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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

SCOTT DONATES WYETH FOLIO

CHARLESTON, ILL. -- Jeffrey G. Scott of Reston, Va., regional vice president for CIGNA Financial Advisors and a 1968 graduate of Eastern Illinois University, has donated "The Farm," a folio of four etchings by Jamie Wyeth, "a member of America's first family of artists," to Eastern's Lumpkin College of Business and Applied Sciences.

The suite of etchings will be on permanent loan to the Tarble Arts Center.

Wyeth's grandfather, N.C. Wyeth, created the illustrations for "Treasure Island," "The Last of the Mohicans" and other books from the "golden age of American book illustration" during the early part of the century.

Wyeth's father, Andrew, is one of America's foremost artists in the Realist tradition. He received notoriety in the 1980s for the discovery of his Helga series.

"Jamie Wyeth, to my mind, seems to take a little from both his predecessors," said Scott. "Jamie takes something from his father's personal imagery and adds to it some of the heroic qualities of his

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grandfather to come up with his own unique vision and visions of the American farm and its animals, which are the lifeblood or even life force of this country."

Jamie Wyeth's art work is included in the collections of the National Gallery of Art, the National Portrait Gallery at the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C., The Museum of Modern Art in New York and the Brandywine River Museum in Chadsford, Pa., the home place of the Wyeth family.

The Tarble also has in its collection the collotype "Young Abe Lincoln," taken from a drawing by N.C. Wyeth, on long-term loan from the Mattoon Manufacturing Division of R.R. Donnelley & Sons Co.

Scott served in the U.S. Army as an ordinance officer from 1969-1971. He began his career with CIGNA Individual Financial Services Company, formerly Connecticut General Life Insurance Company, as a sales representative in January of 1971. Scott moved rapidly through CIGNA's management system and was appointed to his current position in 1983.

A five-time recipient of CIGNA's Outstanding Agency Award and a nine-time winner of the General Agents and Managers Association (GAMA) Master Agency Award, Scott also is an active speaker throughout the financial services industry. He has appeared on the PBS television show, "The Financial Insider," and has been a featured speaker for the GAMA National Conference and the Purdue University Insurance Marketing Institute.

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Scott serves on Eastern's Foundation Board and has been on the Advisory Board of the Lumpkin College of Business since 1990. He was a major contributor to the College's "Taking Care of Business" capital campaign in the late 1980s.

He was named the Lumpkin College of Business and Applied Sciences Distinguished Business Alumnus in 1990 and served as an Executive-in-Residence for the Department of Management and Marketing in 1995.

Born in Salem, Ill., Scott is married to the former Lila Spencer, also of Salem, Ill. They have two daughters, Courtney, 17 and Whitney, 13.

Eastern, which is celebrating its 100th anniversary in 1994-95, is a comprehensive university with more than 10,500 students and 46 undergraduate and 27 graduate degree programs. It is a teaching institution which prides itself on the quality and affordability of its undergraduate program.