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Dear John

On behalf of State Council and members of The Tax Institute, I sincerely thank you for your contribution to the Institute and State Council over many years.

Your dedication to the Institute has been without question, exceptional. You have always encouraged us to consider all issues thoroughly and continually put yourself in the members' position with every decision made.

Your contribution to the Institute in this State has been nothing short of outstanding. Your impressive list of credits include being a member of State Council for ten years from 2004-2014 including State Chairman in 2013; a member of the State Membership Committee for seventeen years from 1996-2013 including Chair for an incredible seven years from 2002-2009; and on a national level you have been on the National Membership Committee for six years from 2007-2013. Amazing!

Your passion for the Tax Institute and the value you place on being a Member has greatly influenced the outcomes of the Membership Committee. You were instrumental in getting the Young Tax Professional events off the ground in 2006 — events that have successfully grown since their inception and provided an introduction to the Tax Institute for many a young accountant or lawyer. In your quiet and unassuming manner, you played an integral part in mentoring the membership committee members, ensuring that this committee continues to be a vibrant and important function in this State into the future.

The Tax Institute has changed enormously over your time on Institute committees, and this positive change has been as a result of the dedication of members like yourself who are prepared to commit the voluntary time and effort that you have, which has been greatly appreciated.

Again, thank you for your contribution John and we look forward to your continuing involvement with Institute activities.

Kind regards

Paul Tanti

**SA STATE CHAIR** 

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