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**For Immediate Release**

## **Tuscaloosa, Ala., Resident Receives National Title Professional Designation from the American Land Title Association**

**Washington, D.C., June 7, 2016** — Joseph E. Powell has been awarded a [National Title Professional](#) (NTP) designation from the [American Land Title Association](#) (ALTA), the national trade association of the land title insurance industry. Powell is the first NTP designee from Alabama and joins more than 60 other industry leaders from around the United States who have earned the professional designation.

The designation recognizes land title professionals who demonstrate the knowledge, experience and dedication essential to the safe and efficient transfer of real property.\*

“Joe’s dedication and enthusiasm for the land title industry makes him the ideal National Title Professional,” said ALTA President John M. Hollenbeck NTP. “His knowledge and experience is an asset to our entire industry. I encourage other Alabama land title insurance professionals to follow Joe’s lead and apply for this designation.”

Powell is area counsel for Fidelity National Title Group in Birmingham, Ala. With more than 18 years of industry experience, Powell is a frequent speaker for ALTA, the Dixie Land Title Association (DLTA) and state bar associations. He is a member of ALTA’s Liaison Committee with the National Association of Insurance Commissioners and State Legislative/Regulatory Action Committee and is active on the DLTA Government Affairs and Social Media committees. Powell is also a member of the Alabama Department of Insurance Title Industry Advisory Committee, the Leadership Council of the Alabama Center for Real Estate and other professional organizations.

A full directory of National Title Professionals is available [here](#).

The designation has several elements, including industry and compliance prerequisites and training requirements. To apply for the NTP designation and for more information, please visit [ALTA's NTP website](#).

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### **About ALTA**

The [American Land Title Association](#), founded in 1907, is the national trade association representing 6,000 title insurance companies, title and settlement agents, independent abstractors, title searchers, and real estate attorneys. With offices throughout the United States, ALTA members conduct title searches, examinations, closings, and issue title insurance that protects real property owners and mortgage lenders against losses from defects in titles.

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\*Designation under the National Title Professional Program solely demonstrates that a land title professional has met the particular standards and criteria of the National Title Professional Program. Neither the American Land Title Association, nor the designation itself, guarantees or warrants anything beyond a designee's ability to meet such standards or criteria. The American Land Title Association makes no representations, warranties, or guarantees as to, and assumes no responsibility for, the proper performance of land title services, including but not limited to the transfer of real property, or related services provided by designees.