

# Committees in 2011: Learn, Join, Attend

(Open to all members as noted: Mark a check or an X near your preferences.)

## \_\_\_\_\_ EDUCATION ADVISORY GROUP (Open to all members)

Committee advises the NVAR Education Department on possible curriculum topics such as career development, continuing education, post licensing education, designations, and various courses to meet membership needs. Group meets three times a year – January, May, and November. To express interest, please contact Renee Brown at 703.207.3204 or [rbrown@nvar.com](mailto:rbrown@nvar.com).

## \_\_\_\_\_ COMMUNITY OUTREACH COMMITTEE (Open to all members)

The Community Outreach Committee is responsible for communicating the valuable services Realtors® provide to buyers and sellers. The group strives to educate the public about the opportunities of homeownership while ensuring that buyers' and sellers' rights are protected. Committee members also participate in community events that promote homeownership and work to sponsor seminars geared to diverse audiences. To express interest, please contact Tracy Reynolds at 703.207.3206 or [treynolds@nvar.com](mailto:treynolds@nvar.com).

## \_\_\_\_\_ BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE (Open to all members)

Committee members build the annual budget, ensure that the association's activities comply with the annual budget, maintain the financial integrity of the association and review and recommend Board of Directors' action as needed. Committee is also responsible for the Annual Audit and Management Review. To express interest, please contact Jim Foster at 703.207.3254 or [jfoster@nvar.com](mailto:jfoster@nvar.com).

## \_\_\_\_\_ GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE (Open to all Realtor® members)

The committee tracks legislative activities at all levels of government and recommends policy positions to the NVAR Board of Directors. Committee members assist in planning special legislative events, such as the legislative reception and the annual trip to the state Capitol, and mobilizing grassroots participation in calls-for-action on issues campaigns. To express interest, please contact Mary Beth Coya at 703.207.3250 or [mbcoya@nvar.com](mailto:mbcoya@nvar.com).

## \_\_\_\_\_ NV/RPAC CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE (open to all current NV/RPAC contributors)

The Northern Virginia/Realtors® Political Action Campaign Committee is in charge of the annual political fundraising campaign from January to July. Committee members will assist the Campaign Chair in planning fundraising activities and promoting the benefits of NV/RPAC to fellow Realtors®. Contributions raised are used by the NV/RPAC Trustees to support Realtor®-friendly candidates and issues of importance to the real estate community. To express interest, please contact Mary Beth Coya at 703.207.3250 or [mbcoya@nvar.com](mailto:mbcoya@nvar.com).

## **Please note the prerequisite for membership in these committees:**

## \_\_\_\_\_ STANDARD FORMS COMMITTEE (*NVAR Members of five years or more may apply.*)

*COMMITTEE FULL FOR 2011.* Responsible for creating, reviewing and revising the standard forms developed by NVAR for members. The committee ensures that forms remain in compliance with federal, state and local laws. Committee members should be prepared to commit themselves to attending at least nine monthly meetings a year. To express interest, please contact Sarah Louppe Petcher at 703.207.3214 or [spetcher@nvar.com](mailto:spetcher@nvar.com).

**GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE** (*NVAR Members of five years or more may apply.*)

*COMMITTEE FULL FOR 2011.* Committee is responsible for reviewing written complaints involving a possible violation of the Code of Ethics. Volunteers must attend mandatory training in order to serve on the committee. The committee meets once a month. Members should be prepared to attend at least nine monthly meetings per year. Review of cases in advance of meetings required. Most members bring their laptops to the meeting to access the cases. To express interest, please contact Leslie Dickemann at 703.207.3212 or [ldickemann@nvar.com](mailto:ldickemann@nvar.com).

       **ARBITRATION COMMITTEE** (*Prerequisite: NVAR Members of five years or more who have previously served on the Grievance Committee*)

*COMMITTEE FULL FOR 2011.* Previous service on the Grievance Committee, Professional Standards Committee or Board of Directors is required. Committee is responsible for hearing claims involving Realtors® regarding contractual and/or procuring cause disputes that arise out of real estate transactions. The full committee attends a mandatory training session in January and then five-member panels meet throughout the year to hear specific cases. To express interest, please contact Sarah Louppe Petcher at 703.207.3214 or [spetcher@nvar.com](mailto:spetcher@nvar.com).

       **PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS COMMITTEE** (*Prerequisite: NVAR Members of seven years or more who have previously served on the Grievance Committee*)

*COMMITTEE FULL FOR 2011.* Previous service on the Grievance Committee, Arbitration Committee or Board of Directors is required. Committee Members are responsible for serving on the hearing panels that are convened to hear disciplinary cases that have been forwarded by the Grievance Committee for a formal hearing. All volunteers are required to attend a mandatory training session in order to be eligible to serve on a hearing panel. In addition to attending the training, committee members serve on two to five panels each year. To express interest, please contact Sarah Louppe Petcher at 703.207.3214 or [spetcher@nvar.com](mailto:spetcher@nvar.com).

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# Business Specialties & Realtor® Forums

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## \_\_\_\_\_REALTOR® FORUMS

Sign up today to join our new networking and educational member forums. Our goal is to provide you with cutting-edge education, while expanding your professional network. We currently offer Hispanic, Korean and Vietnamese Realtor® Forums. For more information, please contact Tracy Reynolds at 703.207.3206 or e-mail: [RealtorsForums@nvar.com](mailto:RealtorsForums@nvar.com).

## BUSINESS SPECIALTIES

Open to all NVAR members, Business Specialty groups are open forums that provide education and networking opportunities focused on specific segments of the real estate industry.

## \_\_\_\_\_APPRAISAL FORUM

Encourages the advancement of the professional status of Realtor® Appraisers through education and professional appraisal societies. Promotes positive interaction between appraisers and real estate sales associates for their common benefit. Reviews problems associated with the appraisal of real property; recommends action. To express interest, please contact Vika Mitchell at 703.207.3210 or [vmitchell@nvar.com](mailto:vmitchell@nvar.com).

## \_\_\_\_\_GLOBAL BUSINESS FORUM

Guides real estate professionals in expanding their personal and professional presence beyond today's transparent country borderlines. Works towards creating new business opportunities by marketing local properties worldwide, assisting investors purchasing real property in the US, as well as offering international options to local clients. To express interest, please contact Tracy Reynolds at 703.207.3206 or [treynolds@nvar.com](mailto:treynolds@nvar.com).

## \_\_\_\_\_REAL ESTATE FINANCE & SETTLEMENTS FORUM

Monitors current financial and regional market trends. Disseminates relevant finance information to the general membership through NVAR publications and educational seminars. Activities include annual Economic Summit and quarterly member events. To express interest, please contact Jill Landsman at 703.207.3226 or [jlandsman@nvar.com](mailto:jlandsman@nvar.com).

## \_\_\_\_\_COMMERCIAL COUNCIL

Meetings feature information sessions for Realtors® involved in commercial transactions. Guest speakers present the latest trends, economic forecasts and other issues relevant to commercial real estate. To express interest, please contact Tracy Reynolds at 703.207.3206 or [treynolds@nvar.com](mailto:treynolds@nvar.com).

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