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American Land Title Association Announces National Title Professional Designations

Washington, D.C., May 7, 2013 — The <u>American Land Title Association</u> (ALTA), the national trade association of the land title insurance industry, awarded three National Title Professional (NTP) designations today during its Federal Conference in Washington, D.C.

The professional designation was received by Marianne Mathieu of Fidelity National Title Group in Mineola, New York; Sarah Sutton of Fidelity National Title Group in Cleveland, Ohio; and David Townsend of Agents National Title Insurance Company in Columbia, Missouri.

"I congratulate this extremely talented group of land title insurance industry professionals," said ALTA president Frank Pellegrini. "Their experience, dedication and knowledge is more than deserving of this prestigious designation. I appreciate their hard work and encourage all members of the land title industry to apply for the NTP designation today."

The <u>National Title Professional (NTP)</u> designation recognizes land title professionals who demonstrate the knowledge, experience and dedication essential to the safe and efficient transfer of real property.*

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 the <u>ALTA's NTP</u> <u>website</u>.

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About ALTA

The <u>American Land Title Association</u>, founded in 1907, is the national trade association representing nearly 4,300 title insurance companies, title agents, independent abstracters, title searchers, and 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.

*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 has 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.