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THE AMERICAN ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION SELECTED TO ADMINISTER MINNESOTA NO-FAULT PROGRAM

MINNEAPOLIS, MN October 24, 2016 – After a competitive bid process, the state of Minnesota again has selected the American Arbitration Association[®] (AAA[®]) to administer the Minnesota No-Fault Arbitration Caseload. Pursuant to the contract, the AAA will serve as administrator for an additional four years. *The AAA has served as administrator for this program since 1975*.

In 1975, the AAA and the Minnesota Supreme Court collaborated on the introduction of a rules-based approach to the administration of Minnesota Personal Injury Protection (PIP or No-Fault) disputes. The tens of thousands of cases that the AAA has administered are in accordance with the Minnesota Rules of No-Fault Arbitration Procedures, amended effective Sept. 1, 2016, and by the Roster of MN No-Fault Arbitrators.

Asked what it is about the AAA that contributes to their continued selection, AAA Assistant Vice President Krista Peach comments: "We've built a strong foundation with the Minnesota No-Fault Community through our unmatched experience, exceptional service, and commitment to innovation. We are dedicated to this program--always looking for ways to enhance the system in order to improve the user's experience."

In 2015, 7,031 cases were filed, and 35.23% of the cases closed in 2015 were settled.

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About the American Arbitration Association

The not-for-profit American Arbitration Association (AAA) has administered approximately 4.1 million alternative dispute resolution (ADR) cases since its founding 90 years ago. With 23 offices in the United States, in addition to Mexico, Singapore, and Bahrain, the AAA provides organizations of all sizes in virtually every industry with ADR services and products. The AAA's international division, the International Centre for Dispute Resolution (ICDR), extends the AAA's quality legacy globally. For more information, visit www.adr.org.