## **ALTA Press Release**

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## ALTA Announces Direct iT as an Elite Provider

**Washington, D.C., April 25, 2019** — The <u>American Land Title Association</u> (ALTA), the national trade association of the land title insurance industry, has announced that <u>Direct iT</u> has been named an ALTA Elite Provider.

ALTA's <u>Elite Provider Program</u> features distinguished service providers committed to furnishing extensive benefits to the title insurance and settlement services industry. Elite Providers promote the highest industry standards and provide effective solutions for ALTA members' critical needs.

"Direct iT has shown their dedication to excellence by becoming a part of the ALTA Elite Provider Program," said Cornelia Horner, ALTA's interim chief executive officer. "In the current changing market place, it is important ALTA connects its members with as many quality, high-caliber service providers as possible. The Elite Provider Program calls for our premiere providers to complete a comprehensive application process, which includes providing ALTA member recommendations as well as financial statements. This extensive system proves Elite Providers, like Direct iT, can add value to our members and make their jobs a little easier."

Direct iT has been providing network security and IT support services for the closing and settlement industry since 2004. The company simplifies large, enterprise-grade security solutions for small business needs and budgets. Proficient in lender-audit compliance, TILA/RESPA and state data security laws, Direct iT also features expertise in wire fraud and identity theft. The company recently launched a dark web, security and training bundle that integrates dark web monitoring, email phishing simulations and employee training videos and quizzes.

"ALTA's Best Practices have played a huge part in helping our clients navigate the changing requirements of the settlement services industry," said David Javaheri, president and CEO of Direct iT. "It's a huge honor for Direct iT to be included in ALTA's exclusive group of Elite Providers. Direct iT is constantly developing new programs to help our clients stay secure, and we are very excited to get the chance to help more ALTA members with our programs in the future."

<u>Direct iT</u> offers free network security and wire-fraud awareness training for ALTA members. The company will demonstrate how cybercriminals are using the dark web to target real estate transactions and review the security best practices businesses need to utilize to stay safe. Additionally, ALTA members who decide to use Direct iT's services receive one month free.

For more information about the program or to apply, please visit <u>www.alta.org/elite</u>.

## About ALTA

The <u>American Land Title Association</u>, founded in 1907, is the national trade association representing more than 6,300 insurance companies, title and settlement agents, independent abstracters, 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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