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## Local REALTORS® Named 2016 Award Winners by Weichert Real Estate Affiliates, Inc.

HICKORY, N.C. / April 6, 2017 – WEICHERT, REALTORS® - Team Metro, located in Hickory, is proud to announce their 2016 Office Award Winners. The agents were honored by the national franchise organization, Weichert Real Estate Affiliates, Inc., based on reaching minimum requirements in gross commission income earned or real estate transactions closed in 2016.

These Weichert® affiliated agents earned their recognition from among associates in 39 states at the year's end: Debby Bullock-Benfield (President's Club); Jay Brown (President's Club); Jennifer Clark (President's Club); Marty Pennell (President's Club); Rob Taylor (President's Club); Crystal Gragg (Executive Club); Tonya Greene (Executive Club); Celli Mellert (Sales Achievement); Jan Hendrix (Sales Achievement); and Myra Marshall (Sales Achievement).

"Our affiliates accomplished so much last year," said Bill Scavone, president and chief operating officer of Weichert Real Estate Affiliates, Inc. "We are extremely fortunate to have such knowledgeable, dedicated and tireless REALTORS."

The 2016 Office Award winners are part of a team of knowledgeable agents at WEICHERT, REALTORS® - Team Metro, which brings many years of combined experience to its clients. The office is an independently owned and operated Weichert affiliate serving Hickory, Long View, St. Stephens and surrounding areas.

For more information about WEICHERT, REALTORS® - Team Metro, located at 1144 Lenoir Rhyne Boulevard SE in Hickory, call 828-304-1000 or visit [www.teammetro.net](http://www.teammetro.net).

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Agents at WEICHERT, REALTORS® - Team Metro pictured showing off the awards earned for their 2016 sales production.

**About Weichert Real Estate Affiliates, Inc.:** Weichert Real Estate Affiliates, Inc. has grown steadily since Jim Weichert, president, chairman and CEO of Weichert, Realtors, launched the company's franchise division in 2001. The affiliate division was created to offer a business model for franchisee ownership candidates described as "a clearly defined operating system for marketing and managing a real estate business." Weichert Real Estate Affiliates, Inc. announced its first affiliate in 2002, was ranked as one the top traditional residential real estate franchises in *Entrepreneur's* 2017 Franchise 500 and is identified in 2017 by *Franchise Business Review* as one the top U.S. franchises. Weichert Real Estate Affiliates, Inc. has offices serving over 300 markets in 39 states. For more information about Weichert, visit [Weichert.com](http://Weichert.com) or for information on franchise opportunities visit [WeichertFranchise.com](http://WeichertFranchise.com).

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