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Bellevue's R. Scott Adams, MAI, Honored as Appraisal Institute's 'Volunteer of Distinction'

CHICAGO (May 5, 2010) – R. Scott Adams, MAI, of Bellevue, Wash., was recognized today as the Appraisal Institute's May "Volunteer of Distinction" for Region I.

The Appraisal Institute is the nation's largest organization of real estate appraisers; Region I includes Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Northern California, Northern Nevada, Oregon, Washington State, and Alberta and British Columbia in Canada. Adams is a member of the Appraisal Institute's Seattle Chapter.

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

Adams has been a member of the Appraisal Institute for more than 20 years. His service to the Appraisal Institute includes currently serving as vice-president of the Seattle Chapter. Previously, he had served as the Seattle Chapter's treasurer and secretary in 2009 and 2008, respectively. Prior to those roles, Adams served as a member of Associate Member Guidance and Technology Committees. In 2011, he will serve as president of the Seattle Chapter.

Adams has been involved in the real estate valuation profession for more than 30 years. His service to the profession includes belonging to the Risk Management Association and playing an active role in the Chief Appraisers Roundtable. He has been certified as a general real estate appraiser by the state of Washington and has been the chief appraiser at Banner Bank since 2004.

In his community, Adams is heavily involved in his alma mater, Washington State University, where he is on the board of governors for the Alpha Kappa chapter of the Phi Kappa Tau fraternity. In this role, he is providing leadership to the young men of the fraternity and helping with fundraising efforts to improve the student experience of Phi Kappa Tau members.

Adams, 57, earned his MAI designation in 2002. He holds a degree from Washington State University.

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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