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Birmingham's J. Roger Ball, Jr. Honored as Appraisal Institute's 'Volunteer of Distinction'

CHICAGO (Feb. 3, 2016) – J. Roger Ball, Jr., MAI, of Birmingham, Alabama, was recognized today as the Appraisal Institute's February "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. Ball is a member of the Alabama Chapter.

"Roger Ball is an outstanding example of the high standards held by Appraisal Institute professionals," said Appraisal Institute President Scott Robinson, MAI, SRA, AI-GRS. "We feel fortunate to have volunteers like Roger, who are willing to devote their time and talent to helping their communities and advancing the valuation profession."

Ball is the Alabama Chapter's treasurer, Finance Committee chair and chair of the Education Committee, a position he has held since 2015. He also served as chapter secretary in 2015. Ball served on the Candidate Guidance Committee in 2013, and on the Membership Admissions, Development and Retention Committee in 2012 and the chapter's Board of Directors from 2012-14. Ball served on the Education Committee from 2012-14, was the chair of the Associate Member Committee in 2012 and was the chapter's Alternate Regional Representative in 2011. Ball received the Alabama Chapter's President's Award for Outstanding Service to the Chapter in 2015.

He is a member of the Board of Directors for the International Center for Valuation Certification, an affiliate of the Appraisal Institute. Ball served on the national Leadership Development Advisory Council from 2012-15, and was its discussion leader in 2015. He also has served as an advisor for the Appraisal Institute's Candidate for Designation program. Ball joined the Appraisal Institute in 2003, and received his MAI designation in 2012.

He is a senior real estate analyst at Commercial Valuation Services in Birmingham, and has been in the valuation profession for 12 years. Ball attended Birmingham-Southern College in Birmingham.

Among his volunteer activities are serving as vice president of advancement for the Birmingham-Southern College Alumni Association, president of the Birmingham Chapter of the Coastal Conservation Association and co-chair of the Downtown Birmingham Chapter of Ducks Unlimited.

Ball and his wife, Nancy, have one son, and are expecting their second child in May.

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