

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
- Greater Rome Board email updates
- Georgia REALTOR® Magazine
- GAR Website - www.garealtor.com
- NAR REALTOR® Magazine
- NAR Website - www.nar.realtor

COST SAVINGS

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

- Arbitration & Mediation Services
- Georgia Association of REALTORS® Contracts
- Free Legal Helpline
- Auto, Dental, Errors & Omissions, Health, and Vision Insurance
- REALTORS® Federal Credit Union

For more information, visit www.grbor.com/benefits

EDUCATION

Membership provides you access to several Continuing Education classes, offered locally in Rome, and many of the leading designations in the country. Among these coveted Designations are the Graduate REALTOR® Institute (GRI), Certified Residential Specialist (CRS) and Accredited Buyer Representative (ABR). By furthering your education and obtaining a professional REALTOR® designation, 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.

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:

- Affiliate Appreciation Event
- Quarterly Membership Meetings
- RPAC Event

RECOGNITION

Your name and contact information is available on our website, www.grbor.com.

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

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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.
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.
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.

REALTOR® FEE INFORMATION

January 1 - December 31

Annual membership renewals for REALTORS® are \$495 and are due on January 1st of each year. New member applications received later than January 31st 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 \$13.82 (14.10%) is the nondeductible portion of 2019 GAR dues. NAR has estimated the nondeductible portion of its 2019 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.

REALTOR® - Defined as any agent within the office of a Designated REALTOR® that holds an active real estate license who becomes a member of the Board.

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
January	\$ 212.00	\$ 98.00	\$ 185.00	\$ 495.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 520.00
February	\$ 195.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 173.00	\$ 458.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 483.00
March	\$ 177.00	\$ 82.00	\$ 160.00	\$ 419.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 444.00
April	\$ 159.00	\$ 74.00	\$ 148.00	\$ 381.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 406.00
May	\$ 142.00	\$ 66.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 343.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 368.00
June	\$ 124.00	\$ 58.00	\$ 123.00	\$ 305.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 330.00
July	\$ 106.00	\$ 49.00	\$ 110.00	\$ 265.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 290.00
August	\$ 89.00	\$ 41.00	\$ 98.00	\$ 228.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 253.00
September	\$ 71.00	\$ 33.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 189.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 214.00
October	\$ 53.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 73.00	\$ 151.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 176.00
November	\$ 212.00	\$ 98.00	\$ 185.00	\$ 495.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 520.00
December	\$ 212.00	\$ 98.00	\$ 185.00	\$ 495.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 520.00

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I am applying for the following category of membership:

- REALTOR® - Agent
 REALTOR® - Managing Broker
 REALTOR® - Appraiser

HOME INFORMATION

Name (required) _____
Nickname (if applicable) _____
Phone Home Cell _____
Home Address (required) _____
Apt. # _____
City/State/Zip _____
Real Estate License # (required) _____
Appraisers License (if applicable) _____
Date of Birth (required) _____
E-Mail (required) _____

COMPANY INFORMATION REQUIRED

Company Name _____
Company Address _____

City/State/Zip _____
Business Phone _____
Business Fax _____
Firm License # _____
Website Address _____
Preferred Mailing Address: Home Office

CURRENT MEMBER OF ANOTHER BOARD OF REALTORS®

Are you currently an active member of another Board of REALTORS® this year?

Yes No

If yes, Board name _____

If yes, please indicate whether you are transferring your primary membership to the Greater Rome Board of REALTORS® or applying for secondary membership in the Greater Rome Board of REALTORS®.

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

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

Primary membership dues for the Greater Rome Board of REALTORS® include dues to the Georgia Association of REALTORS® and the National Association of REALTORS®.

Have you previously held membership in the Greater Rome Board of REALTORS®?

Yes No

If yes, year(s) of membership _____

If yes, please indicate any other name your past membership could be listed under _____

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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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. Notices will be sent out once your application is processed. This does not apply to past Greater Rome Board members.

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 _____ 2019

CHECK PAYMENT

Make checks payable to: Greater Rome Board of REALTORS®

Payment of \$ _____ Check # _____

CREDIT CARD PAYMENT

In order to maintain your security, if paying by credit card, you will be contacted by phone and asked to provide your payment information once your application has been reviewed.

Alternatively, our online membership application allows you to include your payment information securely. To apply online, please visit www.grbor.com/membership.

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Status Date: _____ Orientation Date: _____ Last COE Date: _____

Office NRDS #: _____ Personal NRDS #: _____

Notes: _____