



Committee's and Council's 2025 Request to Serve Form

Being a member of an Association committee can be a source of personal and professional growth. Not only do you have the chance to meet and work with other REALTORS® and Preferred Business Partners, but you also can help guide YOUR professional trade association. As a non-profit organization, we depend upon the commitment of our members to keep our association strong. Committees, Task Forces, and Advisory Councils are the backbone of the Association as all programs and projects are sponsored and directed by those groups.

Please check out the volunteer opportunities listed below and check the line next to the group that best suits your skills and interests. No one will be assigned to more than two groups so please select only those that interest you. Appointments are for one year beginning on January 1. Every effort will be made to honor your request; however, some groups are limited in size and/or training requirements. All appointments are made and approved by the President. Please send your completed form to the association by November 30, 2024. Appointments are made annually so if you are currently serving you will need to reapply. You are not automatically re-appointed. You will be notified regarding your 2025 appointments.

I would like to be considered for appointment to the following committee, advisory council, or task force. I understand that appointments are made by the Association President and approved by the Board of Directors.

Name: _____ Firm: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Selection: Please indicate your interest in being appointed by writing "1", and/or "2" on the blank line. **No one will be given more than 2 assignments unless approved by the President. Committee assignments are made by the President.** Please keep in mind that some committees have limited availability, and some require special training (indicated with an *).

Standing Committees:

- _____ Grievance*
- _____ Finance*
- _____ Professional Standards*

Advisory Councils

- _____ Commercial/Industrial
- _____ Education
- _____ Brokers



Regular Committees:

- _____ Community Service
- _____ Diversity, Equity, Inclusion
- _____ Events
- _____ Member Engagement
- _____ Preferred Business Partner
- _____ RPAC/ Public Policy*
- _____ YPN

How many years have you worked in the real estate industry?

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| _____ Less than one year | _____ 11-15 years |
| _____ 1-5 years | _____ 15-20 years |
| _____ 6-10 years | _____ More than 20 years |

Please indicate your involvement in these fields:

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| _____ 100% Commercial | _____ Mostly residential, some commercial |
| _____ 100% Residential | _____ Mostly commercial, some residential |
| _____ 100% Property Management | _____ Other _____ |

Please indicate if you have served on any LR®'s Committees /Councils in the past. Please indicate the year

Thank You! Now that you have completed the form, there is one last step to complete.

Please return this form via fax to 863-688-8253 or e-mail to bbarnes@lakelandrealtors.org by 11/30/24



Committee & Council Descriptions



Standing Committees: These are established in the Association's Bylaws. Only REALTOR® members may serve on them.

Grievance: Comprised of REALTOR® members, the Grievance Committee reviews ethics complaints and arbitration requests. The Grievance Committee acts as a "Grand Jury" and determines if a hearing is warranted. Members of the Grievance Committee must complete a Professional Standards Workshop every year to be qualified to serve on the Committee (12/19/2024 from 10 am to 1 pm). **Glenn Offutt will serve as Chair for 2025.**

Finance: The Finance Committee is charged with recommending an annual budget to the Board of Directors as well as making recommendations regarding investments. The Association's Treasurer serves as the Chair of the Finance Committee. **Brandon Moore-Johnson will serve as Chair for 2025.**

Professional Standards: Comprised of REALTORS®, the Professional Standards Committee serves as members of the Hearing Panel in both Ethics and Arbitration cases. Members of the Professional Standards Committee must complete a Professional Standards Workshop every year to be qualified to serve on the Committee (12/19/2024 from 10 am to 1 pm). **Andrea Dockery will serve as Chair for 2025.**

Regular Committees: Both REALTORS® and Preferred Business Partner members may serve on regular committees.

Community Service: Plans projects beneficial to the community to create and maintain a positive public image for Lakeland REALTORS® and its members. **Christy Smith will serve as Chair for 2025.**

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion: Fosters the growth & development of diversity, equity, and inclusion amongst Lakeland Realtors® membership, leadership, and staff. Ensures every member, regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, religion, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, national origin, socioeconomic status, political affiliation, or any other qualities by which we define ourselves, is a valued member. Committed to bringing out the best in ourselves and celebrating our differences to achieve the highest level of professionalism and membership engagement. **Jamie Folks will serve as Chair for 2025.**

Events: The Events Committee plans, coordinates, and arranges the major charity events. They also recommend which local charity receives the proceeds of the charity event from the Board of Directors for approval. The committee may plan or assist with any other REALTOR® functions. **Julie McMillan will serve as Chair for 2025.**

Member Engagement: The Member Engagement Committee aims to optimize the membership experience for all members. To personalize and develop relationships between the association and REALTOR® members to enhance member satisfaction. **Christine Hubbert will serve as Chair for 2025.**

Preferred Business Partner: The Committee aims to strengthen the Affiliate/REALTOR® relationship. Preferred Business Partner members are invited to participate. **Lynda Mattson will serve as Chair for 2025.**

RPAC/Public Policy: Encourages members to contribute to RPAC and to become involved in the political process; arrange fundraising activities; and promote a positive political agenda at the Local, State, and National levels. Charged with keeping abreast of issues of importance to the members and the industry; monitors ordinances and legislation; keeps members aware of actions affecting the real estate industry; and interviews candidates on an as-needed basis for possible endorsement. **Christie Weeks will serve as Chair for 2025.**

YPN: The YPN Committee is a valuable resource for those who wish to build relationships with peers, advance their careers, and make a difference in their industry, community, and professional associations. Although called the "Young Professionals Network, YPN is open to all LR members. **Jazzmen Bey will serve as Chair for 2025.**

Advisory Councils:

Commercial: The Commercial Council meets quarterly to discuss issues of concern to commercial members. Meetings are open to all members. **David Hungerford will serve as Chair for 2025.**

Education: Meets as needed to share information regarding the current educational needs of REALTOR® members so that the association's education offerings are needs-based and timely. Open to REALTOR® members only. **Daniel McFee will serve as Chair for 2025.**

Brokers: The Council is open to all Designated REALTOR® members. The Council meets quarterly to discuss topics of concern. **Trevor Puskar will serve as Chair for 2025.**