

Media Release

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National Award Bestowed on Industry Great

Harry Triguboff AO, one of Australia's most eminent property developers, was presented with the illustrious *Urban Development Institute of Australia (UDIA) Allen Vogan Distinguished Service Award* at the *UDIA Calibre Consulting National Awards for Excellence* last night in Sydney.

"Mr Triguboff has demonstrated extraordinary commitment to the Australian development industry," said Cameron Shephard, UDIA National President.

"Since establishing Meriton in 1963, at the age of 30, Mr Triguboff has worked tirelessly to transform his company into the country's largest apartment developer, providing more than 65,000 apartments to Australians.

"It was because of this dedication to the building and construction industry, as well as his charitable efforts, that Mr Triguboff received the Order of Australia Medal."

Mr Triguboff has generously donated millions of dollars to numerous causes with particular attention paid to education, sports, human rights and health.

"Mr Triguboff is an inspirational individual and I congratulate him on receiving the prestigious *UDIA Allen Vogan Distinguished Service Award*," said Mr Shephard.

The *UDIA Allen Vogan Distinguished Service Award* is bestowed on individuals who have shown exceptional long-time commitment and dedication to the Australian development Industry.

Harry Triguboff AO was born in China to Russian Jewish parents. He came out to Australia in 1948 and attended school in Sydney, then university in England before eventually returning to Australia in 1960 after working in textiles.

On his return, Mr Triguboff operated a milk-run and taxi business. Then at age 30, he turned his attention to development and built his first block of apartments in Tempe.

Now his company has a development pipeline of 15,000 apartments and is worth more than \$7.5 billion.

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