

## Distilled Spirits Council Names Ted Huber Chairman of Small Distiller Affiliate

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### Eight-Member Advisory Council Also Elected

Washington, DC – The Distilled Spirits Council (DISCUS) today announced that Ted Huber of Huber Starlight Distillery in Starlight, IN, has been named Chairman of its Small Distiller Membership, an affiliate arm for distillers who produce less than 100,000 gallons per year. In addition to serving as Chairman, Huber will also attend DISCUS Board of Directors meetings.

To ensure regional representation of the growing small distiller movement across the U.S., the Council also appointed four regional Vice Chairmen. They are Steve Johnson of Vermont Spirits Distilling Co., Hartford, VT (Northeast); Phil Prichard of Prichards' Distillery, Kelso, TN (South); Guy Rehorst of Great Lakes Distillery, Milwaukee, WI (Midwest); and Tom Mooney of House Spirits, Portland, OR (West).

### Small Distiller Group Elects Eight-Member Advisory Board

The Council also announced that an eight-member Advisory Council has been elected by the Small Distiller Affiliate Members for a term through the 2015 Annual Policy Conference. New Advisory Council members include Andrew Auwerda of Philadelphia Distilling, Philadelphia, PA; John Dannerbeck of Anchor Distilling Co., San Francisco, CA; Kent Fleischmann of Dry Fly Distilling, Spokane, WA; Dan Garrison of Garrison Brothers Distillery, Hye, TX; Scott Harris of Catocin Creek Distilling Co., Purcellville, VA; Wes Henderson of Louisville Distilling Co., Louisville, KY; Paul Hletko of Few Spirits, Evanston, IL; and Lance Winters of St. George Spirits, Alameda, CA.

“Today’s announcement enhancing the governance structure of DISCUS’ Small Distiller Affiliate group will help advance the public policy interests of distillers of all sizes in our nation’s capital, in the states, and around the globe,” Distilled Spirits Council CEO Peter H. Cressy said. “It is critically important to work together in addressing the ongoing challenges of market modernization and blocking job-killing hospitality taxes, while promoting social responsibility and moderation.”

The Small Distiller Affiliate Membership, which was originally launched in 2010, now numbers over 80 members in 30 states. Its purpose is to organize the growing number of small distilled spirits producers across the nation and to give them a voice in public policy issues affecting the industry at every level of government. In addition to public policy matters, the members have many opportunities to participate in a wide range of activities from export promotions abroad to high-level meetings and events with top legislative and policy leaders and major associations from the other industry tiers.

“I have worked closely with the Distilled Spirits Council since the founding of its Small Distiller group with Fritz Maytag of Anchor Distilling in 2010. I have always believed that bringing the resources of large distillers together with the grassroots strength of the growing number of small distillers will produce positive results in the public policy arena,” said Huber Starlight Distillery’s Ted Huber.

