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Duluth's Lisa Jenkins Wells Honored as Appraisal Institute's 'Volunteer of Distinction'

CHICAGO (Dec. 8, 2010) – Lisa Jenkins Wells of Duluth, Ga., was recognized today as the Appraisal Institute's December "Volunteer of Distinction" for Region IX.

The Appraisal Institute is the nation's largest organization of real estate appraisers; Region IX includes Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, South Carolina and Tennessee. Jenkins Wells is a member of the Appraisal Institute's Atlanta Chapter.

"Lisa Jenkins Wells is an example of the outstanding individuals who belong to the Appraisal Institute," said Leslie P. Sellers, MAI, SRA, Appraisal Institute president. "We're proud of the contributions Lisa and all our members make to our organization, to the real estate valuation profession and to the communities where they work and live."

Jenkins Wells has been a member of the Appraisal Institute for nearly 25 years. Her service to the Appraisal Institute includes serving as director of the Atlanta Chapter as well as chair of its Public Relations Committee and member of its State of Atlanta Organizing Committee. A current Region IX representative, she serves as project team leader for the Atlanta Chapter's Scholarship Program, which has raised thousands of dollars in scholarship funds for appraisers.

Jenkins Wells has been involved in the real estate valuation profession for more than a quarter century. Her service to the profession includes serving on the Leadership Committee of the Commercial Real Estate Women organization and as a past member of its Careers Day Committee. She has been certified as a general real estate appraiser by the state of Georgia and has been a vice president at Wells Fargo since 2006.

In her community, Jenkins Wells is actively involved in fund raising events for numerous organizations, including the Foundation for Fighting Blindness, the Elgin Wells Foundation, Clark's Kids and Chapter 690 of the Experimental Aircraft Association.

Jenkins Wells joined one of AI's predecessor organizations in 1986.

The Appraisal Institute is a global membership association of professional real estate appraisers, with more than 25,000 members and 91 chapters throughout the world. Its mission is to advance 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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