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## PRESS RELEASE

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**Merrillville, Ind. (Oct. 18, 2012):** White Lodging Services is pleased to announce the JW Marriott Indianapolis has been named a Platinum Choice Award winner for 2012 by *Smart Meetings* magazine.

"I'm so proud of our associates and their commitment to make every meeting we host special and memorable for our groups," said General Manager Scott Blalock. "We are honored that meeting planners have selected us for this award."

In its ninth year, the award recognizes excellence in service and amenities among meeting facilities in the U.S., Canada, Mexico and the Caribbean. The magazine selects the winners when hotels set exemplary standards in a variety of categories including ambience, amenities, breadth of resources, facility quality, guest services, meeting space, meeting packages, recreational activities, restaurant and dining facilities, staff attitude and technical support. Winners are chosen by readers of the magazine.

"This year's winners exceeded expectations and exemplified positive, professional standards that reflect a true commitment to the meetings industry," said Marin Bright, founder and publisher. "We want to reward industry leaders, innovators and top service providers that make a real difference for planners and attendees."

The elite group of honorees will be celebrated in the December issue of *Smart Meetings* magazine and on the magazine's website, smartmeetings.com.

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The JW Marriott Indianapolis offers more than 1,000 guest rooms in a 33-story tower, and more than 100,000 square feet of onsite function space. The hotel is connected by a sky-bridge to the Indiana Convention Center and has two, onsite, distinctive dining options, a full-service Starbucks, a state-of-the-art fitness center, an indoor pool and a multi-million dollar public art plaza.

The hotel has also been recognized by the America's Lodging Investment Summit as the "Development of the Year" for 2011 and received Marriott International's "Full Service Opening of the Year." It has also been recognized as a Gold Key Award Winner 2012 by Meetings & Conventions Magazine.

White Lodging Services Corporation - was established in 1985 and is headquartered in Merrillville, Ind. White Lodging is a fully integrated hotel ownership, development and operations company – a recognized leader that has defined and cultivated the ability to achieve consistent, sustainable growth among mid-to large-scale hotels across the country. Its current portfolio consists of more than 159 hotels in 20 states and encompasses representation of the following leading brands: Preferred Hotels, Marriott International, Inc., Hilton Worldwide, Hyatt Global, Starwood Hotels and Resorts, InterContinental Hotel Group and Carlson Hotels Worldwide.

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