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**Whatley Named Award Recipient**

Thomas Whatley, REALTOR from Las Cruces, is the 2014 recipient of the REALTORS Association of New Mexico's (RANM) Peggy Comeau Leadership Award.

Whatley received this award during ceremonies at the RANM Annual Conference and New Mexico Housing Summit. Thursday, August 21<sup>st</sup>. The banquet was held at the Hyatt Regency Albuquerque.

The RANM Peggy Comeau Leadership Award was established in honor of former RANM Executive Vice President Peggy Comeau. It is given to a member who has never served as RANM President or been honored as RANM REALTOR of the Year, to recognize his/her loyalty and selfless contributions to the REALTORS Association of New Mexico.

Whatley earned his New Mexico real estate license in 2006 and three short years later joined RANM's Legislative Committee. He has been a RANM volunteer ever since!

RANM's Legislative, Bylaws, and Issues Advocacy Fund Committees, as well as RANM's RPAC-NM Trustees, have benefited from Whatley's leadership. Tom has served three terms as RPAC-NM Chair and has been a Sterling R RPAC investor for the last four years. Whatley is currently serving as the New Mexico representative on the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS' RPAC Participation Council.

RANM is especially proud to be able to honor volunteers such as Tom Whatley for their tireless support of the REALTOR organization.

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