December 31, 2024

AAPL Nomination

I would like to recommend Russell S. Shinevar for a Landman of the Year award. I have known Russ Shinevar since mid-1990’s. Russ has been very active in our local Michigan Association of Professional Landmen. He has brought many new members to the association, encouraged members to attend meetings so they stay current with Michigan law, rules and regulations. He has trained many landmen himself. He encourages all our members to become AAPL members as well. While not every MAPL member becomes an AAPL member, Russ keeps talking to them about the benefits of AAPL.

Russ keeps all MAPL members posted about what is happening with AAPL and he brings AAPL to Michigan for seminars and encouragement to Michigan Landmen. He reports to the MAPL members important information that he learns when attending AAPL Board of Directors meetings.

Russ upholds the strongest ethical standards and represents Landmen in a positive light with landowners. I know mineral owners and landowners who have respect for Russ Shinevar. Russ represents his clients well too. He is loyal and hardworking for his clients. He is an amazing lease buyer, he can buy right-of-ways, stake well locations, run title, settle surface damages. He is a great landman.

Russ has served AAPL and MAPL for many years. He deserves to be recognized for his lifetime achievements.

It is difficult for a landman of a small association to outshine landmen in some of the larger associations, but Russ deserves to be Landman of the year. He has brought many landmen to this profession and AAPL. He is highly respected in the Michigan oil and gas industry. He has a reputation as one of the best landmen in Michigan.

Sincerely,

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