Pioneer Award

Please attach this form to your one page nomination for AAPL Pioneer Award summarizing:

**1) Significant impact to the land profession with a distinct contribution; 2) Only one award per year to be presented; 3) No regional awards; 4) No minimum age or work requirement; 5) could be posthumously; 6) Open to groups or companies, not just individuals. (Can be non-members)** To be presented to an individual, group or company who at any time has significantly impacted the land profession with a fundamentally distinct contribution. Current Executive Committee members may not be submitted, and self- nominations will not be considered.

NAME OF NOMINEE/COMPANY/GROUP: **Charles (Charlie) H. Odom** LOCAL ASSOCIATION AFFILIATION: **Houston Association of Professional Landmen**

**AAPL 2023 Pioneer Award**

**Charles (Charlie) H. Odom**

With over 35 years in the Energy, Oil and Gas, and Investment industries, Charlie Odom has been engaged in Mergers and Acquisitions, Transactions, regulatory and risk management, oil and gas production and transportation, and strategic direction for investors and companies in US onshore, offshore and international energy industries. He currently serves as Sr. Vice President Corporate Development for Sequitur Energy Resources LLC overseeing strategic investment, partner relations, risk management and as a co-owner, investment decisions over the course of the growth of the company. His prior experience includes a number of companies domestic and international, including Vice President Offshore Mariner Energy, sold to Apache Corp in 2010; Santos US, an Australian based company invested in the US; Co-Founder and officer of Gryphon Exploration, sold to Woodside in 2005; President and Co-Founder of White Bay Energy, an independent Energy Company in the US; President and owner of C. H. Odom Consulting providing investment advice and transactional direction to large and small Energy Companies and Family offices in Energy; experience with Global Marine, Transco and Sandefer Offshore in exploration domestically and internationally.

Mr. Odom is a member of Houston Association of Professional Landmen, The Independent Petroleum Association of America, TIPRO, and various other associations in the Energy sector. He is a proud graduate of the University of Texas McCombs School of Business.

In the early 1990's the HAPL socials consisted of 4 or 5 longtime HAPL members getting together with an occasional one or two more people at Café Adobe near downtown Houston. The “regulars” began to complain that they were not going again because it was the same handful of people getting together every time. Charlie had the pioneering idea of re-imaging socials with specific names like South Texas, Permian, Louisiana, etc.  The first named social was held around 1995 at a Mexican Restaurant on the corner of Westheimer and Gessner and was an overnight success with more than 90 landmen attending. Thus, the start of HAPL named socials!

As of 2023, thanks to Charlie’s pioneer vision, HAPL hosts up to 15 named social and networking events each year including Bridging the Gap; Executive Night; Annual Gala; Gulf Coast, Louisiana, Permian, Rockies, South Texas, Offshore Socials; Spring Swing Membership Drive; Women’s Fall and Spring Networking Social; and Saltwater Fishing, Golf and Skeet Shoot Tournaments.

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