Virginia REALTORS® Recognizes 2017 Award Winners

Richmond, Va. (October 4, 2017) – Virginia REALTORS® celebrates its 2017 Award recipients. The association conducted its annual awards ceremony in conjunction with the 2017 Annual Convention on Wednesday, October 4, at the Hotel Roanoke & Conference Center. The ceremony celebrates excellence in various areas of real estate including property management, brokerage, and other business achievements along with notable community contribution.

**Virginia REALTOR® of the Year:** Recognizes a REALTOR® who has made proven contributions to the real estate industry through both personal and professional achievement and outstanding volunteerism.

- Pat Sury – Charlottesville Area Association of REALTORS®

**Virginia REALTOR® Hall of Fame:** Honors Virginia REALTORS® who have made extraordinary and distinguished contributions to the real estate profession and markets in Virginia over a period of twenty five years or more. Induction to the Hall of Fame is considered Virginia REALTORS®’ principal career honor.

- Joe Carney – Virginia Peninsula Association of REALTORS®
- Lynn Grimsley – Virginia Peninsula Association of REALTORS®
- Pat Jensen – Charlottesville Area Association of REALTORS® (*This award was given posthumously.)

**Code of Ethics Leadership Award:** Honors a REALTOR® who exhibits knowledge of the REALTOR® Code of Ethics, arbitration and/or professional standards, and who shares such expertise unequivocally.

- Rives Bailey – Charlottesville Area Association of REALTORS®

**Virginia Manager of the Year, Sponsored by Pearl Insurance:** Presented to a broker/manager recognizing individual achievement over a ten-year period.

- Dawn Bradley – Richmond Association of REALTORS®
**George Rink Outstanding Real Estate Educator Award:** Recognizes the Virginia REALTOR® educator who has made the most significant contributions to and exemplified leadership and service in real estate education at either the state or local level.

Cindy Stackhouse – Prince William Association of REALTORS®

**Virginia Certified Residential Specialist of the Year:** Recognizes the Virginia Certified Residential Specialist chapter member who has made significant achievements to his/her local board, state association, community activities, and CRS chapter activities as a member.

Kim Atkinson – Richmond Association of REALTORS®

**Women's Council of REALTORS® State Member of the Year:** Presented to a REALTOR® who exemplifies leadership within local and state associations and who also contributes to the broader community.

Regina Scott – Virginia Peninsula Association of REALTORS®

**Virginia Housing Development Authority Service to Virginia Award:** Recognizes the Virginia REALTOR® who has made the most significant difference in promoting affordable homeownership to first-time homebuyers during the year or whose life work merits recognition and celebration of this issue.

Libby Gatewood – Richmond Association of REALTORS®

For headshots of award winners, please contact Robin Jedlicka at rjedlicka@virginiarealtors.org

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**About the Virginia REALTORS®**

The Virginia REALTORS® association (previously known as the Virginia Association of REALTORS®) is the largest professional trade association in the Virginia, representing over 33,000 REALTORS® engaged in the residential and commercial real estate business. The Virginia REALTORS® association serves as an advocate for homeownership and homeowners, and represents the interests of property owners in the Commonwealth of Virginia. For more information, visit www.virginiarealtors.org or follow Virginia REALTORS® on Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn.

NOTE: The term REALTOR® is a registered collective membership mark that identifies a real estate professional who is a member of the National Association of REALTORS® and subscribes to its strict Code of Ethics.