



Volunteers of Distinction

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St. Simons Island's Dustin A. Lewis Honored as Appraisal Institute's 'Volunteer of Distinction'

CHICAGO (Oct. 4, 2017) – Dustin A. Lewis, MAI, SRA, of St. Simons Island, Georgia, was recognized today as an Appraisal Institute third quarter "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. Lewis is a member of the Savannah Area Chapter.

"Dustin Lewis has shown a great commitment to the Appraisal Institute," said Appraisal Institute President & Acting CEO Jim Amorin, MAI, SRA, AI-GRS. "We are proud to have volunteers like Dustin who have dedicated themselves to the advancement of our organization, the valuation profession and their local communities."

Lewis has served as chair of the Savannah Area Chapter's Education Committee since 2016. He previously was chair of the Candidate Guidance Committee in 2015; chair of the Nominating Committee and chair of the Government Relations Committee in 2014; president and chair of the Bylaws Committee in 2013; on the Board of Directors from 2007-13; vice president and chair of the Finance Committee in 2012; and chair of the Admissions Committee-Residential and chair of the Associate Guidance Committee-Residential in 2009. He served as a director of the national Appraisal Institute Holdings from 2013-15; on the University Relations Panel in 2014; as chair of the Appraisal Guidance Panel in 2012; and a Leadership Development and Advisory Council Conference participant in 2011, as well as 2013 when he served as a discussion leader. He also served on the national Review Committee, and as a screener.

Lewis joined the Appraisal Institute in 1999, received his SRA designation in 2007 and his MAI designation in 2012.

He is a third-generation real estate professional, and he has been an advisor to three Candidates for Designation.

Lewis has been the CEO of Dustin Lewis Appraisal Association, Inc. in St. Simons Island since founding the company in 1998, and has been in the valuation profession for 22 years. He received his bachelor's

degree in finance with an emphasis in real estate from Georgia Southern University in Statesboro, Georgia.

Among his volunteer activities, Lewis has served in various leadership roles at the Wesley United Methodist Church, is a youth bible study leader, volunteers at the homeless shelter, Manna House, was a member of the board and Steering Committee for Golden Isles Walk to Emmaus, coached youth sports and served on the board of the YWCA. Active in his church and local athletics, Lewis has been nominated to serve on the board of the local Fellowship of Christian Athletes. He was named an alumni of distinction by Georgia Southern University in 2014.

Lewis and his wife, Lynn, have two children, Chance and Caroline.

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