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David T. Boddie, Elections Official for Tulsa County Election Board in Oklahoma is designated as a Certified Elections/Registration Administrator (CERA) the nation's highest professional achievement for election officials.

CERA designation is achieved only through a multi-year course of study taught by the Auburn University's Master in Public Administration (MPA) faculty, Auburn, Alabama and conducted by the Election Center's Professional Education Program. The intent of the program is to professionalize the management of voter registration and elections administration in promoting and preserving public trust in the democratic process. Similarly, CERV status is designation for election company vendors.

"This is the highest designation available to elections and voter registration officials," said Tim Mattice, director of the Center. This graduating class of 60 election professionals from over 30 states and territories totals over 1,000 election officials and election vendors who have achieved the CERA/CERV status. This is an outstanding accomplishment."

"Tulsa County is indeed fortunate to have David T. Boddie as one of the top designated professionals in America. Boddie is currently the only active elections official in Oklahoma to have attained CERA status. Obtaining and maintaining CERA status means that he has committed to a career long process of continuing education to improve the electoral process in Oklahoma and the nation," Mattice stated.

The Professional Education Program is sponsored by the Election Center, a non-profit association of voter registrars and elections administrators throughout America and the U.S Territories. membership is comprised of township, city, county and state elections officials and other election The Center's primary purpose is to promote and support continuous related organizations. improvement in the administration of elections and voter registration through research, professional education, conferences, networking and consulting. Professional Education Program participants receive continuing education credit from Auburn University as well as professional training credits from the Election Center.

Boddie worked as an election official in Detroit Michigan, Fairfax County Virginia and most recently Tulsa County. Previously he served as Deputy White House Liaison for the Republican National Committee. For the RNC Marshals Program Boddie managed GOTV campaigns in Connecticut, Georgia, Michigan, and Ohio. And worked on campaigns of 30 states. Boddie founded Federal Allies Institute at Fort Myer, Virginia in January 2008. Boddie worked for four chambers of commerce in three states including the Tulsa Regional Chamber of Commerce where he established a 2,800 company Small Business Council and Co-Chaired the 1986 Oklahoma White House Conference on Small Business. Boddie is also a graduate of OSU and George Washington University.