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Fullerton’s John Penner Honored as Appraisal Institute’s ‘Volunteer of Distinction’

CHICAGO (Dec. 7, 2016) – John D. Penner, MAI, of Fullerton, California, was recognized today as the Appraisal Institute’s December “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. Penner is a member of the Southern California Chapter.

“John Penner is an outstanding example of the high standards held by Appraisal Institute professionals,” said Appraisal Institute President Scott Robinson, MAI, SRA, AI-GRS. “We feel fortunate to have volunteers like John, who are willing to devote their time and talent to helping their communities and advancing the valuation profession.”

Penner serves the Southern California Chapter as chair and advisor for the Southern Branch, a position he has held since 2014. He was chair of the chapter’s New Advisor/Candidate program in 2013; chair of the Hospitality Committee from 2011-12; regional representative from 2006-09; served on the Experience Review Committee from 1996-98 and on the External Relations Committee from 1994-95. Penner also was a speaker and assisted in planning the chapter’s Expense Seminar in 1999, 2004 and 2006. He joined a predecessor organization of the Appraisal Institute in 1990, and received his MAI designation in 1992.

Penner has been an advisor to three Appraisal Institute Candidates for Designation.
He has been the senior managing director of Valbridge Property Advisors, located in Fullerton, since 2013, and has been in the valuation profession for 33 years. He received a bachelor’s degree in finance and investments from San Diego State University.

Penner’s volunteer activities include coaching Little League, youth soccer, basketball and tennis. He is a member of Preserve Our Past, and serves in numerous roles at the Rose Drive Friends Church.

Penner has four children: John Jr., Hope, Grace and Mark.
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