

Pickens County Board of REALTORS®

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REALTOR® APPLICATION

Welcome and thank you for your interest in the Pickens County Board of REALTORS®! As a REALTOR® member of PCBR, 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 committee meetings for you to choose from based on your interests and needs.

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

COMMUNICATION

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

- www.pickensrealtors.com
- PCBR Newsletter Express emails
- Georgia REALTORS® Magazine
- NAR REALTOR® Magazine

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.

GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Membership in the Pickens County Board of REALTORS® makes you part of one of the most powerful and influential grassroots lobbying efforts in the country. Keep abreast of the latest local, state and federal real estate issues affecting the industry; and become involved.

MEMBER DISCOUNT PROGRAMS

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

NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES

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

PCBR EVENTS INCLUDE

- Monthly Luncheons held the 3rd Thursday of each month at Pueblo Cantina
- The Annual Holiday Party in December
- The Annual Board Picnic in September

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 Million Dollar Club was established to recognize agents and brokers for their volume production and outstanding and noteworthy transactions.

RESOURCES

- FMLS - www.fmls.com
- Georgia MLS - www.gamls.com
- Georgia Real Estate Commission - www.grec.state.ga.us
- GAR - www.garealtor.com
- NAR - www.realtor.org

**At the Pickens County Board of REALTORS®
it is all about you!**

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

Pickens County Board of REALTORS® - REALTOR® APPLICATION

MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

MEMBERSHIP IS GRANTED AFTER THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS ARE MET:

1. A completed membership application, including agent's signature and broker's signature, must be submitted to the Board.
2. Dues must be paid.*
3. New applicants must attend an Orientation class given by The Pickens County Board of REALTORS®. This must be done within six months upon completion of the application. If you are currently a member of another Georgia board, or have held membership in the past in the Pickens County Board, then your application will be sent directly to the Board of Directors and no Orientation is needed.**
4. The application must be approved by the Board of Directors.

After all the necessary requirements are met each new member will then be sent an approval letter informing them that they are members of the association, along with a membership certificate and membership card.

* 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.

**IMPORTANT MILLION DOLLAR CLUB INFORMATION

If you are interested in participating in the Pickens County Board of REALTORS® Million Dollar Club, you must attend an Orientation session within 6 months of making application to the Board in order to start counting your sales credit from the date your application was received in the Board office.

ORIENTATION

When is the next Orientation class?

Orientation is held the 2nd Wednesday of every other month from 9:30 am - 1:15 pm at the Atlanta REALTORS® Center, in Sandy Springs. Online registration is required and there is no fee.

Do I need to attend this Orientation class?

Yes - if you are a new applicant and have not previously held membership in the Pickens County Board of REALTORS®.

No - if you are transferring from another Board of REALTORS® and have already completed an orientation session.

2012 REALTOR DUES INFORMATION

January 1, 2012 - December 30, 2012

Annual membership dues for the Designated REALTOR® are calculated at \$390. Each licensed agent within the Designated REALTORS® office will also pay \$390 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 within 6 months before being approved for full membership.

DESIGNATED REALTOR®

Defined as: 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 as: 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 DUES STRUCTURE: PICKENS COUNTY DESIGNATED REALTOR® / REALTOR®

*Dues are subject to change for 2013

	Local Dues	State Dues	NAR Dues	TOTAL
January	\$162.00	\$73.00	\$155.00	\$390.00
February	\$148.50	\$66.92	\$145.00	\$360.42
March	\$135.00	\$60.83	\$135.00	\$330.83
April	\$121.50	\$54.75	\$125.00	\$301.25
May	\$108.00	\$48.67	\$115.00	\$271.67
June	\$94.50	\$42.58	\$105.00	\$242.08
July	\$81.00	\$36.50	\$95.00	\$212.50
August	\$67.50	\$30.42	\$85.00	\$182.92
September	\$54.00	\$24.33	\$75.00	\$153.33
October	\$40.50	\$18.25	\$65.00	\$123.75
November	\$162.00*	\$73.00	\$155.00	\$390.00
December	\$162.00*	\$73.00	\$155.00	\$390.00

Pickens County 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) _____

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 Pickens County Board of REALTORS® or applying for secondary membership in the PCBR.

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

Have you previously held membership in the Pickens County 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 Pickens County 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 Pickens County Board; State and National portions should have already been paid to the primary board for the current fiscal year. The Annual Membership dues are due on January of each year; however, applications received later than January 31st are calculated on a monthly pro-rated basis. Primary membership dues for the Pickens County Board of REALTORS® include dues to the Georgia Association of REALTORS® and the National Association of REALTORS®.

MEMBERSHIP YEAR

LOCAL: January 1 - December 31

STATE: January 1 - December 31

NATIONAL: January 1 - December 31

*Dues are subject to change for 2011

IMPORTANT

REMINDER:

This application is the first stage in becoming a Member of the Pickens County Board of REALTORS®. You must complete an Orientation course (held at the Board office each month; monthly notices will be sent out) before this application is approved for membership. This does not apply to past Pickens County Board members.

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EFFECTIVE MEMBERSHIP DATE FOR MILLION DOLLAR CLUB
VOLUME CREDIT:

If applicant completes the Orientation course within six months of application to the Board, the effective date shall be the date the application was received in the Board Office.

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 Pickens County 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 Pickens County Board of REALTORS®, and if required, I further agree to satisfactorily complete within SIX MONTHS time, an ORIENTATION COURSE and a reasonable and non discriminatory written examination on such Code, Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules and Regulations. 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 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.

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.

***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 Pickens County 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: Pickens County 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: _____