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Pasadena's Michael Mason Honored as Appraisal Institute's 'Volunteer of Distinction'

CHICAGO (Dec. 4, 2013) – D. Michael Mason, MAI, SRA, of Pasadena, Calif., 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. Mason is a member of the Southern California Chapter.

"Michael Mason 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 Michael who continuously strive to advance the valuation profession while also serving their local communities."

Mason was Southern California Chapter president in 1996, vice president in 1995 and treasurer and secretary in 1994, and also served on a variety of chapter committees. He joined the Appraisal Institute in 1979; he received his SRA designation in 1983 and his MAI designation in 1984. He is a third generation MAI.

Mason has been managing director of Overland, Pacific & Cutler, in Pasadena, since 2012. He has been involved in the real estate valuation profession for 34 years. He received a bachelor's degree in business administration with an emphasis in real estate from California State University in Los Angeles.

He serves as an elder and Sunday school director at Eagle Rock Baptist Church in Los Angeles.

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