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David Charron Named First Recipient of the Inaugural Peter Shuttleworth MLS Executive Award Of Excellence

Morrisville, N.C. — The Council of Multiple Listing Services (CMLS) named David Charron, president and chief executive officer of MRIS, the first recipient of the inaugural Peter Shuttleworth MLS Executive Award of Excellence. The award was introduced by Shelley Specchio, president of CMLS and CEO of the Northern Nevada Regional MLS, and presented by Peter Shuttleworth at the National Association of REALTORS Annual Conference MLS Executives Session on Friday, November 13, 2015.

The Peter Shuttleworth MLS Executive Award of Excellence is an annual award that recognizes leaders who, through a rigorous nomination and review process, are determined to have observed the highest qualities of leadership within their organizations and demonstrated a dedication to excellence by making substantial contributions to the MLS industry.

“The excellence of executive leadership in the MLS industry cannot be overstated. It is through the vision of our leaders and their courage to forward that vision that promotes and protects the fluid, accurate, dependable MLS trading platform that supports a vibrant marketplace, the success of our members and the dream of homeownership,” said Specchio. “David Charron embodies the excellence we all strive to achieve as leaders, and CMLS is proud to recognize his contributions to the industry.”

Charron originally brought a diverse background in real estate, information systems, and Internet business solutions to MRIS, one of the nation’s largest MLS systems, in 2001. Since, he rose to become an influential and instrumental leader in real estate, frequently being called upon as a keynote speaker and panelist for industry events and as a contributor to the Washington Post and other prominent publications.

In addition to providing keen insight and commentary, Charron was recently elected to serve on the board of directors for CMLS and as a strategic director on Midwest Real Estate Data’s (MRED) Board of Managers. He has held several other respected positions over the years, including as a board member of REALTORS Federal Credit Union; member of the National Association of REALTORS MLS Policy Committee; and founder of COVE, an industry think tank comprised of large MLS organizations. He also currently serves as chairman of the MRIS Investment Committee.

Charron has been well recognized as an industry leader. Inman News named him one of the “Most Influential People in Real Estate” nine consecutive times. His name has consistently appeared on the Swanepoel Power 200 list. He was previously named one of the “Top Ten Newsmakers” by the Swanepoel Trends Report. And he was identified as one of the “Most Influential Marylanders” in 2014 by The Daily Record for his contributions to real estate.

In 2012, the National Association of REALTORS inducted Charron into the Dr. Almon R. (Bud) Smith, RCE, AE Leadership Society, a prestigious honor for an MLS executive as it is typically awarded to association executives. He was also selected “Volunteer of the Year” by the National Eating Disorders Association, which provides education and awareness to individuals and families suffering from eating disorders.



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Charron was selected to be the first recipient of the Peter Shuttleworth MLS Executive Award of Excellence because he exemplifies everything the best MLS executives strive to achieve.

The award itself is named after Peter Shuttleworth, former executive vice president of Metro MLS and the first CMLS Hall of Fame inductee. Shuttleworth built one of the first truly effective regional MLSs in the United States by bringing brokers, REALTORS, and REALTOR associations together around the idea that data can be shared without borders. Under his leadership, he partnered with Wisconsin MLS providers to create a statewide data share that continues to promote cooperation among real estate practitioners today.

In addition to the contributions he made to the Greater Milwaukee area and Wisconsin, Shuttleworth served on the board of directors and as president of CMLS for many years. He also served on many work groups and committees for the National Association of REALTORS. In 2003, he hosted the annual CMLS conference in Milwaukee.

About CMLS

CMLS is the professional trade organization that serves to better the MLS community in North America through unified leadership, collaboration, and education across the real estate industry. It was formed as a premier forum, advocate and resource in 1957 and has since evolved into a volunteer-led organization that is responsible for the advancement of MLS through education, innovation, and the implementation of best practices, industry standards, and next generation solutions in support of 178 MLS providers with over one million subscribers.

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