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Jewelry Information Centers Honors Eight Former Chairs

New York, NY – Jewelry Information Center honored eight of their highly distinguished former chairs in recognition for their years of dedicated service to the organization. The honored chairs, beginning in 1980, served to help increase industry awareness for the organization, increase membership, and assist with the mission of JIC that is in part to help stimulate consumer desire for fine jewelry products by the use of creative and timely promotions.

Jewelry Information Center honored the following chairs: James C. Clark, B.C. Clark, 1980-1983; Mickey Low, B.F. Hirsch, 1984-1987; Ralph Destino, Cartier (currently with Gemological Institute of America,) 1992-1994; Laurence Grunstein, Citizen Watch Co. of America, 1995-1996; Gary Gordon, Samuel Gordon Jewelers, 1996-1998; Steven Kaiser, Kaiser Time Inc., 1999-2003; John Green, Lux Bond & Green, 2003-2006; and Myriam Gumuchian, Gumuchian, 2006-2008.

Each Chair received a pair of custom engraved marble bookends to commemorate their years of dedicated service at Jewelry Information Center. “It is my true honor and privilege to serve in the same position as the great men and woman who have led the organization in the past,” said current Jewelry Information Center Chair, David Bouffard. Bouffard continued, “Their important contributions to the growth and achievements of JIC are inspiring. On behalf of the entire Board, it is with great pride and pleasure that we congratulate and thank each for their leadership. .”

Jewelry Information Center (JIC) provides public relations and marketing services on behalf of the fine jewelry and watch industry. Founded as a non-profit trade association in 1946, JIC is funded by its sponsors and members (manufacturers, designers, and retailers as well as magazines, media companies, and other trade associations) and is considered to be the objective authority on fine jewelry and watches. Membership and sponsorship support provides funding for JIC’s projects in areas like market research, support services for retailers and designers, and public relations activities nationwide. More information about JIC and its services can be found at the association’s website, www.jic.org, by contacting JIC at 646-658-0240, or via e-mail at info@jic.org.

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Jewelers of America's Matt Runci honors Ralph Destino for his years of committed service as Chair of Jewelry Information Center