

## PRECISION SPINE ANNOUNCES ADDITION OF NEW BOARD MEMBER

**Parsippany** – **March 13, 2013** - The Board of Directors of Precision Spine, Inc. is pleased to announce the addition of a new member, Stephen D. Cook, Ph.D. Dr. Cook is President and Chief Scientist at the Fellowship of Orthopaedic Researchers in Metairie, Louisiana. He sits on the editorial boards of several notable clinical journals, including *Journal of Biomedical Materials Research, Journal of Oral Implantology, Medical Design and Materials* and *The Journal of Arthroplasty*. Dr. Cook's major areas of research interest lie in Spine Implants and Motion Preservation, Biological Attachment Mechanisms, Mechanics and Histology of Implant Interfaces, and other related fields.

Dr. Cook is currently a Research Professor in the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery and Clinical Professor of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at the Louisiana State University Health Science Center in New Orleans, and held the position of *Lee C. Schlesinger Professor*, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery at Tulane University from 1992 through 2006. He has over 200 published peer reviewed clinical and research papers to his credit.

"Dr. Cook will be an excellent addition to the board," said James R. Pastena, CEO. "His experience in research and clinical application of medical devices will bring an invaluable perspective as we continue to expand, improve, and innovate our spinal products.

Precision Spine, Inc., the parent company of Spinal USA, Inc., is a privately held company headquartered in Parsippany, NJ, with manufacturing facilities in Mississippi. Precision Spine is dedicated to providing innovative, quality spine products that are designed to help treat serious orthopedic medical conditions in a cost effective manner. For more information, visit <u>www.precisionspineinc.com</u>.

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