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MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

Greetings from the Division of Real Estate,

As we are leaving the warmth and openness of summer, we're reflecting on our "Vision" for the Division of Real Estate ("DRE") and our priorities in risk management, public relations, and professional development. In keeping with those themes, we are happy to share a number of exciting updates from DRE, while also looking forward to what the rest of the year has in store.

We're proud to announce that Deputy General Counsel Gabriela Nicolau and Prosecutor Jenni Scheck were recently sworn into the United States Supreme

Court Bar. They now join the ranks of other talented DRE attorneys Adrienne Levatino, Stephen Kehoe, and Hector Rodriguez, who've also been sworn into the United States Supreme Court Bar during their professional careers. We congratulate Gabriela and Jenni on this amazing professional accomplishment and thank them for their continued service to our division. For more on this, Gaby shares her experience in a thoughtful article herein.

Deputy Director Jeremy Reed and I were proud to attend mid-year conferences for both the Association of Real Estate License Law Officials and the Association of Appraiser Regulatory Officials this year. These conferences and governing bodies provide a wealth of information, as well as an opportunity to checkin, compare, and analyze current trends and essentials in real estate regulation. We are both inspired and motivated to share the knowledge we've gained to lead our team in furthering their connections and professional education throughout their careers. Jeremy details what we've gleaned in an informative article included in this edition of the newsletter.

The Division of Real Estate houses a talented group of people who work diligently to hold each other to the highest standards in customer service and consumer protection. We look forward to continuing to work together to achieve our goals.

Sincerely,

Laurie Murphy

Laurie Murphy, Director of the Division of Real Estate





SWORN-IN TO THE UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT BAR



Gabriela Nicolau Deputy General Counsel

I had one of those remarkable moments in March of this year, the kind you read about in books where people say, "life may have come full circle." Thanks to our Secretary Mario Treto, Jr. and Deputy Secretary Ericka Johnson, who helped to organize and facilitate, a group of attorneys at IDFPR had the opportunity to take a trip to Washington D.C. to be sworn into the United States Supreme Court Bar.

Does this mean I can now practice before the U.S. Supreme Court? Yes. Does it mean I will someday? Perhaps. It's surprisingly easy and generous of those before us to enter the Bar. You must be practicing for at least a few years, and you must find two sponsors who are already sworn in and who will vouch for your professional character. And, of course, there's the scrambling to unearth a physical check, complete it, and send in the application in time.

The day of swearing in happened to be one of national discussion and importance. Protesters and reporters were beginning to stage their operations outside, so we were escorted by security through a separate entrance. The interior paintings that adorn the walls of the building of Justices past were enough for me to think the trip had already paid it's worth. After security, we were shuffled into a waiting room to anticipate the process before us.

The final stop, the U.S. Supreme Courtroom, is remarkably understated in appearance, but the formality is understood. We had a ringside seat to oral arguments and were adjacent to the press, another perk of the day. The eagerness of the Supreme Court Justices' arrival was felt by those of us (including me) who had not graced these walls before. The Justices are smaller in person, but larger than in my news stories and academic imagination. Appropriately, they were seated just before us and elevated behind what I can only imagine is wood paneling in existence since the Court's inception. Secretary Treto was our Movant, and he pronounced our names so perfectly I felt my parents would be proud. Chief Justice Roberts affirmed that we were indeed part of the Bar; the entire process took about 15 minutes. It was then on to the more serious business of the day.

It just so happened that the day the Court chose to swear us in was a day of argument on legal issues that ranged from procedural to substantive and focused on standing and agency deference, two issues the Department deals with quite often. The questions were pointed, interested, and subjective. The literal and theoretical postures of the Justices varied as the U.S. Solicitor General and Attorney for Doctors, suing the Food and Drug Administration, jockeyed the legal questions lobbied at them. Sporadic and disruptive, I admired their abilities to keep up and be so poised. I also admired the table of women attorneys arguing not too far from me, something these walls may have never foreseen when created.

A few hours later, we stepped out and I was trying hard to not geek out, but it was nearly impossible. The weight of the day, the attachment to the issues, and the accomplishment this could mean to my parents who worked so hard to create a life here were a lot. I cannot express enough gratitude to Secretary Treto, Deputy Johnson, and my colleagues who participated. Also, to my family and friends who endured countless texts and calls on the legal arguments I witnessed.

APPRAISAL



Appraisal Board Functions

Since being created in 1990, the responsibilities of the Illinois Real Estate Appraisal Administration and Disciplinary Board have become more involved. Aside from the well-known disciplinary aspect of the Board, there is a great deal more that they contribute to the Division and to the profession overall. This includes:

• Education: Board members review course materials for relevance and consistency. There are over 400 licensed appraiser courses in Illinois. While Qualifying Education ("QE") courses are largely accepted without Board input, the remaining 75% that are Continuing Education ("CE") offerings (whether delivered as in-person, livestream, or asynchronous) are all reviewed by a Board member. Not all CE offerings are approved, and sometimes corrections are necessary.



Brian Weaver Real Estate Appraisal Coordinator

• **Upgrading:** For Trainees who apply to become Certified, Board members examine the work samples to make certain that they comply with Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice ("USPAP"). Applicants each typically submit a minimum of three samples or appraisal reports. Sixty applicants in a year can result in 180 or more appraisal reports that need to be examined in detail, and not all are Uniform Residential Appraisal Reports. Many are in a more narrative format and involve complex properties. But Board members are able to study and review them all.

• **Discipline:** Practice-based complaints (those that have an appraisal report at issue) are submitted to the Board for context and investigative guidance. The Board will make written recommendations as to what, if any, violations of USPAP or state law are present.

While some issues are resolved through settlement conferences, some do require a formal hearing. Generally, Board members volunteer to appear on a designated day each month to attend a hearing, which involves reading and signing legal orders. Board input helps understand the scale and scope of violations.

Of course, each month, the Board gathers to conduct business, such as approval of education offerings, out-of-state course approvals, and enforcement actions.

AUCTION

Written by Cissy Tabor, Executive Director, Illinois State Auctioneer Association



Illinois State Auctioneer Championship

Division of Real Estate Laurie Murphy joined four auction industry professionals as a judge at the 2024 Illinois State Auctioneer Championship at the Illinois State Fair in Springfield. Spencer Smith of Monticello was crowned Illinois State Champion Auctioneer, while Ben Ladage of Auburn was runner-up in this prestigious contest.

Hosted on August 14 during Agricultural Day at the Illinois State Fair, there are three categories where the judges award points to a contestant, each one covering a different aspect of auctioneering: Presentation, Chant/Voice, and Effective Auctioneering. Additionally, the event is a fundraiser for the Illinois State Auctioneers Association ("ISAA") and the Hachmeister scholarship that is awarded to a child or grandchild of an ISAA member.

The ISAA was formed by a group of successful business owners who knew that, in order to provide a better business environment for themselves and strengthen their share of the auction market, they needed to work together. Their purpose was to speak with one voice for the auction industry of the State of Illinois and, in the process, obtain tools to help them make sound and profitable decisions in their auction business and promote the auction method of marketing to the general public.

The competition is limited to 20 contestants who must be licensed in Illinois and an ISAA member. The top five contestants proceed to the final round, which includes an interview and auctioning off three items provided by ISAA. Contestants can sell a variety of items from jewelry, quilts, vintage items, electronics, tools, and more. The judges for the Illinois State Auctioneer Championship may include past Illinois State Champion Auctioneers, International Auctioneer Champions, ISAA Hall of Fame members, auction industry professionals, or business professionals.

The 2024 Illinois State Champion and Reserve Champion Auctioneers have the honor of auctioning the winning items of the Illinois State Fair Commodities and join an elite team of Illinois State Champion Auctioneers, in which the Grand Champions served as the auctioneers at the Illinois State Fair's Governor's Sale of Champions auction.



COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION MANAGEMENT



Community Association Manager Continuing Education: Ongoing Learning in A Fast-Paced Profession

Continuing Education ("CE") is fundamental to the enhancement of professionalism. It's a catalyst for growth and a way to stay up to date in constantly changing industries. CE is also a requirement for all professions regulated by the Division of Real Estate, including Community Association Managers.

The Administrative Rule (68 III. Adm. Code 1445) ("Rule") interpreting and implementing the Community Association Manager Licensing and Disciplinary Act (225 ILCS 427/) ("Act") was amended effective June 2, 2023 to require that each Community Association Manager ("CAM"), beginning with the renewal period ending August 31, 2025, complete 12 CE credit hours for each renewal period.



Adrienne Levatino Associate General Counsel

CE credit can be earned for attending and completing a course offered by an education sponsor approved by the Division of Real Estate ("DRE"). These courses must meet

the requirements of a variety of certification and accreditation entities and can be offered by any Illinois-accredited school, college, or university. The curriculum for CE is found in Section 1445.210 of the Rule.

CE credit may also be earned for courses taken to satisfy the following designations:

- Certified Manager of Community Associations ("CMCA");
- Association Management Specialist ("AMS"); or
- Professional Community Association Manager ("PCAM")

The curriculum assures that CAM licensees, whether veterans of or newcomers to the profession, will remain engaged! Topics include state and federal law relating to community association and preparation of budgets, insurance matters, reserve studies, and procedures for noticing and conducting community association meetings. The sexual harassment prevention training required of all licensees may be counted by CAMs toward their CE requirement for each renewal period. That training may be provided by the licensee's employer, the Department of Human Rights, or any continuing education provider authorized by the Department in accordance with <u>Section</u> <u>2-109 of the Illinois Human Rights Act</u>.

Entities that wish to offer continuing education must first be approved by the Department (68 III. Adm. Code 1445.230). The Division recently sent a Notice regarding Community Association Manager Education Sponsors and Courses to numerous industry stakeholder groups concerning approval for sponsorship and for each CE course offered. DRE's Community Association Management page (<u>https://idfpr.illinois.gov/profs/cam.html</u>) contains links to application forms for CE Courses, Pre-License Education Courses, and Education Sponsors. Approval of courses and education sponsors is effective for a period of 24 months following the date of approval. Course and education sponsors must apply for subsequent approval no later than 90 days prior to the expiration date of their then-current approval period.

All education sponsors must provide each participant in a program with a certificate of completion containing the information required by Section 1445.200 of the Rule. Beginning with the August 31, 2025 renewal period, each CAM will be required to certify, on the renewal application, full compliance with CE requirements and may be required to submit proof of completion of the CE requirements at the time of renewal. Failure to comply with CE requirements is a violation of the Act and may subject a licensee to a citation or other discipline.

HOME INSPECTION



Upcoming Home Inspector Renewal

The 2024 renewal deadline for Home Inspector and Home Inspector Entity licensees is November 30, 2024. Prior to renewing a license, the licensee shall complete the required courses as described below:

• Continuing Education ("CE") Hour Requirements

- If the Home Inspector was first licensed on or before August 31, 2024:
 - Twelve hours of CE are required, of which six hours must be approved as mandatory.
 - <u>One Hour Sexual Harassment Prevention Training Course</u>.
- If the Home Inspector was first licensed on or after September 1, 2024:
 - No CE in required for this renewal.

• Resources

- CE must be obtained through an IDFPR licensed Home Inspector Education Provider. The CE course must also have a current license.
 - A list of approved Continuing Education Providers may be found at:
 - idfprapps.illinois.gov/DRE/Education/hiceList.asp
 - Your original dates of licensure and current license status may be found using the "License Lookup" at:
 - ♦ eLicense Online (micropact.com)
 - Your list of completed CE courses may be viewed using the "CE Lookup" at:
 - <u>Continuing Education Lookup (micropact.com)</u>
- Certification of Compliance with Continuing Education Requirements
 - Each renewal applicant shall certify on the renewal application to full compliance with the CE requirements. Licensees who are exempt from the CE requirements should indicate on the renewal application that they have complied with the CE requirements.
 - The Department may require additional evidence demonstrating compliance with the CE requirements. It is the responsibility of each renewal applicant to retain or otherwise produce evidence of such compliance upon request.
 - If you have taken a CE course and it is not listed on the CE Lookup within 45 days of completion, please contact your education provider to ensure that all course requirements (such as proctored course exams) are satisfied.

Reminder:

Any Home Inspector Entity that desires to practice as a home inspector or provide home inspections in the State of Illinois in the form of a corporation, limited liability company, or a legally formed partnership shall obtain a Home Inspector Entity License by applying to IDFPR on forms provided by IDFPR and paying the required fee.

• The application for a home inspector entity license is available on our website at: <u>Entity application DRE.doc (illinois.gov)</u>

PLEASE NOTE:

AFTER January 1, 2025, the NEW education requirements will apply to all applicants for an initial home inspector license AND to licensees seeking renewal.

The updates are as follows:

- **Continuing Eduction:** The conditions for renewing a home inspector license will still require twelve hours of CE, but EIGHT of those hours will now have to be mandatory courses. One of those hours is still dedicated to the Sexual Harassment Prevention Training required of all professionals licensed by the Department. The choices for an elective course have been expanded and will include efficiency, climate, ethics, and smart homes, among others.
- **Pre-license Education:** In addition to the 60 hour course, a field examination course is required which includes five field inspection events and a field exam that is based on the same or a similar property type used in one of the five field events. The final field examination must include:
 - O Draft written home inspection report;
 - O Inspection and description of each system identified in the Standards of Practice;
 - O Identification of potential defects of each system; and
 - O Minimum passing score of 70% as determined by the provider. (1410.520)

REAL ESTATE LICENSE ACT UPDATES



The Division of Real Estate's bill (SB3740) unanimously passed both chambers of the General Assembly during the 2024 Spring Legislative session and was signed into law by Governor JB Pritzker on August 9, 2024 becoming <u>P.A.</u> <u>103-1039</u>.

This bill made changes to the Real Estate License Act of 2000 [225 ILCS 454/] which goes into effect January 1, 2025. Highlights of the changes include:

- Requires all brokerage agreements (exclusive or non-exclusive) between consumers and a Sponsoring Broker be in writing and creates a new disciplinary violation in Section 20-20(a) for failure to have a brokerage agreement in writing when representing the client.
- Defines "non-exclusive brokerage agreement" to help consumers understand this form of a written agreement.
- Clarifies that licensees must disclose sponsoring broker's compensation policies to their client, including any amount offered to cooperating brokers.
- A transition from Reciprocal Agreements to an Endorsement Process for current real estate licensees in all the other 49 states to obtain a license in Illinois through a streamlined process and without the need for a state agreement with Illinois.
- Requires that a minimum balance of 1 million dollars be maintained in the Recovery Fund.
- To obtain the Managing Broker license, the applicant only needs to take the Illinois State portion of the written exam as the requirement for the National portion has been eliminated.
- Adds a new Continuing Education (CE) elective course topic diversity, equity, and inclusion.
- Increases Brokers and Managing Brokers Core CE from 4 to 6 hours to include 2 mandatory credit hours of Fair Housing.
- Provides a Virtual Office option for Education Providers.
- Clarifies that Pre-License education is valid for 2 years following the completion of <u>all</u> required Pre-License education.

What's Next for the Division of Real Estate

- Update the Administrative Rule (68 III. Adm. Code 1450) to reflect the Act changes.
- Review and update the Managing Broker Pre-license curriculum.
- Develop the Endorsement course curriculum.
- Revise the Core CE curriculum to reflect the additional 2 hours for Fair Housing.

EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCES ARE GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES



My recent change in role to Deputy Director has provided additional exposure to national associations and the conferences they host a few times a year. 2024 has already afforded me two opportunities to attend such events.

The first event was the Association of Real Estate License Law Officials ("ARELLO") Mid-Year Conference held in April this year. During the three-day schedule, regulators from around the country and Canada discussed relevant topics that currently challenge the Real Estate Industry.

ARELLO is such a valuable resource for the Division's staff because it provides access to not only a myriad of resources, but also access to individuals who play the same role for their home jurisdictions. Being able to "talk shop" with others who face the same challenges has been critical to the Division's ongoing success.



Jeremy Reed, Deputy Director of the Division of Real Estate

The second conference attended by Director Murphy and myself was the Association of Appraiser Regulatory Officials ("AARO") Conference held in May. While similar in

setup, the Appraiser agenda centered around the rules and policies set forth by the profession's Federal overseeing bodies. You've likely heard about bias and discrimination issues impacting the Appraisal industry the past few years. This year's sessions regularly included comments, ideas, and even personal stories about how the industry must evolve to keep pace with a changing world.

Other highlights included:

- Market outlook and how the slowing may impact submitted complaints to regulating agencies.
- How bias and discrimination concerns are being shared with regulating agencies via automated and Al driven technology used by Government Service Enterprise ("GSEs"), Fannie Mae for example.
- A newly required Continuing Education course focused on Valuation Bias and Fair Housing must be completed by January 1, 2026.
- Reconsideration of Value ("ROV") and how it may cause confusion for regulators in terms of submitted complaints.
- Experience programs vs. traditional Supervisor/ Trainee programs.
- Lender use of Data Collectors vs. Appraisers and if this is a temporary issue.
- Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice ("USPAP") violations vs. "Best Practice" vs. "Bad Look."

While the time and effort needed to attend these national conferences may be substantial at times, the return is well worth it. Being able to collaborate with individuals doing similar jobs across the country is extremely helpful. Understanding how agencies go about their business, being able to hear that, and reference it when similar circumstances arise can be a huge time saver. It also helps transition ideas to action, which we all know can be slow at time within state work. Learning from folks who have made that commitment and already walk the path can be a game changer. I am truly thankful to a supportive Division, Department, and State that provides such successful opportunities. If you have the chance to attend a conference in your role, GO!

EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT – NICOLE MOON



Can you start by telling us a little bit about yourself and how you came to pursue a career with the Division of Real Estate?

After landing back in Springfield via Eastern Illinois University, Chicago, and several low-budget, backpacking excursions, I settled down to become a high-school English teacher and have two fantastic kids: Ava, who just finished her sophomore year in architecture at UIUC, and Jack, who is finishing his junior year at Springfield High School, the school where I formerly taught.

During my tenure there, I also acquired my real estate license and worked on a team part-time. While teaching nurtured my love of writing, literature, and

connecting with people of different ages, races, and backgrounds, being a real estate agent cultivated another passion in architecture (especially old homes), as well as fostering relationships with clients. Fast-forwarding a few years, I decided to change career paths, so when a job in Real Estate Education at IDFPR came up on the job board, I jumped at the chance to combine my teaching experience with my real estate background and knowledge. Having been Education Coordinator for almost two months, I sincerely love my job! I spend my days learning, reading, editing, reviewing, and building relationships with educators, licensees, and co-workers; truly the best of both worlds!

Currently, I live with my soon-to-be husband, Dave, who is a developer/coder/tech guy (no one actually knows what he does), our two dogs, Estelle and Brizzy, and three of our four kids who are in and out between college, jobs, sports, etc. We are appreciating the chaos for now, but bitter-sweet empty-nesting is right around the corner!

Tell us about a moment/turning point in your life that you learned/grew from?

I've always said that traveling to other countries and experiencing other cultures is one of the most important things we (especially Americans) can do to open our minds and gain empathy. During my travels, I learned that differences are important and interesting, that everyone has a story unique to them, and that I'm certainly not that special.

Summer has come to an end, what were some of your favorite summer activities?

I LOVE summer, so boating, swimming, gardening, eating/ drinking on patios, Cubs games, festivals, live music, beach, and really anything outside with friends and family!

What hobby/special interest/talent do you have that we be surprised about?

I am an avid traveler. I love live music and music festivals and am known for knowing at least some (if not all) lyrics to almost every song. I love gardening and native plants, and our backyard is our sanctuary, loaded with native wildflowers, vegetable gardens, and a greenhouse.

EVENTS

Many thanks to Illinois Realtors for inviting us to attend their annual REALTOR of the Year Award banquet in Springfield on April 9! Director of Real Estate Laurie Murphy, Deputy Director Jeremy Reed, Real Estate Coordinator Monica Gutierrez, and several members of the Real Estate Administration and Disciplinary Board were proud to join the celebration of all local REALTORS of the Year. Congratulations to Ayn Bartok on being named REALTOR of the Year!

Director of Real Estate Laurie Murphy and Deputy Director Jeremy Reed attended the 2024 Mid-Year Conference of the Association of Real Estate License Law Officials ("ARELLO") in New Orleans, Louisiana in April! ARELLO is the leading international organization that supports real estate regulatory agencies from the United States, Canada, New Zealand, and other countries.

Director Murphy facilitated the Real Estate Practices Roundtable and also holds a leadership position within the organization and helps ensure the State of Illinois has a seat at the table regarding national trends, policies, education, and consumer protections in the real estate industry.

As part of IDFPR's presence and leadership in real estate professions nationwide, Director of Real Estate Laurie Murphy and Deputy Director Jeremy Reed joined the Association of Appraiser Regulatory Officials at their 2024 Spring Conference in Nashville, Tennessee in May. Director Murphy was a featured presenter, highlighting the Division's use of an Appraisal Subcommittee Grant, which supports Appraisal programs in Illinois.

Deputy Director Jeremy Reed, Chief of Licensing and Education Nathaniel Chandler, and Chief of Real Estate Monica Gutierrez hosted a booth at the Illinois Realtors®(IR) Spring Conference and Expo in Bloomington on May 14 and 15. Attendees were able to check statuses on licenses, continuing education, renewal, update passwords, ask questions, and familiarize themselves with a few of our top Division of Real Estate team members.













EVENTS (continued from page 13)

The Division of Real Estate was busy on June 7 providing licensing and legislative updates at two events! First, Division of Real Estate Director Laurie Murphy, Deputy Director Jeremy Reed, and new Education Coordinator Nicole Moon presented for the Association of Illinois Real Estate Educators during their instructor training in Chicago. Then, Director Murphy presented for the Association of South Asian Real Estate Professionals that evening in Des Plaines.





Director of Real Estate Laurie Murphy served as a key presenter with Division and legislative updates at the Mainstreet Organization of REALTORS' Designated Managing Broker Event in Downers Grove on June 25. The event aims to equip Designated Managing Brokers with timely industry insights they can share with their agents.

We were honored to take <u>#IDFPROnTheRoad</u> to Waukegan on June 29 for the Government and Nonfor-Profit Resource Fair! Our team provided licensing updates and highlighted the many consumer resources IDFPR provides to the people of Illinois. You can find those resources on our website (idfpr.illinois.gov).

Many thanks to State Rep. Rita Mayfield, Senator Adriane Johnson, and Waukegan Township Supervisor Marc Jones for sponsoring this event!



Division Updates



EVENTS (continued from page 15)

The Division of Real Estate continued its "How to" Series with a presentation about "How to Become an Appraiser" at the Lake County National Association of Hispanic Real Estate Professionals Business Rally on July 25 in Round Lake Beach. Deputy General Counsel Gabriela Nicolau (pictured, left) and Operations Manager Jennifer Rossiter Moreno (second from right) outlined the path to licensure and fielded questions alongside expert appraisers Chris Posey and Bri Bridges.



The Division of Real Estate team was honored to gain insight into the latest legal trends and challenges at the inaugural Association of Real Estate License Law Officials' Legal Exchange in Carmel, Indiana! Director Laurie Murphy, Deputy Director Jeremy Reed, and Deputy General Counsel Gabriela Nicolau met with leading legal authorities this week to better develop the future of real estate law in Illinois.



QUARTERLY ENFORCEMENT REPORT

DIVISION OF REAL ESTATE ENFORCEMENT JANUARY – JUNE 2024

These enforcements actions were taken by DRE during January – June 2024. All enforcement actions by IDFPR may be found in our monthly enforcement reports <u>HERE</u>.

January 2024 IDFPR Enforcement Report (illinois.gov)

February 2024 IDFPR Enforcement Report (illinois.gov)

March 2024 IDFPR Enforcement Report (illinois.gov)

April 2024 IDFPR Enforcement Report (illinois.gov)

May 2024 IDFPR Enforcement Report (illinois.gov)

June 2024 IDFPR Enforcement Report (illinois.gov)

DRE BOARD OPENINGS

We are always looking for new board member candidates! It is imperative we maintain a diverse selection of expert board members representing a wide range of geographical regions in the State of Illinois. As terms expire and vacancies need to be filled, we encourage anyone interested to reach out and inquire how/why they may be a good fit for a board role.

Boards that currently have vacancies and/or upcoming term expirations include the following:

- Real Estate Administration and Disciplinary Board
 - o (1) Broker or Managing Broker
- Real Estate Appraisal Administration and Disciplinary Board
 - o (1) Certified Residential Real Estate Appraiser
 - o (1) Certified General Real Estate Appraiser
- Auction Advisory Board
 - o (2) Auctioneers
 - o (1) Real Estate Broker
- Community Association Manager Licensing and Disciplinary Board
 - o (2) Community Association Managers
 - o (1) Unit Owner

If you or someone you know is interested in serving on a Board, please email Jennifer Rossiter Moreno at <u>Jennifer</u>. <u>RossiterMoreno@illinois.gov</u> to receive information about basic qualifications and requirements to apply.

RENEWAL DEADLINES FOR 2024

- Real Estate Virtual Office Oct. 31
- Real Estate Branch Office Oct. 31
- Real Estate Broker Corporation Oct. 31
- Real Estate Broker Partnership Oct. 31
- Real Estate Limited Liability Firm Oct. 31
- Home Inspector Nov. 30
- Home Inspector Entity Nov. 30

- Auctioneer (Grandfathered) Dec. 31
- Auctioneer Dec. 31
- Appraisal Pre-License Course Dec. 31
- Appraisal CE Course Dec. 31
- Appraisal Management Dec. 31
- Appraisal Education Provider Dec. 31

REAL ESTATE SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY



Each fiscal year, IDFPR is authorized to fund at least \$15,000 to a scholarship program for historically marginalized persons who wish to pursue courses of study that will prepare them for careers relating to real estate or enhance the skills and knowledge that they currently use as real estate professionals (225 ILCS 454/25-25). The State of Illinois contracts with the Illinois Real Estate Educational Foundation ("ILREEF") to administer the Illinois Diversity Real Estate Scholarship Program. Since 2019, the Department has doubled the yearly funding amount to \$30,000. This allows ILREEF to award 60 scholarships each fiscal year to qualified residents of Illinois.

To learn more or apply, click the link below:

https://www.ilreef.org/scholarships/



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