

# ALTA NEWS

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## For Immediate Release

### American Land Title Association Names Rob Chapman as President

**Washington, D.C., October 26, 2013** — The American Land Title Association (ALTA), the national trade association of the land title insurance industry, announced that veteran industry professional Rob Chapman has been named president for the 2013-2014 year.

“Our association represents more than 4,700 land title companies across the United States and I am honored to represent each of them this year,” said Chapman, ALTA president and chief information officer for Old Republic National Title Insurance Company. “We have many new opportunities headed our way as the industry works on ALTA’s ‘Title Insurance and Settlement Company Best Practices’ and implements new mortgage disclosure rules that will soon be announced by the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau. It’s an exciting time to lead such a vibrant and enthusiastic organization.”

The 11-member ALTA Board of Governors is responsible for creating association policy, managing the financial health of the association and ensuring the overall welfare of the association. In spearheading Old Republic’s technology initiatives, Chapman’s efforts have led to a corporate posture that realizes the importance of utilizing cutting-edge tools. Under his supervision, the company stays abreast of technological changes and improvements, which are utilized in the further development of and maintenance to Intranet and Internet platforms. As CIO, Chapman is responsible for Information Services employees, who provide support and services in nearly 350 company locations.

“Rob’s technology background will be a great asset over the next year as the industry implements Best Practices and prepares for new mortgage disclosures,” said Michelle Korsmo, ALTA’s chief executive officer. “The association is in good hands as we work to enhance communication with consumers and industry partners, while helping to ensure a positive and compliant real estate settlement experience with all parties involved in the process.”

Over the years, Chapman has become a frequent speaker at title and technology forums and is a regular contributor to publications and seminars throughout the land title industry. Chapman and his wife, Nancy, reside in Ham Lake, Minn., a northern suburb of Minneapolis.

Members of ALTA’s 2013-2014 Board of Governors are:

- **President:** Rob Chapman (Minneapolis, Minnesota)
- **President-Elect:** Diane Evans (Denver, Colorado)
- **Treasurer:** Peter Birnbaum (Chicago, Illinois)
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- **Agents Section Representative:** Brian Pitman (Austin, Texas)
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- **Underwriters Section Representative:** Steven Day (Jacksonville, Florida)
- **Underwriters Section Representative:** Stewart Morris Jr. (Houston, Texas)
- **Immediate Past President:** Frank Pellegrini (Oak Park, Illinois)

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### **About ALTA**

The American Land Title Association, founded in 1907, is a national trade association representing more than 4,700 title insurance companies, title agents, independent abstracters, title searchers, and attorneys. 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.