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PLTA 97th Annual Convention Award Recipients!

King of Prussia, PA – The Pennsylvania Land Title Association held its annual convention in historic Gettysburg, Pennsylvania earlier this month and presented special awards to title professionals and a friend of the industry.

Philip S. Janny, CLTP, NTP was honored with the “Albert E. Pentecost Award” which is given annually to an individual who has made the greatest contribution to the association during the preceding year. Mr. Janny’s service to the title industry has been lengthy. He served as President of the Pennsylvania Land Title Association from 2011-2012, Chair of the Lehigh Valley Chapter of the PLTA, and served on many committees, currently serving on the On-Line Notary Ad Hoc Committee, the Predictable Recording Fees Ad Hoc Committee, the Legislative/Judicial and Education Committees of the PLTA. He is also a member of the American Land Title Association where he currently serves on the Agents and Abstractors Research, Government Affairs Committee. In 2017, he was appointed to that association’s Online Notary Task Force.

Diana T. Sabol, CLTP was presented with the “James G. Schmidt Distinguished Service Award” which is given annually to that individual who has earned the recognition and respect of his/her peers for substantial service and contributions to the welfare of the land title industry. Over the years, Ms. Sabol has worked tirelessly through many committees of the PLTA to improve and strengthen the industry. After serving as Chairperson of the Planning Committee for 4 years and of the Convention Committee, she became an officer of our Association, eventually becoming its 2010-2011 President. She is currently the chair of the Southeastern Chapter of PLTA. She has also been an active member of the Association of Title Examiners for more than 20 years, serving as both its Vice President and President.

William “Bill” W. Rice, III has the special distinction of receiving an award created in his honor. The Pennsylvania Land Title Institute, the educational arm of PLTA, created the “Rice Award for Excellence in Education” in recognition of his many contributions to the institute. It also commemorates the 40th anniversary of the Pennsylvania Land Title Institute. Mr. Rice has the additional distinction of being the first title agent to be President of the Pennsylvania Land Title Association in 1994. In 1978 he helped found the Pennsylvania Land Title Institute and he continues to this day to serve as a Trustee of the Institute.

Sandra Kirk, retired Analyst Manager from the Pennsylvania Department of Revenue for her contribution and betterment of the industry. She was awarded the “Ronald W. Froggatt Friend of the Industry Award” at the PLTA Ice Breaker event on Sunday, June 4, 2018 which was held at the Gettysburg Museum and Visitors Center.

PLTA is the trade association for the title insurance industry in Pennsylvania. PLTA represents the title agents and agencies, title insurance underwriters, real estate attorneys and other real estate professionals throughout the state. Its members are knowledgeable, dedicated professionals in the title industry who are the best resource to protect property rights.

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