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Las Vegas' Keith Harper Honored as Appraisal Institute's 'Volunteer of Distinction'

CHICAGO (April 4, 2012) – Keith Harper, MAI, of Las Vegas was recognized today as the Appraisal Institute's April "Volunteer of Distinction" for Region VII.

The Appraisal Institute is the nation's largest professional association of real estate appraisers; Region VII consists of Arizona, Hawaii, Southern California and Southern Nevada. Harper is a member of the Las Vegas Chapter.

"Keith Harper is an excellent ambassador for the Appraisal Institute," said Appraisal Institute President Sara W. Stephens, MAI. "We're privileged to have members like Keith who actively contribute to the real estate valuation profession and to their local communities every day."

Harper has served on the Las Vegas Chapter's Government Relations Committee since 2010, and was chair in 2011. He served on the Nominating Committee in 2010, as president and regional representative in 1995 and vice president in 1994. He became a member of the Appraisal Institute in 1988 and received his MAI designation in 1992.

He has been the president of Valuation Consultants in Las Vegas since 1992, and has been involved in the real estate valuation profession for 28 years.

He is a part-time instructor at the University of Nevada-Las Vegas, and has served on multiple panels for various local real estate organizations.

He earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Texas at Austin.

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