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**Frisco's Allen Gardiner Honored
as Appraisal Institute's 'Volunteer of Distinction'**

CHICAGO (Jan. 3, 2018) – Allen W. Gardiner, SRA, of Frisco, Texas, was recognized today as an Appraisal Institute fourth quarter "Volunteer of Distinction" for Region VIII.

The Appraisal Institute is the nation's largest professional association of real estate appraisers; Region VIII consists of New Mexico and Texas. Gardiner is a member of the North Texas Chapter.

"Allen Gardiner has been a great contributor to the Appraisal Institute," said Appraisal Institute President James L. Murrett, MAI, SRA. "We are grateful for the time, effort and talent of volunteers like Allen who have devoted themselves to the betterment of our organization, the valuation profession and their local communities."

Gardiner served as the chair of the North Texas Chapter's Government Relations Committee in and on the Nominating Committee in 2017. He previously served on the Government Relations Committee in 2016; Board of Directors and chair of the Nominating Committee in 2013; member of the Finance Committee in 2013; president in 2012; vice president in 2011; secretary in 2010; treasurer and finance chair in 2009 and regional representative from 2005-08 and 2010. He served on the national Nominating Committee in 2015. He also was a member of the national Appraisal Management Company Project Team; Products Rating Team; chair of the RAC Project Team and a Candidate for Designation advisor.

He also is a Foundation Appraisers Coalition of Texas representative for the North Texas Chapter, and served as a FACT committee member in the initial efforts to submit potential legislation for AMC's in Texas.

Gardiner joined the Appraisal Institute in 1993, and received his SRA designation in 1999.

He has been the owner of Gardiner Ray, LLC in Frisco since 2016, and has been in the valuation profession for 25 years. He received a bachelor of business administration degree in Finance and Economics from Texas Tech University in Lubbock.

Among his community activities, Gardiner is a member of the St. Andrews Methodist Church and served as board member and president of the Dallas Bethlehem Center. He also recently served as a board member for the Frisco Football League.

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