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Pictured: Drew and Laura Massey of Massey Timber, LLC

Drew Massey Named Mississippi Forestry Association's Outstanding Logger of the Year

Jackson, Miss. - Mississippi Forestry Association (MFA) is pleased to announce Drew Massey of Noxapater, as the 2018 Outstanding Logger of the Year. Massey was honored at the MFA President's Banquet on October 17 in Tupelo as part of the organization's Annual Meeting. The 250 banquet guests watched a video produced by *Farmweek* detailing Massey Timber, LLC, before the award was given. Massey was presented with a handmade wooden log truck, a monogrammed jacket and various other prizes donated by clients and equipment dealers.

Mary Lundy Meruvia and Brad Joiner, both officers of the Neshoba County Forestry Association, nominated Massey for this honor. According to them, Massey has "the potential to have a long career in logging" and is "performing his work with utmost concern for safety of his employees, as well as care for the timberlands for longevity."

Massey is a fifth-generation logger and formed his own business in 2012. Massey is the company president and his wife Laura is the company bookkeeper. The Massey team includes a company foreman/mechanic, a feller buncher operator, two skidder operators, two loader operators, and five truck drivers.

Mississippi Forestry Association's vision is to serve as the "Voice of Forestry" in Mississippi. MFA's mission is leading diverse groups to promote landowner rights, environmental stewardship, member prosperity, and community

understanding. MFA members and staff work to accomplish the mission by conducting public affairs, communication, and education programs that will foster better understanding and appreciation of conservation, development, and use of forestland and resources. To learn more, visit www.msforestry.net.

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