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Plantation's Claudia Vance Honored as Appraisal Institute's 'Volunteer of Distinction'

CHICAGO (Oct. 5, 2011) – Claudia Vance, MAI, of Plantation, Fla., was recognized today as the Appraisal Institute's October "Volunteer of Distinction" for Region X.

The Appraisal Institute is the nation's largest professional association of real estate appraisers; Region X consists of Florida and Puerto Rico. Vance is a member of the South Florida Chapter.

"Claudia Vance 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 Claudia and all our members make to our organization, to the real estate valuation profession and to the communities where they work and live."

Vance served as president of the South Florida Chapter in 2003 and all other officer positions from 1999 to 2002. She was the chapter's Region X representative in 2006-09, Education Committee chair (1995-98 and 2007-11) and a member of the region's Ethics and Counseling and Panel.

She has instructed courses for real estate agents on valuation and mathematics. She is state certified in Florida. In her community, Vance is a member of the Navy League of the United States, the U.S. Naval Academy Parents Club and Zeta Tau Alpha alumna member.

She is vice president of Vance Real Estate and has been involved in the real estate valuation industry for 30 years. She earned her bachelor's degree from the University of New Orleans in secondary English education. She is married to Jesse B. Vance, Jr., MAI, SRA; they have two daughters, Laura and Jessica.

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professionalism and ethics, global standards, methodologies, and practices through the professional development of property economics worldwide. Organized in 1932, the Appraisal Institute advocates equal opportunity and nondiscrimination in the appraisal profession and conducts its activities in accordance with applicable federal, state and local laws. Members of the Appraisal Institute benefit from an array of professional education and advocacy programs, and may hold the prestigious MAI, SRPA and SRA designations. Learn more at www.appraisalinstitute.org.

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