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## **RealtySouth's Jim Dye Receives Robert Jemison Award**

**Birmingham (January 23, 2014)** – The Alabama Association of REALTORS® (AAR) recently awarded RealtySouth Senior Vice President Jim Dye with the Robert Jemison Award.

The Robert Jemison Award is given in honor of Robert Jemison Jr., the first Alabama REALTOR® to serve as president of the National Association of REALTORS® in 1926. It recognizes the long and valued association service of REALTORS® or REALTOR ASSOCIATES® for a minimum of fifteen years to the Alabama Association of REALTORS® and their local board, and who have never served as AAR President, President-elect, Treasurer or Secretary.

Jim Dye has been a licensed REALTOR® for 37 years. In his role as Senior Vice President at RealtySouth, he supports hundreds of agents and brokers in branches throughout Alabama. For over 20 of his 37 years in the industry, he oversaw the company's lawsuits. He has written a continuing education course on the topic of risk management, which contains principles that have helped modify practices in many Birmingham real estate offices.

Dye served as President of the Birmingham Association of REALTORS® in 2009, chaired the National Association of REALTORS® (NAR) risk management committee, the AAR PAC and other committees and was named Alabama REALTOR® of the Year in 2010. He has served as director at all three association levels.

RealtySouth CEO, Ty Dodge, says Association members like Dye inspire all of us to better serve the public, our communities, and each other. "We, at RealtySouth and First Realty, are so proud of Jim for earning the Robert Jemison Award! That is a huge confirmation not only of Jim's dedication to the Birmingham and Alabama Associations of REALTORS®, but also of his commitment to the real estate industry," Dodge added.

Marilyn Seier, RealtySouth REALTOR® and 2011 recipient of the Robert Jemison Award, points out the enormous amount of time that Dye has spent sharing his knowledge and talents with the local, state and national Associations. "No one is more deserving of this award," she stated.

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