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Bakersfield's Luther "Skip" Ogle Honored as Appraisal Institute's 'Volunteer of Distinction'

CHICAGO (Nov. 9, 2011) – Luther "Skip" Ogle, SRA, of Bakersfield, Calif., was recognized today as the Appraisal Institute's November "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. Ogle is a member of the Central California Chapter.

"Skip Ogle is an example of the outstanding individuals who belong to the Appraisal Institute," said Appraisal Institute President Joseph C. Magdziarz, MAI, SRA. "We're proud of the contributions Skip and all our members make to our organization, to the real estate valuation profession and to the communities where they work and live."

Ogle joined the Appraisal Institute in 1991 and earned his designation in 2008. He serves as chair of the Nominating Committee for the Central California Chapter, as well as Government Relations Committee chair, a position he also held from 2004-2009. He was vice president and Education Committee chair of the Central California Chapter from 2006-2008 and chapter president from 2009-2010. He has facilitated a panel discussion with the Bakersfield Association of Realtors.

He has worked in the real estate valuation profession for 18 years, serving as president of Skip Ogle & Associates in Bakersfield, Calif. since 1997. He is married to Jewell Ogle.

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