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## **Jasper's Dennis Key Honored as Appraisal Institute's 'Volunteer of Distinction'**

CHICAGO (Oct. 8, 2014) – Dennis W. Key, SRA, of Jasper, Alabama, was recognized today as the Appraisal Institute's October "Volunteer of Distinction" for Region IX.

The Appraisal Institute is the nation's largest professional association of real estate appraisers; Region IX consists of Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, South Carolina and Tennessee. Key is a member of the Alabama Chapter.

"Dennis Key is an exceptional ambassador for the Appraisal Institute," said Appraisal Institute President Ken P. Wilson, MAI, SRA. "We're proud to be represented by individuals like Dennis, who faithfully serve our organization and the real estate valuation profession, as well as their local communities."

Key has served on the Appraisal Institute's Government Relations Committee since 2012 and is the Alabama Chapter Government Relations chair. He attended AI's Leadership Development and Advisory Council from 2006-09 and served as a discussion leader in 2009. He was Alabama Chapter president in 2007, vice president in 2006, treasurer in 2005 and secretary in 2004. He has also served on a variety of committees.

Key has been president of Key & Company, Inc., in Jasper since 1996. He has been involved in the real estate valuation profession for 35 years. He joined the Appraisal Institute in 1985, and received his SRA designation in 1988.

He is a member of the Alabama Real Estate Appraiser's Board and is active in his church's music program.

He is married and has two children.

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