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Little Rock’s Leah Lasley Shell Honored as Appraisal Institute ‘Volunteer of Distinction’

CHICAGO (Oct. 3, 2018) – Leah Lasley Shell, SRA, of Little Rock, Arkansas, was recognized today as an Appraisal Institute “Volunteer of Distinction” for third quarter 2018.

The Appraisal Institute is the nation’s largest professional association of real estate appraisers. Shell is a member of the Arkansas Chapter.

The Appraisal Institute’s Volunteer of Distinction program honors the organization’s volunteers for their service to the Appraisal Institute, to the real estate valuation profession and to their local communities. Each quarter, the Appraisal Institute recognizes AI professionals who have been nominated by their fellow AI professionals.

“Leah Lasley Shell 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 Leah who have devoted themselves to the betterment of our organization, the valuation profession and their local communities.”

Shell has served as a member of the Candidate Guidance Committee since 2014 and chair of the Education Committee since 2016 for the Arkansas Chapter. She served as member of the Nominating Committee in 2017, member of the Education Committee in 2015, member of the Finance Committee from 2013-14, president in 2013, secretary from 2011-12, treasurer from 2009-12, chair of the Finance Committee from 2009-12, alternate regional representative in 2011 and 2009 and chair of the Public Relations Committee in 2002 for the Arkansas Chapter. She is a member of the national University Relations Panel and attendee of the Leadership Development and Advisory Council conference in 2018. She has served on the Admissions and Designation Qualifications Committee since 2016. She also served as a member, at large, of the Diversity Committee from 2011-14 and a member of the Regional Operations Project Team.

Shell joined the Appraisal Institute in 1992, and received her SRA designation in 2008.

She is owner and appraiser of Lasley Appraisal and Valuation in Little Rock.
Shell is chair of the Arkansas Presbytery Future of the Church Committee and treasurer of Arkansas Orchid Society. She also volunteers for the Junior League of Little Rock.

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