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REALTOR® Membership Application Packet

Dear Prospective Member:

Thank you for your interest in becoming a member of the Fayette County Board of REALTORS® (FCBR). This packet contains all the forms you'll need to apply for REALTOR® membership. Board Membership is predicated on an agent placing their license with a REALTOR® company and joining within 30 days.

Please read this application carefully. Your signature implies your agreement to abide by the REALTOR® Code of Ethics and Arbitration/Mediation requirements. The enclosed materials outline the services, benefits and responsibilities of your Board membership.

Upon joining FCBR, you automatically become a member of the Georgia Association of REALTORS® (GAR) and the National Association of REALTORS® (NAR) and a portion of your dues will be forwarded to them (see attached chart on page 4).

Please be aware of the preliminary requirements you **MUST** fulfill in order to be granted REALTOR status and receive uninterrupted Board benefits. The New Member Orientation (**NMO**) and Code of Ethics (**COE**) class provides the vital information and mechanisms you will need to fully utilize your membership and must be completed within 6 months.

Along with your application, be sure to include **a copy of your GREC pocket card** in order to verify your status with the commission and the date you joined your firm.

Once your application is received and processed, you will be emailed a welcome letter and payment receipt. This will include the date you are scheduled to attend New Member Orientation (2.5 hours). You will need to complete a 3 hour **Code of Ethics** class and provide proof of completion to the Board office before you attend New Member Orientation. There are **ONLY 4** New Member Orientation classes scheduled for 2021 (**Jan 28, Apr 22, Jul 29, Nov 18**), please be sure you are able to attend one within your 6 month timeframe!

If you need additional information or have any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

Thank you,

Jonnie Phillips, Association Executive
Fayette County Board of REALTORS



REALTOR® is a registered collective membership mark which may only be used by real estate professionals who are members of the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS® and subscribe to its strict codes.

REALTOR® Membership Application

All parts of this application must be filled out before application can be processed.



1. YOUR INFORMATION

Licensed as: ☐ Broker ☐ Sales Person

Gender: ☐ Male ☐ Female

Full Name: _____

Home Address: _____

City, State and Zip: _____

Nickname: _____ Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

GREC License Number: _____ Date Joined Firm: _____

2. FIRM INFORMATION

Firm Name: _____ Phone: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City, State and Zip: _____

Preferred Mailing Address: ☐ Office ☐ Home Preferred Phone Number: ☐ Office ☐ Home ☐ Cell

3. OTHER INFORMATION

Are you presently a member of any other Board or Association of REALTORS? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, name of Board/Association: _____

Have you previously held membership in any other Association of REALTORS? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, name of Board/Association: _____

If you are now or have ever been a REALTOR, indicate your (NRDS) #: _____

and last date (year) of completion of NAR's Code of Ethics: _____

4. AGREEMENT AND CONSENT

I hereby certify that the foregoing information furnished by me is true and correct, and I agree that failure to provide complete and accurate information as requested, or any misstatement of fact, shall be grounds for revocation of my membership if granted. I further agree that, if accepted for membership in the Board, I shall pay the fees and dues as from time to time established.

By signing below I consent that the REALTOR Associations (local, state, national) and their subsidiaries, if any may contact me at the specified address, telephone numbers, fax numbers, email address or other means of communication available. This consent recognizes that certain state and federal laws may place limits on communications that I am waiving to receive all communications as part of my membership.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

5. PAYMENT METHOD

Please indicate preferred method of payment. If paying by check - please make out to FCBR.

☐ Check # _____ ☐ VISA ☐ Master Card ☐ American Express

Account Number _____ Exp. Date _____. I authorize FCBR to charge

my credit/debit card for \$ _____. Signature / Date: _____

REALTOR® Membership Agreement



To the **FAYETTE COUNTY BOARD OF REALTORS®**,

I hereby apply for REALTOR® Membership in the above named Board and am enclosing my check (or credit card information) in the amount of \$ _____ for my current **membership dues** payable to FAYETTE COUNTY BOARD OF REALTORS® and a copy of my GREC pocket-card.

My application fee and current dues will be returned to me in the event of non-election. In the event of my election, I agree to abide by the Code of Ethics of the National Association of REALTORS®, which includes the duty to arbitrate, and the Constitution, Bylaws and Rules and Regulations of the above named Board, the Georgia and the National Association, and if required, I further agree to satisfactorily complete a reasonable and non-discriminatory written examination on such Code, Constitutions, Bylaws and Rules and Regulations. I understand membership brings certain privileges and obligations that require compliance. Membership is final only upon approval by the Board of Directors and may be revoked should completion of requirements, such as orientation, not be completed within timeframe established in the board's bylaws. I understand that I will be required to complete periodic Code of Ethics training as specified in the board's bylaws as a continued condition of membership.

NOTE: *Applicant acknowledges that if accepted as a member and he/she subsequently resigns from the Board or otherwise causes membership to terminate with an ethics complaint pending, the Board of Directors may condition renewal of membership upon applicant's certification that he/she will submit to the pending ethics proceeding and will abide by the decision of the hearing panel. If applicant resigns or otherwise causes membership to terminate, the duty to submit to arbitration continues in effect even after membership lapses or is terminated, provided the dispute arose while applicant was a REALTOR®.*

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Acknowledgment of New Member Orientation Requirement

I, _____ acknowledge and agree that within **six (6) months from the time my application is received by the Fayette County Board of REALTORS**, I will attend the required Fayette County Board of REALTORS New Member Orientation and a Code of Ethics class.

I understand that I will receive no benefit of membership, including participation in the Circle of Achievement, until all membership requirements have been satisfied.

In the event that I fail to attend the New Member Orientation as set forth above, this application shall expire and all fees paid will be forfeited to the Fayette County Board of REALTORS and my broker notified of such action.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

2021 Pro-Rated Realtor® Dues Schedule

Dues payment covers membership in three separate associations

National Association (NAR), Georgia Association (GAR) and Fayette County Board of REALTORS (FCBR). A portion of your dues will be forwarded to NAR and GAR.



Month	National Association of REALTORS (NAR)	NAR Public Awareness Campaign (mandatory)	Georgia Association of REALTORS (GAR)	Fayette County Board of REALTORS (FCBR)	NEW Member FEE	TOTAL without GARPAC	GAR Political Action Committee (optional)	TOTAL with GARPAC
January	\$ 150.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 98.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 25.00	\$508.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 533.00
February	\$137.50	\$ 35.00	\$ 89.83	\$ 183.33	\$ 25.00	\$ 470.66	\$ 25.00	\$ 495.66
March	\$125.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 81.67	\$ 166.67	\$ 25.00	\$ 433.34	\$ 25.00	\$ 458.34
April	\$112.50	\$ 35.00	\$ 73.50	\$ 150.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 396.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 421.00
May	\$100.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 65.33	\$ 133.33	\$ 25.00	\$ 358.66	\$ 25.00	\$ 383.66
June	\$87.50	\$ 35.00	\$ 57.17	\$116.66	\$ 25.00	\$ 321.33	\$ 25.00	\$ 346.33
July	\$75.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 49.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 284.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 309.00
August	\$62.50	\$ 35.00	\$ 40.83	\$ 83.33	\$ 25.00	\$246.66	\$ 25.00	\$ 271.66
September	\$50.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 32.67	\$ 66.66	\$ 25.00	\$ 209.33	\$ 25.00	\$ 234.33
October	\$37.50	\$ 35.00	\$ 24.50	\$ 50.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 172.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 197.00
November	\$25.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 16.33	\$ 33.33	\$ 25.00	\$ 134.66	\$ 25.00	\$ 159.66
December	\$12.50	\$ 35.00	\$ 8.17	\$ 16.66	\$ 25.00	\$ 97.33	\$ 25.00	\$ 122.33

NOTE: \$25 New Member Fee is waived for members transferring from other Boards/Associations.

~ Realtor® Member Benefits & Services ~

FIRST and FOREMOST, as a member, you have the right to use the term **REALTOR®** and the registered trademark indicating that you abide by the REALTORS® Code of Ethics. Usage guidelines will be provided at New Member Orientation and can also be accessed online at **NAR.Realtor**.

Professionalism

REALTORS® distinguish themselves by abiding by a Code of Ethics that was first adopted by NAR in 1913. REALTORS® pledge to uphold these ethical and professional standards. Enforcement of the Code of Ethics is a service offered to ensure the integrity of your fellow REALTORS® and a positive experience for your customers and clients. FCBR offers annual educational courses in order for members to meet the NAR Required training on the REALTOR® Code of Ethics. Current cycle runs January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2018.

Awards & Recognition

Awards are presented to members annually in recognition of outstanding achievement and service. Circle of Achievement - Good Neighbor Award - Affiliate, Rookie and REALTOR of the Year and the President's Award.

Educational & Professional Development

The Fayette County Board of REALTORS® Real Estate School offers real estate professionals a full curriculum for real estate pre and post licensing, continuing education and professional designation programs online and in our training room with a/v and wireless support. It continues to be one of the hallmarks of our board featuring a diverse group of classes and instructors. Discounted early-bird pricing available for members.

Networking Opportunities

FCBR provides you with numerous opportunities to come together with other real estate and affiliate professionals in a fun and relaxed atmosphere. General Membership Meetings and Events are held monthly featuring relevant topics and speakers along with our traditional gatherings (Annual Awards Dinner, RPAC Fundraiser, Summer Social, Affiliate Expo and Holiday Reception).

Legislative Action

Local legislative meetings are monitored in an effort to stay on top of the issues affecting property owners and REALTORS® rights. The Political Action Committee works with local, state and national leaders to make sure new and existing laws/ordinances don't adversely affect your business or private property rights.

Leadership Academy

Leadership Academy trains up-and-coming leaders today to guide the association tomorrow. Five 2-hour classes and a field trip to GAR feature a variety of topics to include Board finances, legal liabilities, fiduciary duties and responsibilities, "who does what" and a past presidents panel to share best practices.

GAMLS Supply Store

The onsite supply store has a number of items including, Brown & White directional's, Information Boxes, BOSS Planners, Listing Folders, Closing Gifts, Lockboxes, Books, Riders and much more. We also offer Supra services, such as Active Keys and e-Keys. For your convenience, store is open, Mon thru Fri (9am to 4pm).

GAR Legal Lines Library & Helpline

This GAR member benefit is free for Georgia REALTORS®. This is video series that features GAR General Counsel Seth Weissman discussing some of the most frequently asked questions that come through GAR Legal Helpline. To utilize the helpline, you will visit the GAR website, login and acknowledge the user agreement and submit your question. Questions are sent to Weissman P.C. which is GAR's general counsel.

Georgia Real Estate Health Benefits

GAR is excited to announce in 2020 that there is now an alternative to the ACA exchange and private insurance for our members. With the Georgia Real Estate Health Benefits Center, you and your dependents may qualify for quality, affordable coverage that works with your family lifestyle, gives you the best care possible.

National & State REALTOR® Associations

Membership in the local Board also provides you with automatic membership in the Georgia Association of REALTORS® and the National Association of REALTORS®. See **NAR.Realtor** and **GARealtor.com**.