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Morris Plains' Frank Trupia Honored as Appraisal Institute's 'Volunteer of Distinction'

CHICAGO (Nov. 9, 2011) – Frank Trupia, MAI, of Morris Plains, N.J., was recognized today as the Appraisal Institute's November "Volunteer of Distinction" for Region VI.

The Appraisal Institute is the nation's largest professional association of real estate appraisers; Region VI consists of Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Washington DC. Trupia is a member of the Northeast New Jersey Chapter.

"Frank Trupia is an example of the outstanding individuals who belong to the Appraisal Institute," said Appraisal Institute President Joseph C. Magdziarz, MAI, SRA. "We're proud of the contributions Frank and all our members make to our organization, to the real estate valuation profession and to the communities where they work and live."

Trupia is chair of the Nominating Committee for the Northeast New Jersey Chapter, served as chapter president in 2009 and 2010, chapter vice president in 2003-2004 and 2007-2008, as a chapter board member for 10 years and has chaired all chapter committees. He became a member of the Appraisal Institute in 1991 and earned his MAI designation in 2002.

He is vice president/manager of the Oxford Group in Morris Plains, N.J. and New York City, where he has worked since 1994, and has been involved in the real estate valuation industry for 20 years. He earned his bachelor's degree from Rutgers University in business administration.

In his community, Trupia participated in the Ride for Autism five times and raised more than \$10,000. He also coaches with the Verona Recreation Department in Verona, N.J. for various youth sports leagues. He is married to Jennifer Trupia; they have two children, Grace and Joseph.

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