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## **Boynton Beach's Philip Barlage Honored as Appraisal Institute's 'Volunteer of Distinction'**

CHICAGO (Dec. 4, 2013) – Philip L. Barlage, SRA, of Boynton Beach, Fla., was recognized today as the Appraisal Institute's December "Volunteer of Distinction" for Region X.

The Appraisal Institute is the nation's largest professional association of real estate appraisers; Region X consists of Florida, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. Barlage is a member of the South Florida Chapter.

"Philip Barlage is an outstanding representative for the Appraisal Institute," said Appraisal Institute President Richard L. Borges II, MAI, SRA. "We're proud to have individuals like Philip who continuously strive to advance the valuation profession while also serving their local communities."

Barlage served on the Appraisal Institute Board of Directors from 2000 to 2003. He was Region X chair in 2003 and vice chair in 2002. He was South Florida Chapter president in 2001, vice president in 1999, second vice president in 1998 and secretary in 1997. He has also served on many chapter and national committees. He joined the Appraisal Institute in 1982 and received his SRA designation in 1987.

Barlage has been supervisor at the Palm Beach County Property Appraiser's office in West Palm Beach, Fla., since 2005. He has been involved in the real estate valuation profession for 35 years. He attended Robert Morris Junior College in Carthage, Ill., and Parkland College in Champaign, Ill.

He is a delegate for the coalition of Boynton West Residential Association. He also volunteers with the Honda Classic's Nicklaus Children's Health Care Foundation, Kiwanis Club, Knights of Columbus and Boynton Beach Chamber of Commerce.

He is married with one child.

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