conditions and can professionally conserve and stabilize coins to ensure they last a lifetime. For more information, call NCS 1-866-NCS-COIN, e-mail <u>ncshelp@ncscoin.com</u> or go to <u>www.ncscoin.com</u>.

PMG became the ANA's official paper money grading service in 2007. ANA members can submit their currency directly for grading and encapsulation. For more information, call at 1-877-PMG-5570, e-mail <u>service@pmgnotes.com</u> or go to <u>www.pmgnotes.com</u>.

For more information or questions, call CCG at 1-800-587-1897 or go to www.collectiblesgroup.com.

The American Numismatic Association is a congressionally chartered nonprofit educational organization dedicated to encouraging people to study and collect money and related items. The ANA helps its 28,000 members and the public discover and explore the world of money through its vast array of education and outreach programs, as well as its museum, library, publications, conventions and seminars. For more information, call 719-632-2646 or go to www.money.org.