

PENSACOLA ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS®, Inc.
CONSENT TO SERVE

as an Officer or Director commencing January 1, 2024

1. I understand that by submitting this form, I consent to have my name submitted to the Nominating Committee to be considered as a candidate for the position of either an officer or director member of the Board of Directors of the Pensacola Association of Realtors® for 2024, and that this information will be posted on the Internet. I further understand that all candidates must be interviewed by the Nominating Committee.

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2. I wish to interview for the position of:

President-Elect Secretary/Treasurer Director

3. Please provide the following information:

Number of years as a member of PAR Five (5) years Eight (8) months

Number of years in the real estate business Five (5) years Eight (8) months

Real Estate Specialty (e.g., residential, commercial, property management, etc.)

Commercial Real Estate

Have you received any disciplinary action from the Florida Real Estate Commission or been found Guilty of violating one or more Article of the Realtor® Code of Ethics within the past 3 years from the date of this application? Yes No

If Yes, please explain including date and details. If you need more space, please use additional sheets. Non-Applicable

4. What do you believe is the biggest challenge facing our Association today?

The industry is experiencing a lot of change. There are some variables that make the Pensacola Association of REALTORS® (PAR) area unique. PAR needs to continue attracting, engaging and retaining real estate professionals active in the area.

5. If elected, how would you recommend the association respond to this challenge? (please be as specific as possible)

PAR has many opportunities such as committees, educational, professional development and events that provide engagement and support opportunities for PAR REALTORS®. As a member, committee member and Director lead by example continue to actively support the officers, board of directors and staff participating and promoting in these opportunities.

6. As a director or officer, you will be expected to attend monthly Directors meetings and selected other events throughout the year. Do you understand and agree to do so?

Yes No

7. Do you support and contribute to RPAC? Yes No

7a. If "yes", how much have you contributed in 2022 and how much have you contributed in 2023? **\$490**

2022: **\$70**

2023: **\$490**

7b. If "no", please explain: **Non-Applicable**

7c. Would you pledge to become at least a \$99 Club contribute each year you serve as an officer and/or director of the Association? Yes No

8. As an officer or director of the Board, you will be representing the organization. Will you support positions taken by the PAR Board of Directors, even if you opposed the positions when they were being considered by the Board of Directors? Yes No

If challenged, how will you respond to a member if asked about your personal feelings versus the Association's position?

Publicly and privately support of PAR Board of Directors position and actions is critical to moving the organization. Boards of Directors will and do not always agree on everything, and board work requires questions, discussions and more. Using "best practices", established processes and procedures decisions will be made appropriately for the betterment of the Association. Personal feelings are human however must not undermine Board positions in any way such as responding or sharing in some cases confidential and proprietary information to member inquiries that differ.

9. Please describe, in your own words, your perception of the role of the position for which you seek to be elected, and the reasons you feel **you** are best qualified to serve in this position.

The role of being elected as a Board Director is an important "best practice to move the Association forward. There must be a "deep bench" and continuous succession plan of volunteers

like me willing to actively participate, volunteer time and share my diverse background to strengthen the Board of Directors and Association for all stakeholders. From the time I joined as a member I have participated as an active member of the REALTORS® Commercial Alliance, member, Vice-Chair, Chair, member, active member of the Governmental Affairs Committee, active member of Professional Development Committee and participate in association events and activities. After serving as a Board of Director (BOD) for a one (1) year term, the next logical step is for me to serve for a full three (3) year term. I will continue learning and gaining a comprehensive understanding how the Association Board of Directors operates including strengths, opportunities, and developmental needs. This will prepare me to be part of and or Vice Chair/Chair of other committees and become an Officer when appropriate. Over the years I have volunteered and typically held every officer position for industry (CleanTech Energy, Disruptive Tech) associated boards and non-profit boards.

10. Please list any prior service to the REALTOR® organization and/or the community you would like the Nominating Committee to be aware of.

Association of Energy Engineers Senior Member held all board positions: Regional Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Vice-President Elect, and President of New Jersey Chapter
Peak Load Management Alliance: Board Member, Communications Chair
Committee Member, Chairs of Buildings & Grounds, Development, Technology, Board of Trustees for Independent Private School Creative Learning Academy
Committee Member, Director, Secretary, Vice President, President of the former Pensacola Junior Yacht Club 501c3
Volunteer and a CivicCon Founding Member 2022 Volunteer of the Year

11. Service to PAR, FR, or NAR:

Committee Name	Dates Served	Position
REALTORS® Commercial Alliance	2017- Present	Member
REALTORS® Commercial Alliance	2021 – 2022	Vice Chair
REALTORS® Commercial Alliance	2022 – 2022	Chair
REALTORS® Commercial Alliance	2022 – Present	Member
Governmental Affairs	2022 – Present	Member
Professional Development	2023 – Present	Member

12. Community Service Involvement:

- Volunteer and a CivicCon Founding Member, 2022 Volunteer of the Year
- Volunteer Mentor at Entrepreneurial Programs for Veterans at University of West Florida
- Entrepreneurship Ecosystem Group associated with Florida West and Co-Lab
- gBETA Pensacola Mentor

Small Business Development Center (SBDC) at UWF Volunteer PPP Loan & Grant Committee

By signing below I certify that the information provided above is true and accurate, that I have been a member for at least three years, and have not been found guilty of any Ethics violations during that time.

Date 7/10/2023

Signature



Please note the following key points about the Consent to Serve forms and nomination process:

- All candidates for either an officer or director position, including those who may choose to be nominated from the floor, must submit a **Consent to Serve** form **and** be interviewed by the Nominating Committee.
- The Nominating Committee is scheduled to interview candidates on Friday, July 14, 2023 beginning at 9 a.m. at the PAR office.
- In order to provide adequate time to duplicate applications and schedule interviews, we would like to receive all **Consent To Serve** forms at PAR by the end of business day on Wednesday, July 12, 2023.
- Forms received after July 12, 2023 will still be accepted, however priority consideration for interview scheduling will be given to applications received on or before that date.

Please either fax (850.432.2615) or email (laurie@pensacolarealtors.org) completed forms to Laurie Moritz at PAR. Once submitted, please call Laurie (850.434.5507) to verify PAR has received your form.