

APPLICATION FOR REALTOR® MEMBERSHIP

LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF REALTORS®, Inc.

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All Applicants

I hereby apply for: ☐ Primary **or** ☐ Secondary | ☐ REALTOR® **or** ☐ Designated REALTOR® Membership

Name: _____ Nickname: _____ D.O.B.: _____

Home address: _____
Street City State Zip Code

Home phone: _____ Cell phone: _____

Email (required): _____

Website (required. If none, please state): _____

Firm name: _____

Firm address: _____
Street City State Zip code

Firm phone: _____ Firm fax: _____

Firm web site: _____ Firm email: _____

Preferred mailing address: ☐ Firm ☐ Home ☐ Other/PO Box _____

Preferred phone: ☐ Firm ☐ Home Preferred email: ☐ Firm ☐ Home

☐ Broker ☐ Provisional Broker NC RE License #: _____ ☐ Appraiser NC Appraisal License # _____

How long with current real estate firm? _____ Previous real estate firm (if applicable) : _____

Do you hold or have you ever licenses in another state? (active or inactive) ☐ YES ☐ NO

If YES, Type of license _____ State _____ License number _____

If you are now or have ever been a REALTOR®, indicate your NAR membership (NRDS) #: _____

Are you presently a member of any other Association of REALTORS® in the country? ☐ YES ☐ NO If yes, name of BD/

Association and type of membership held. If you have paid dues for any part of this year to that Association, please state. _____

_____ How many years engaged in the real estate business? _____

Last date of completion for NAR's *Code of Ethics* training? _____

If you answer YES to either of the following questions, please attach an explanation

Have you been found in violation of state real estate licensing regulations within the last 3 years? ☐ YES ☐ NO

Have you ever been found in violation of the *Code of Ethics* or other membership duties in any Association of Realtors® in the past 3 years or are there any complaints pending? ☐ YES or ☐ NO

Designated Brokers/Branch Managers

The firm's Designated REALTOR® is assessed an annual fee for each active licensee employed by or affiliated with the firm who does not become a REALTOR®. Such licensees have no membership standing, receive no benefits, and may not use the term REALTOR®.

Are you a principal, partner, corporate officer or branch manager? ☐ YES ☐ NO-if yes you must complete the following section

Company Information: ☐ Sole Proprietor ☐ Partnership ☐ Corporation ☐ Limited Liability Company (LLC)

Your position: ☐ Principal ☐ Partner ☐ Corporate Officer ☐ Branch Office Manager

Names of other Partners/Officers of your firm: _____

Designated Brokers/Branch Managers (cont'd)

Is the Firm Address, as stated, your principal place of business? ☐ YES ☐ NO If not, or if this is a branch office, please indicate & give address _____

If you answer YES to either of the following questions, please attach an explanation

Has your firm been found in violation of state real estate licensing regulations in the last 3 years? ☐ YES ☐ NO

Have you or your firm been convicted, adjudged, or otherwise recorded as guilty by a final judgement of any court of competent jurisdiction of a felony or other crime. ☐ YES ☐ NO

Member Verification

All Applicants must sign

I authorize the association through its directors, committees and/or staff members to make such investigation of my character and credit as it may deem advisable. I acknowledge, consent and fully understand that information obtained as a result of investigation may be reported to the North Carolina Real Estate Commission. I shall not use any information obtained or furnished in connection with such investigation as the basis of any legal action for slander, libel or defamation of character.

For adequate value received and in consideration of being granted membership in the association, I irrevocably waive and release any claim or right of action that I may have or acquire against the association or any of its officers, directors or members, for any act performed in connection with the business of the association and, particularly, as to the acts of the association or any of its officers, directors, or members taken in approving or not approving, advancing, suspending, expelling or otherwise disciplining me as an applicant or member of the association. Further, as an express condition of being granted membership in the Association, I irrevocably waive and release any possible right that I may have to bring any cause of action or claim for libel, slander or defamation that may possibly arise from the filing or consideration of any arbitration request or any ethics complaint that may be brought against me by any Member or by the Grievance Committee of the Association.

I also acknowledge that if accepted as a member and I subsequently resign from the board or otherwise cause membership to terminate with an ethics complaint pending, the Board of Directors may condition renewal of membership upon my certification that I will submit to the pending ethics procedure and will abide by the decision of the hearing panel. If I resign or otherwise cause membership to terminate, the duty to submit to arbitration continues in effect even after my membership lapses or is terminated, provided the dispute arose while I was a Realtor®. Upon the termination of my membership for any cause, I will discontinue the use of the designation "Realtor®." I will also discontinue the use of any designations I have earned through the Realtor® organization.

The association reserves the right to object to any company name or Web site name proposed by a current or potential member, which in the association/MLS's sole discretion, is confusingly similar to any name used in commerce by the association/MLS that may leave the public confused.

Date: _____ Signature: _____

I CERTIFY THAT I HAVE READ THE ABOVE AND THAT ALL INFORMATION FURNISHED BY ME ON THIS APPLICATION IS TRUE AND CORRECT. I UNDERSTAND AND 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. I ALSO CERTIFY THAT I HAVE READ AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY THE CODE OF ETHICS AND THE LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF REALTORS® BYLAWS.

I agree to pay the established dues as long as I remain a member. I acknowledge that the present application and initial dues are prorated according to the schedule provided with this application and are due with this application. I hereby apply for REALTOR® Membership in the above-named board and am enclosing a **copy of my N. C. Real Estate License**, also a **copy of my pocket card** and **my check** in the amount of the onetime application fee and prorated dues amount. See attached schedule.

My application fee and dues will be returned to me in the event of non-election. Membership is final only upon approval by the Board of Directors and may be revoked should completion of requirements, such as orientation, not be completed within timeframe established in the association's bylaws. I understand that I will be required to complete periodic Code of Ethics training as specified in the association's bylaws as a continued condition of membership. *Designated REALTORS® please add additional 400.00 one-time Firm Fee (if not pre-existing member firm).*

Date: _____ Signature: _____