Special Award

Nomination Form

Please attach this form to your one-page nomination for a Special Award. This award will be presented to the member(s) or group(s) who/which has made an extraordinary contribution to AAPL, the land profession, the industry, or the community. May include but is not limited to:

* **Other –** may be presented to a member who has achieved unusual distinction or contributed significantly the betterment of land professionals in any other way deemed worthy of recognition.

NAME OF NOMINEE: **Josh Gautreau** LOCAL ASSOCIATION AFFILIATION: **Houston Association of Professional Landmen**

NOMINATED BY: Houston Association of Professional Landmen

AAPL 2020 Special Award - Other – Action in a Crisis

Josh Gautreau, CPL, JD

Josh Gautreau graduated with his BBA and MBA from the University of St. Thomas in Houston and went on to obtain his Doctor of Jurisprudence from the University of Houston Law School in 2011. He joined Chevron U.S.A. Inc. in 2010 and has held roles of increasing responsibility. Josh is currently the Land Manager over New Mexico and East Texas Asset Development. Josh earned his CPL in 2019, is an active member of HAPL and AAPL, and is currently serving as Assistant Chairman on the AAPL Technology Committee.

When the initial stages of COVID sent Houston workers home and medical workers scrambling for protective equipment, Josh’s sister, who is an OB-GYN in Houston, asked if he could figure out a way to help. The next day Josh purchased a 3-D printer and taught himself how to print and construct face shields. He utilized social media to raise funds and quickly doubled his original $500 goal. With the assistance of his wife Beckie, and three pre-teen daughters, they produced, sewed, and distributed more than 1,000 masks in the first two months. Josh joined forces with other individuals in Houston to form the group “Houston Helpers Taking on Covid-19” which has donated more than 4,000 face shields in addition to raising funds and providing other resources to Houston area medical and emergency personnel.