

Bartow Area Board of REALTORS®

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REALTOR® APPLICATION

Welcome and thank you for your interest in the Bartow Area Board of REALTORS®! 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. We offer the widest array of services for our membership, now approximately 250 members. Throughout the year, there are several events, programs, and committee meetings for you to choose from based on your interests and needs.

Your membership in the Bartow Area Board of REALTORS® is an investment in your career and your profession. Your association gives you the key for successful sales through increased professional contacts, advanced continuing education courses and much more. Please be sure to take advantage of the Board benefits you are entitled to, some of which include:

GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Membership in the Bartow Area 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, the REALTORS® Political Action Committee.

EDUCATION

Membership provides you with twelve (12) hours of free Continuing Education classes each year through the Georgia Institute of Real Estate (GIRE) and access to many of the leading designations in the country. Among these coveted Designations offered by GIRE, are the Graduate Realtor Institute (GRI), Certified Residential Specialist (CRS) and Accredited Buyer Representative (ABR). By furthering your education, and achieving a REALTOR® designation, a commitment to excellence is noted by other REALTORS® and the public.

NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES

Realizing that networking is a vital part of a successful career in real estate, the Bartow Board provides numerous opportunities for the entire real estate industry to come together, including several annual events.

MEMBER DISCOUNT PROGRAMS

Through your membership, you will receive discounts through the Georgia Association of REALTORS® (GAR) and National Association of REALTORS® (NAR).

COMMUNITY SERVICE

The Board has a long-standing history of supporting the local community. Each year, the Bartow Board participates in several activities and charitable events such as:

- Annual Blood Drive
- Annual Golf Tournament
- Bartow Christmas
- Ringing the Bell for the Salvation Army
- Scholarship contribution to high school seniors
- School Supply Drive
- Thanksgiving Baskets

RECOGNITION

A fundamental initiative of the Board is to recognize the membership for their many achievements and to promote the outstanding professionalism and success of the members. The prestigious Professional Achiever's Circle was established to recognize agents and brokers for their volume production and outstanding and noteworthy transactions.

COMMUNICATION

The following publications help members stay on top of the latest news and changes:

- www.bartowrealtors.com
- Bartow Newsletter Express emails
- Georgia REALTOR® Magazine
- NAR REALTOR® Magazine
- GAR - www.garealtor.com
- NAR - www.realtor.org

HELPFUL RESOURCES

- FMLS - www.fmls.com
- Georgia MLS - www.gamls.com
- Georgia Real Estate Commission www.grec.state.ga.us

At the Bartow Area Board of REALTORS® it's all about you!

So please join a committee, attend the events and stay involved!

Bartow Area Board of REALTORS® - REALTOR® APPLICATION

MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

MEMBERSHIP IS GRANTED AFTER THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS ARE MET:

1. A completed membership application, including agent's and broker's signatures, must be submitted to the Board.
2. Dues must be paid.*
3. All new members must attend a one hour in-class Local Bartow Area Board Training course given by the Bartow Area Board of REALTORS®. This must be done within 6 months of submitting your application to the Board in order to start counting your Professional Achiever's Circle sales credit from the date your application was received in the Board office. Additionally, all new members must also complete a qualified New Member Code of Ethics Orientation course. You may: Attend a three hour in-class Orientation session, which is offered every other month at the Bartow Area Board of REALTORS® office. This course will provide you with 3 hours of Continuing Education credit;

OR, you may take the National Association of REALTORS® New Member Code of Ethics Orientation online at www.realtor.org ("Take the Code of Ethics" training link and then "New Member Code of Ethics Orientation" link).

Scheduled dates and times of these classes can be found online at www.bartowrealtors.com.

If you are currently a member of another REALTOR® Association or have held membership in the past with the Bartow Area Board of REALTORS® and you have already attended a new member orientation course, then you do not need to attend the New Member Code of Ethics Orientation course again nor the Local Bartow Area Board Training. You must submit proof of your New Member Orientation completion from your previous or current REALTOR association in order to bypass attendance at either of these training sessions. They may email proof to Mendalyn Harper, Mendalyn@bartowrealtors.com, or via fax, 404-732-0638.

4. The application must be approved by the Membership Committee and the Board of Directors.

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

2011 REALTOR DUES INFORMATION

July 1, 2010 - June 30, 2011

Annual membership dues for the Designated REALTOR® are calculated at \$370.00. Each licensed agent within the Designated REALTORS® office will also pay \$370.00 in order to become a REALTOR® member of the Board. All agents applying to the Board must pay the dues, fill out an application and attend an Orientation session before being approved for full membership.

DESIGNATED REALTOR® defined

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 dues for all licensed agents within his or her organization.

REALTOR® defined

All agents within an office of a Designated REALTOR® that hold an active real estate license who become a member of the Board.

DETAILED MONTHLY BREAKDOWN OF THE DUES STRUCTURE: BARTOW DESIGNATED REALTOR® / REALTOR®

*Dues are subject to change for 2012

	Local Dues	State Dues	NAR Dues	Subtotal	Application Fee	TOTAL
July	\$182.00	\$73.00	\$115.00	\$370.00	\$25.00	\$395.00
August	\$166.83	\$73.00	\$115.00	\$354.83	\$25.00	\$379.83
September	\$151.67	\$73.00	\$115.00	\$339.67	\$25.00	\$364.67
October	\$136.50	\$73.00	\$115.00	\$324.50	\$25.00	\$349.50
November	\$121.33	\$73.00	\$115.00	\$309.33	\$25.00	\$334.33
December	\$106.17	\$73.00	\$115.00	\$294.17	\$25.00	\$319.17
January	\$ 91.00	\$73.00	\$115.00	\$279.00	\$25.00	\$304.00
February	\$75.83	\$66.92	\$108.33	\$251.08	\$25.00	\$276.08
March	\$ 60.67	\$60.83	\$101.67	\$223.17	\$25.00	\$248.17
April	\$ 45.50	\$54.75	\$ 95.00	\$195.25	\$25.00	\$220.25
May	\$182.00	\$73.00	\$115.00	\$370.00	\$25.00	\$395.00
June	\$182.00	\$73.00	\$115.00	\$370.00	\$25.00	\$395.00

Bartow Area Board of REALTORS® - REALTOR® APPLICATION

I am applying for the following category of membership:

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

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

- Principal Broker Partnership Corporate Officer Trustee Manager

Appraisers applying for Designated REALTOR® membership must hold one of the following positions with the above company.

- Principal Appraiser Partnership Corporate Officer Trustee Manager

HOME INFORMATION

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

Have you previously held membership in the Bartow Area Board of REALTORS®? Yes No

Year(s) of Membership _____

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

Any agent joining the Bartow Area 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 Bartow Area Board; State and National portions should have already been paid to the primary board.

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

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, name of Board _____

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

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

MEMBERSHIP YEAR

LOCAL: July 1 - June 30

STATE: January 1 - December 31

NATIONAL: January 1 - December 31

*Dues are subject to change for 2012

IMPORTANT

REMINDER:

This application is the first stage in becoming a Member of the Bartow Area Board of REALTORS®. You must complete an Orientation course (held at the Board office each month, or you may complete the course online at www.realtor.org; monthly notices will be sent out) AND a Local Bartow Area Board Training course held quarterly before this application is approved for membership. This does not apply to past Bartow Area Board members.

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EFFECTIVE MEMBERSHIP DATE FOR PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVER'S CIRCLE VOLUME CREDIT:

If applicant completes the Orientation course AND a local Bartow Area Board training within six months of application to the Board, the effective date shall be the date the application was received in the Board Office. Otherwise, the effective PAC date shall be the date the application is approved by the Board of Directors.

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 Bartow Area Board of REALTORS, the Georgia Association of REALTORS®, and the National Association of REALTOR®S which are made available to me at the office of the Bartow Area Board of REALTORS®, and if required, I further agree to satisfactorily complete within SIX MONTHS time, an ORIENTATION COURSE which may be completed in-class or online and a LOCAL BARTOW AREA 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 (in-class or online) and/or the LOCAL BARTOW AREA BOARD TRAINING COURSE (in-class) within the prescribed SIX 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.

***This application must be signed AND initialed by the Designated REALTOR® or Managing Broker before it will be processed.**

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT*

Signed (required) _____

Name (Please print) _____

Dated _____ 20 _____

PRINCIPAL/MANAGING BROKER*

I certify that I am an Active REALTOR® member in the Bartow Area Board of REALTORS® or another Board of REALTORS® who has been named the Designated REALTOR® member (or Managing Broker). I have reviewed this application and certify that the applicant is presently licensed with this firm and I hereby recommend the applicant for REALTOR® membership.

Signed (required) _____

Name (Please print) _____

Dated _____ 20 _____

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I have read and verified my compliance (required)

CHECK PAYMENT

Make checks payable to: Bartow Area Board of REALTORS®

I am enclosing my payment of \$ _____

Check # _____

Or:

CREDIT CARD INFORMATION

I am enclosing my payment of \$ _____

Personal Corporate

Visa MC AMEX Discover

Account #: _____

Expiration Date: _____

Signature: _____

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Status Date: _____ Orientation Date: _____ Office #: _____

Member #: _____ NRDS #: _____

Notes: _____