

## DESIGNATED REALTOR® APPLICATION ( LICENSED INDIVIDUALS )

As a REALTOR® member of our Board, you are entitled to a number of great services, discounts and benefits offered at the local, state and national levels. Throughout the year, there are several events, programs and committees in which you may participate.

Your membership in the Greater Rome Board of REALTORS® is an investment in your career and your profession. Please be sure to take full advantage of all the Board's benefits and to capitalize on the investment in yourself as a member of the Greater Rome Board of REALTORS®.

### COMMUNICATION

Know your industry and empower your marketing through:

- GRBOR Listserv – e-mail service to communicate fast and effectively with the entire GRBOR membership through one e-mail address. For example, an open house announcement.
- Regional Listserv – e-mail service to communicate with the Northwest Metro Association of REALTORS® membership along with GRBOR.
- Website - [www.GRBOR.com](http://www.GRBOR.com)
- Greater Rome Board email updates
- Georgia REALTOR® Magazine
- GAR Website - [www.garealtor.com](http://www.garealtor.com)
- NAR REALTOR® Magazine
- NAR Website - [www.nar.realtor](http://www.nar.realtor)

### COST SAVINGS

Your membership can translate into over a thousand dollars' worth of savings as you will have access to:

- Tech Helpline, a free member benefit, provides support for hardware, software, networking and digital devices.
- Arbitration & Mediation Services
- Georgia Association of REALTORS® Contracts
- GAR's Free Legal Helpline
- REALTOR® Insurance Marketplace – Shop for Auto, Dental, Errors & Omissions, Health, and Vision Insurance at [www.realtorsinsurancemarketplace.com](http://www.realtorsinsurancemarketplace.com)
- REALTOR® Member Discounts – Enjoy discounts from Avis, Budget, Dell, FedEx, Hertz, Lenovo, Sprint, Office Depot, among others.
- For more information, visit [www.grbor.com/benefits](http://www.grbor.com/benefits)

### EDUCATION

Membership provides you with twelve (12) hours of FREE Continuing Education classes each year.

Additionally, through the Georgia Association of REALTORS® Partners in Education Program, you'll have access to many of NAR's leading designations and certification programs. Among them are the coveted: GRI - Graduate REALTOR® Institute; CRS - Certified Residential Specialist; and, ABR - Accredited Buyer Representative. By achieving REALTOR® designations, a commitment to excellence is noted by other REALTORS® and the public.

### GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Membership in the Greater Rome Board of REALTORS® makes you part of one of the most powerful and influential grassroots lobbying efforts in the country. Monthly governmental updates keep you abreast of the latest local, state and federal real estate issues affecting the industry. We encourage all members to become involved and support RPAC - REALTORS® Political Action Committee at [www.grbor.com/rpac](http://www.grbor.com/rpac).

### NETWORKING

Networking and giving back to the community are vital parts of a successful career in real estate. We provide members with numerous opportunities to participate in both through:

- Quarterly Membership Meetings
- Fundraisers & Charitable Projects
- Annual Holiday Luncheon

### RECOGNITION

Your name and contact information is available through an online search on our website, [www.grbor.com](http://www.grbor.com).

**At the Greater Rome Board of REALTORS®, it's all about you!**  
Join a committee, attend the events and get involved!

Volunteer online at: [grbor.com/committees](http://grbor.com/committees)

# Greater Rome Board of REALTORS® • DR Application

## MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

1. A completed membership application submitted to the Board.
2. Membership Fees must be paid.\*
3. Attendance at an in-class Local Greater Rome Board Orientation course offered by the Greater Rome Board of REALTORS®. This must be completed within 6 months of submitting your application to the Board. Scheduled dates and times of these classes can be found online at [www.grbor.com/orientation](http://www.grbor.com/orientation).
4. Completion of a qualified New Member Code of Ethics course within 6 months of submitting your application to the Board. For more information, please visit [www.grbor.com/orientation](http://www.grbor.com/orientation).
5. If you are a member of another board or have held membership in the past with the Greater Rome Board, (within 12 months) and have already completed a new member orientation course, then you do not need to attend one again. You must submit proof of your orientation completion from your previous association in order to bypass requirements.

**Note - Designated REALTORS®** - Membership fees must also be paid per licensed agent within the company. Paying fees on agents within an office does not automatically qualify them for membership; each agent must complete an application and fulfill all necessary requirements.

## DESIGNATED REALTOR® FEE INFORMATION

January 1 - December 31

Annual membership renewals for REALTORS® are \$495 and are due on January 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. New member applications received later than January 31<sup>st</sup> are calculated on a pro-rated monthly basis. All new REALTOR® applicants must also include the application fee when they apply to the Greater Rome Board of REALTORS® for the first time.

The portion of dues paid that is spent to lobby the State and Federal governments is not deductible for income tax purposes. GAR has estimated that \$10.41 (10.62%) is the nondeductible portion of 2021 GAR dues. NAR has estimated the nondeductible portion of its 2021 dues to be \$57.00 (or 38%). The entire \$35.00 NAR Consumer Advertising Campaign Assessment qualifies as deductible dues.

**DESIGNATED REALTOR®** - Defined as the Principal, Partner, Corporate Officer, Trustee, or Branch Manager of a Real Estate firm. There is only one Designated REALTOR® per company. The Designated REALTOR® is responsible for paying fees for all licensed agents within his or her organization.

## DESIGNATED REALTOR® MEMBERSHIP FEES

Prorated Monthly • Fees are subject to change each subsequent year.

**MEMBERSHIP YEAR - LOCAL:** Jan. 1 - Dec. 31 • **STATE:** Jan. 1 - Dec. 31 • **NATIONAL:** Jan. 1 - Dec. 31

|                  | Local     | State    | NAR       | Subtotal  | Application Fee | TOTAL            |
|------------------|-----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------------|------------------|
| <b>January</b>   | \$ 212.00 | \$ 98.00 | \$ 185.00 | \$ 495.00 | \$ 100.00       | <b>\$ 595.00</b> |
| <b>February</b>  | \$ 195.00 | \$ 90.00 | \$ 173.00 | \$ 458.00 | \$ 100.00       | <b>\$ 558.00</b> |
| <b>March</b>     | \$ 177.00 | \$ 82.00 | \$ 160.00 | \$ 419.00 | \$ 100.00       | <b>\$ 519.00</b> |
| <b>April</b>     | \$ 159.00 | \$ 74.00 | \$ 148.00 | \$ 381.00 | \$ 100.00       | <b>\$ 481.00</b> |
| <b>May</b>       | \$ 142.00 | \$ 66.00 | \$ 135.00 | \$ 343.00 | \$ 100.00       | <b>\$ 443.00</b> |
| <b>June</b>      | \$ 124.00 | \$ 58.00 | \$ 123.00 | \$ 305.00 | \$ 100.00       | <b>\$ 405.00</b> |
| <b>July</b>      | \$ 106.00 | \$ 49.00 | \$ 110.00 | \$ 265.00 | \$ 100.00       | <b>\$ 365.00</b> |
| <b>August</b>    | \$ 89.00  | \$ 41.00 | \$ 98.00  | \$ 228.00 | \$ 100.00       | <b>\$ 328.00</b> |
| <b>September</b> | \$ 71.00  | \$ 33.00 | \$ 85.00  | \$ 189.00 | \$ 100.00       | <b>\$ 289.00</b> |
| <b>October</b>   | \$ 53.00  | \$ 25.00 | \$ 73.00  | \$ 151.00 | \$ 100.00       | <b>\$ 251.00</b> |
| <b>November</b>  | \$ 212.00 | \$ 98.00 | \$ 185.00 | \$ 495.00 | \$ 100.00       | <b>\$ 595.00</b> |
| <b>December</b>  | \$ 212.00 | \$ 98.00 | \$ 185.00 | \$ 495.00 | \$ 100.00       | <b>\$ 595.00</b> |

\* Application Fee is waived for any applicant who is currently a REALTOR® member in good standing or who has had active REALTOR® membership within the past year.

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I am applying for the following category of membership:

- Designated REALTOR®       Designated REALTOR® - Appraiser

Designated REALTORS® must hold one of the following positions within the company.

- Principal Broker    Principal Appraiser    Partnership    Corporate Officer    Trustee    Manager

## APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name (required) \_\_\_\_\_

Nickname (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone (required) \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address (required) \_\_\_\_\_

Apt. # \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Real Estate License # (required) \_\_\_\_\_

Appraisers License (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth (required) \_\_\_\_\_

Gender  Female    Male

E-Mail (required) \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Field of Business (examples: General Real Estate, New Homes, Brokerage Management, Property Management, etc.)  
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## COMPANY INFORMATION

Company Name \_\_\_\_\_

Company Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Business Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Business Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Firm License # \_\_\_\_\_

Website Address \_\_\_\_\_

## EVENT REMINDERS & CONTACT PREFERENCES

Preferred Phone Number  Cell    Office

Preferred Mailing Address  Home    Office

To subscribe to GRBOR Text Alerts & Reminders, please confirm your mobile number \_\_\_\_\_

Please let us know how you wish to receive reminders for meetings, classes and events that you register to attend. You may select one, both or none.

- Email Reminders       Text Reminders

## CURRENT OR PAST MEMBERSHIP OF ANOTHER BOARD OF REALTORS®

Have you previously held membership in any Association of REALTORS®?

- Yes    No

If yes, Association name where you last held membership: \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate any other name your past membership could be listed under: \_\_\_\_\_

NRDS#: \_\_\_\_\_

Last active year of membership: \_\_\_\_\_

If you are a current member of an Association of REALTORS®, please indicate whether you are transferring your primary membership OR applying for secondary membership, to the Greater Rome Board of REALTORS®.

- Membership Type:    Primary – transferring  
    Secondary - in addition to your Primary

Any agent joining the Greater Rome Board of REALTORS® (as a secondary member) who is already a member of another Association of REALTORS® is only required to pay the local portion of the dues to the Greater Rome Board; State and National portions should have already been paid to the primary association for the current fiscal year.

The Annual Membership dues are due on January 1st of each year; however, applications received later than January 31st are calculated on a monthly pro-rated basis. Primary membership fees for the Greater Rome Board of REALTORS® include dues to the Georgia Association of REALTORS® and the National Association of REALTORS®.

Have you been found in violation of the Code of Ethics or other membership duties in any Association of REALTORS® in the past three (3) years or are there any such complaints pending?

- Yes - provide details as an attachment    No

Have you or your firm been found in violation of state real estate licensing regulations or other laws prohibiting unprofessional conduct rendered by the courts or other lawful authorities within the last three years?

- Yes - provide details as an attachment    No

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## DESIGNATED REALTOR CONSENT AND AUTHORIZATION

In order for a Designated REALTOR® and their REALTOR®-type firm to remain active with the REALTOR® Association, all licensed individuals with the REALTOR® firm must also maintain membership with a REALTOR® Association/Board that their Designated REALTOR®/Managing Broker belongs to.

I hereby certify that every individual holding a Georgia real estate license which is held by me and/or my firm has complied (or will comply) with one of the following membership requirements:

1. Completed the membership requirements and is an active and paid member of a local REALTOR® association.
2. Has submitted an application for REALTOR® membership to a local REALTOR® association within 30-60 days of becoming licensed with my member firm.
3. Membership dues have been paid by the company and the salesperson will hold Non-Member Licensee status with a local REALTOR® association.

By entering my name below, I agree and consent to the Designated REALTOR® membership terms listed above:

Signed (required) \_\_\_\_\_

## IMPORTANT REMINDER

This application is the first stage in becoming a Member of the Greater Rome Board of REALTORS®. You must complete (2) two New Member Training Requirements within 6 months of joining the Board. Notices will be sent out once your application is processed. This does not apply to past Greater Rome Board of REALTORS® members who have already completed these training requirements.

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS

In the event of my election, I agree to abide by the Code of Ethics of the National Association of REALTORS®, including the obligation to arbitrate any existing or future disputes with another member in accordance with the Board's arbitration procedures. I also agree to abide by the Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules and Regulations of the Greater Rome Board of REALTORS®, the Georgia Association of REALTORS®, and the National Association of REALTORS® which are made available to me at the office of the Greater Rome Board of REALTORS®, and if required, I further agree to satisfactorily complete within SIX MONTHS time, an Orientation Course which may be completed online and a local Greater Rome Board Training Course (in-class). I further agree that my act of paying dues shall evidence my initial and continuing commitment to abide by the aforementioned Code of Ethics, Constitutions, Bylaws, Rules and Regulations, and duty to arbitrate, all as from time to time amended. I irrevocably waive all claims against the Board or any of its officers, directors or members, for any acts in electing or failing to elect, advancing, suspending, expelling, or otherwise disciplining me as an applicant, or as a member. Upon the expiration of said membership for any cause, I will discontinue the use of the term REALTOR® and return to the Board all certificates, signs, seals or other indications of membership in the Board, the State Association and the National Association of REALTORS®.

I consent that the Board, through its Membership Committee or otherwise, may invite and receive other information and comment about me from any member or other person, and I further agree that any information and comment furnished to the Board by any person in response to the invitation shall be conclusively deemed to be privileged and not form the basis of any action by me for slander, libel, or defamation of character.

I agree that, if accepted for Membership in the Board, I shall pay the fees and dues as from time to time established. I understand that should I not complete the Orientation Course and/or the local Greater Rome Board Training Course (in-class) within the prescribed 6-months from the date of my application that I will be automatically dropped as an applicant for membership, and that there will be no refund of any portion of the fees paid. 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.

BY SIGNING, I consent that the REALTOR® Association (local, state and national) and their subsidiaries may contact me at the specified address, telephone numbers, fax numbers, email address or other means of communication available. This consent applies to changes in contact information that may be provided by me to the Association(s) in the future. The 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 OF APPLICANT

Signed (required) \_\_\_\_\_

Name (Please print) \_\_\_\_\_

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_\_

## CHECK PAYMENT

Make checks payable to: Greater Rome Board of REALTORS®

Payment of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_

## CREDIT CARD PAYMENT

In order to maintain your security, we will contact you within 3 business days to collect your payment information.

## FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Date Received \_\_\_\_\_

Office NRDS ID# \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's NRDS ID# \_\_\_\_\_

Orientation Date \_\_\_\_\_

Last COE Date \_\_\_\_\_

Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_