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Tony Evers, Governor Dan Hereth, Secretary

VIRTUAL/TELECONFERENCE REAL ESTATE EXAMINING BOARD Virtual, 4822 Madison Yards Way, Madison Will Johnson (608) 266-2112 February 27, 2025

The following agenda describes the issues that the Board plans to consider at the meeting. At the time of the meeting, items may be removed from the agenda. Please consult the meeting minutes for a record of the actions of the Board.

AGENDA

10:00 A.M.

OPEN SESSION – CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL

- A. Adoption of Agenda (1-4)
- B. Approval of Minutes of December 5, 2024 (5-8)
- C. Introductions, Announcements, and Recognition
 1. Introduction and Welcome DSPS Secretary Hereth
- D. Reminders: Conflicts of Interest, Scheduling Concerns

E. Administrative Matters – Discussion and Consideration

- 1. Department, Staff and Board Updates
- 2. 2025 Meeting Dates (9)
- 3. Annual Policy Review (10-12)
- 4. Elections, Appointment of Liaisons and Alternates, Delegation of Authorities (13-30)
- 5. Board Members Term Expiration Dates
 - a. Berry, Jeffery K. 7/1/2026
 - b. Kaleka, Gurmit S. 7/1/2025
 - c. Lacy, Cathy J 7/1/2025
 - d. Lauer, Elizabeth A. -7/1/2026
 - e. Mays, Sonya G. 7/1/2028
 - f. Pierce, Dennis M. 7/1/2013
 - g. Richie, Thomas J. 7/1/2026
- F. Legislative and Policy Matters Discussion and Consideration

G. Administrative Rules Matters – Discussion and Consideration (31-48)

- 1. Rule drafting discussion for REEB 12 on Application Requirements (32-39)
- 2. Rule drafting discussion for REEB 24 on Conduct and Ethical Practices (40-47)
- 3. Pending or possible rulemaking projects (48)
- H. Disciplinary Trends in Real Estate Discussion and Consideration
- I. Practice Considerations Antitrust Settlement
- J. Report and Possible Action from the Real Estate Contractual Forms Advisory Council – Discussion and Consideration (49-57)
 - 1. Pre-Agency Agreement Form
- K. Newsletter Matters Discussion and Consideration
- L. Discussion and Consideration of Items Added After Preparation of Agenda:
 - 1. Introductions, Announcements and Recognition
 - 2. Administrative Matters
 - 3. Election of Officers
 - 4. Appointment of Liaisons and Alternates
 - 5. Delegation of Authorities
 - 6. Education and Examination Matters
 - 7. Credentialing Matters
 - 8. Practice Matters
 - 9. Legislative and Policy Matters
 - 10. Public Health Emergencies
 - 11. Administrative Rule Matters
 - 12. Liaison Reports
 - 13. Board Liaison Training and Appointment of Mentors
 - 14. Informational Items
 - 15. Division of Legal Services and Compliance (DLSC) Matters
 - 16. Presentations of Petitions for Summary Suspension
 - 17. Petitions for Designation of Hearing Examiner
 - 18. Presentation of Stipulations, Final Decisions and Orders
 - 19. Presentation of Proposed Final Decisions and Orders
 - 20. Presentation of Interim Orders
 - 21. Petitions for Re-Hearing
 - 22. Petitions for Assessments
 - 23. Petitions to Vacate Orders
 - 24. Requests for Disciplinary Proceeding Presentations
 - 25. Motions
 - 26. Petitions
 - 27. Appearances from Requests Received or Renewed
 - 28. Speaking Engagements, Travel, or Public Relation Requests, and Reports

M. Public Comments

CONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION to deliberate on cases following hearing (s. 19.85(1)(a), Stats.); to consider licensure or certification of individuals (s. 19.85(1)(b), Stats.); to consider closing disciplinary investigations with administrative warnings (ss. 19.85(1)(b), and 440.205, Stats.); to consider individual histories or disciplinary data (s. 19.85(1)(f), Stats.); and to confer with legal counsel (s. 19.85(1)(g), Stats.).

N. Deliberation on Department of Legal Services and Compliance (DLSC) Matters

- 1. Proposed Stipulations, Final Decisions and Orders
 - a. 22 REB 102 Mark L. Wagner and Hilgart Realty Inc. (58-64)
 - b. 22 REB 105 John P. Spiegel (65-71)
 - c. 22 REB 125 Perry L. Hall (72-77)
 - d. 24 REB 0144 Kierra Wilson (78-83)
- 2. Administrative Warnings
 - a. 21 REB 078 B.K. **(84-85)**
 - b. 22 REB 026 L.G.S. (86-87)
 - c. 22 REB 026 J.T.O., O.R.E. (88-89)
 - d. 22 REB 103 J.V.A. (90-91)
 - e. 23 REB 030 S.S.D. (92-93)
 - f. 23 REB 098 R.S.H. (94-96)
 - g. 23 REB 168 M.L.G. (97-99)
 - h. 24 REB 016 D.L.C., E.R. (100-101)
 - i. 24 REB 016 R.E.W. (102-103)
 - j. 24 REB 0174 J.F.L.J. (104-105)
- 3. Case Closings
 - a. 22 REB 075 J.M., E.R., T.P., L.R. (106-112)
 - b. 22 REB 086 D.M., R.W. (113-117)
 - c. 22 REB 102 J.D., N.H.R.P.C. (118-125)
 - d. 23 REB 030 G.C. (126-129)
 - e. 23 REB 095 J.E., S.R., J.H. (130-135)
 - f. 23 REB 096 R.C.R, D.L.C., E.R. (136-142)
 - g. 23 REB 140 A.B., J.K., C.R.G. (143-149)
 - h. 23 REB 152 K.R.B. (150-153)
 - i. 24 REB 0177 H.H.R.E., P.H. (154-158)

O. Order Fixing Costs

- 1. Dylan J. Brannon (DHA Case Number SPS-22-0041/ DLSC Case Number 21 REB 080) (159-177)
- P. Deliberation of Items Added After Preparation of the Agenda
 - 1. Education and Examination Matters
 - 2. Credentialing Matters
 - 3. DLSC Matters
 - 4. Monitoring Matters
 - 5. Professional Assistance Procedure (PAP) Matters
 - 6. Petitions for Summary Suspensions
 - 7. Petitions for Designation of Hearing Examiner
 - 8. Proposed Stipulations, Final Decisions and Order

- 9. Proposed Interim Orders
- 10. Administrative Warnings
- 11. Review of Administrative Warnings
- 12. Proposed Final Decisions and Orders
- 13. Matters Relating to Costs/Orders Fixing Costs
- 14. Case Closings
- 15. Board Liaison Training
- 16. Petitions for Assessments and Evaluations
- 17. Petitions to Vacate Orders
- 18. Remedial Education Cases
- 19. Motions
- 20. Petitions for Re-Hearing
- 21. Appearances from Requests Received or Renewed
- Q. Consulting with Legal Counsel

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING CLOSED SESSION

- R. Vote on Items Considered or Deliberated Upon in Closed Session, if Voting is Appropriate
- S. Open Session Items Noticed Above Not Completed in the Initial Open Session

ADJOURNMENT

NEXT MEETING: APRIL 24, 2025

MEETINGS AND HEARINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC, AND MAY BE CANCELLED WITHOUT NOTICE.

Times listed for meeting items are approximate and depend on the length of discussion and voting. All meetings are held virtually unless otherwise indicated. In-person meetings are typically conducted at 4822 Madison Yards Way, Madison, Wisconsin, unless an alternative location is listed on the meeting notice. In order to confirm a meeting or to request a complete copy of the board's agenda, please visit the Department website at https://dsps.wi.gov. The board may also consider materials or items filed after the transmission of this notice. Times listed for the commencement of any agenda item may be changed by the board for the convenience of the parties. The person credentialed by the board has the right to demand that the meeting at which final action may be taken against the credential be held in open session. Requests for interpreters for the hard of hearing, or other accommodations, are considered upon request by contacting the Affirmative Action Officer or reach the Meeting Staff by calling 608-267-7213.

VIRTUAL\TELECONFERENCE REAL ESTATE EXAMINING BOARD MEETING MINUTES DECEMBER 5, 2024

- **PRESENT:** Jeffery Berry, Gurmit Kaleka (*arrived 10:04 a.m.*), Cathy Lacy, Elizabeth Lauer, Sonya Mays, Dennis Pierce, Thomas Richie
- **STAFF:** Will Johnson, Executive Director; Renee Parton, Legal Counsel; Jake Pelegrin, Administrative Rule Coordinator; Dialah Azam, Board Administration Specialist; and Other Department Staff

CALL TO ORDER

Thomas Richie, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. A quorum was confirmed with six (6) members present.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Amendments to the Agenda:

- ADD initials O.D.L. to agenda item N.3.g
 - **MOTION:** Dennis Pierce moved, seconded by Cathy Lacy, to adopt the Agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

(Gurmit Kaleka arrived at 10:04 a.m.)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF OCTOBER 17, 2024

MOTION: Dennis Pierce moved, seconded by Thomas Richie, to approve the Minutes of October 17, 2024 as published. Motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE RULES MATTERS

Discussion of Biennial Rules Report under s. 227.29 (1) Stats., on board rules which may be unauthorized, obsolete, or duplicative

MOTION: Cathy Lacy moved, seconded by Thomas Richie, to authorize the Chair to approve the 2025 Biennial Rules Report under s. 227.29 (1), Stats., on board rules which may be unauthorized, obsolete, or duplicative. Motion carried unanimously.

CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Cathy Lacy moved, seconded by Jeffery Berry, to convene to closed session to deliberate on cases following hearing (s. 19.85(1)(a), Stats.); to consider licensure or certification of individuals (s. 19.85(1)(b), Stats.); to consider closing disciplinary investigations with administrative warnings (ss. 19.85(1)(b), and 440.205, Stats.); to consider individual histories or disciplinary data (s. 19.85(1)(f), Stats.); and to confer with legal counsel

(s. 19.85(1)(g), Stats.). Thomas Richie, Chairperson, read the language of the motion. The vote of each member was ascertained by voice vote. Roll Call Vote: Jeffery Berry-yes; Gurmit Kaleka-yes; Cathy Lacy -yes; Elizabeth Lauer-yes; Sonya Mays-yes; Dennis Pierce-yes; and Thomas Richie-yes. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board convened into Closed Session at 11:30 a.m.

DIVISION OF LEGAL SERVICES AND COMPLIANCE (DLSC) MATTERS

Proposed Stipulations, Final Decisions and Orders

- **MOTION:** Jeffery Berry moved, seconded by Thomas Richie, to adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order in the matter of disciplinary proceedings of the following cases:
 - 1. 21 REB 097 Andrew R. Bandy
 - 2. 22 REB 008 Jeff S. Konig
 - 3. 22 REB 033 Jeremy Huber & Impact Companies LLC Motion carried unanimously.

Administrative Warnings

MOTION:	Elizabeth Lauer moved, seconded by Jeffery Berry, to issue an
	Administrative Warning in the following DLSC Cases:

- a) 22 REB 033 R.J.B.
- b) 23 REB 001 K.N.
- c) 23 REB 006 S.M.S. & S.R.I.L.
- d) 24 REB 0101–S.G.E. & R.E.P.S.L.

Motion carried unanimously.

24 REB 0109 – S.M.D.

MOTION: Thomas Richie moved, seconded by Cathy Lacy, to close DLSC Case Number 24 REEB 0109 against S.M.D. for prosecutorial discretion (P1). Motion carried unanimously.

Case Closings

- **MOTION:** Cathy Lacy moved, seconded by Jeffery Berry, to close the following DLSC Cases for the reasons outlined below:
 - a) 22 REB 008 L.R.A., M.G.S., J.R.E.L. No Violation
 - b) 22 REB 114 D.L.C., R.M.R., E.R.L. No Violation
 - c) 22 REB 118 C.R.K., M.R.M., K.I.L., J.K.P., A.R.R., R.R.G. No Violation
 - d) 23 REB 001 D.L.C., D.X., E.R.L. No Violation
 - e) 23 REB 013 D.L.B. & P.C.R.L. Insufficient Evidence
 - f) 23 REB 023 T.F.J., M.B.R., L.C.L. Prosecutorial Discretion (P1)
 - g) 23 REB 150 J.S., B.J.S., O.D.L. Insufficient Evidence

Motion carried unanimously.

DELIBERATION ON PROPOSED FINAL DECISION AND ORDERS

Lane H. Fitzgerald – (DHA Case Number SPS-23-0048/DLSC Case Number 20 REB 089)

- MOTION: Cathy Lacy moved, seconded by Jeffery Berry, to adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Proposed Decision and Order, with Variance in the matter of disciplinary proceedings against Lane H. Fitzgerald, Respondent DHA Case Number SPS-23-0048/DLSC Case Number 20 REB 089.
- **MOTION:** Jeffery Berry moved, seconded by Cathy Lacy, to find the Division established by a preponderance of evidence that Respondent Lane H. Fitzgerald violated Wis. Stat. § 452.133(1)(b) and (4m)(a) and Wis. Admin. Code § REEB 16.06(8) in DHA Case Number SPS-23-0048/DLSC Case Number 20 REB 089. Motion carried unanimously.

(Thomas Richie recused himself and left the room for deliberation and voting in the matter concerning Lane H. Fitzgerald, Respondent – DHA Case Number SPS-23-0048/DLSC Case Number 20 REB 089.)

ORDER FIXING COSTS

<u>Courtney K. Kelbel and WI Realty Services, LLC – (DHA Case Number SPS-22-0064/DLSC Case Number 18 REB 079)</u>

MOTION: Cathy Lacy moved, seconded by Elizabeth Lauer, to adopt the Order Fixing Costs in the matter of disciplinary proceedings against Courtney K. Kelbel and WI Realty Services, LLC, Respondents – DHA Case Number SPS-22-0064/DLSC Case Number 18 REB 079. Motion carried unanimously.

(Thomas Richie recused himself and left the room for deliberation and voting in the matter concerning Courtney K. Kelbel and WI Realty Services, LLC, Respondents – DHA Case Number SPS-22-0064/DLSC Case Number 18 REB 079.)

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

MOTION: Elizabeth Lauer moved, seconded by Cathy Lacy, to reconvene into Open Session. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board reconvened into Open Session at 1:05 p.m.

VOTE ON ITEMS CONSIDERED OR DELIBERATED UPON IN CLOSED SESSION, IF VOTING IS APPROPRIATE

MOTION: Jeffery Berry moved, seconded by Cathy Lacy, to affirm all motions made and votes taken in Closed Session. Motion carried unanimously.

(Be advised that any recusals or abstentions reflected in the closed session motions stand for the purposes of the affirmation vote.)

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Cathy Lacy moved, seconded by Sonya Mays, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 1:06 p.m.

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Meeting Date	Start time	Location	Agenda Item Deadline
Thursday, February 27, 2025	10:00 AM	Virtual	2/17/25
Thursday, April 24, 2025	10:00 AM	Virtual	4/14/25
Thursday, June 26, 2025	10:00 AM	Hybrid	6/16/25
Thursday, August 28, 2025	10:00 AM	Virtual	8/18/25
Thursday, October 30, 2025	10:00 AM	Hybrid	10/20/25
Thursday, December 4, 2025	10:00 AM	Virtual	11/21/25

REAL ESTATE EXAMINING BOARD 2025 MEETING DATES

State of Wisconsin Department of Safety & Professional Services

AGENDA REQUEST FORM

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Timeline of a Meeting

8 business days prior to the meeting: All agenda materials are due to the Department by 12:00 pm, 8 business days prior to the meeting date.

7 business days prior to the meeting: The draft agenda page is due to the Executive Director. The Executive Director transmits to the Chair for review and approval.

5 business days prior to the meeting: The approved agenda is returned to the Board Administration Specialist for agenda packet production and compilation.

4 business days prior to the meeting: Agenda packets are posted on the DSPS Board SharePoint site and on the Department website.

Agenda Item Examples:

- \circ $\;$ Approval of the Agenda and previous meeting Minutes $\;$
- o Open Session Items
 - Public Hearings (relating to Administrative Rules)
 - Administrative Matters
 - Legislation and Policy Matters
 - Administrative Rules Matters
 - Credentialing Matters
 - Education and Exam Issues
 - Public Agenda Requests
 - Current Issues Affecting the Profession
 - Public Comments
- o Closed Session items
 - Deliberations on Proposed Disciplinary Actions
 - Stipulations
 - Administrative Warnings
 - Case Closings
 - Monitoring Matters
 - Professional Assistance Procedure (PAP) Issues
 - Proposed Final Decisions and Orders
 - Orders Fixing Costs/Matters Relating to Costs
 - Credentialing Matters
 - Education and Exam Issues

Thursday of the Week Prior to the Meeting: Agendas are published for public notice on the Public Notices and Meeting Minutes website: **publicmeetings.wi.gov**.

1 business day after the Meeting: "Action" lists are distributed by staff detailing board actions on closed session business.

5 business days after the Meeting: "To Do" lists are distributed to staff to ensure that board decisions are acted on and/or implemented within the appropriate divisions in the Department. Minutes approved by the board are published on the the Public Notices and Meeting Minutes website: **publicmeetings.wi.gov**.

Department of Safety and Professional Services PER DIEM REPORT

INSTRUCTIONS: Record board-related activities by date, indicate relevant purpose code, the duration of time spent in B-code activities, location, and activity description. Only one \$25.00 per diem payment will be issued on any given calendar day. Submit one form per month and within 60 days of the last activity being reported. Send completed forms to your Board's Administrative Specialist.

Purpose Codes:

- A CODE Official meetings including Board Meetings, Hearings and Examinations and Test Development Sessions (automatic day of per diem) Examples: board, committee, board training or screening panels; Senate Confirmation hearings, legislative and disciplinary hearings, or informal settlement conferences; test administration, test review or analysis events, national testing events, tour of test facilities, etc.
- **B CODE** Other (One (1) per diem will be issued for every five (5) hours spent in category B, per calendar month): i.e., review of disciplinary cases, consultation on cases, review of meeting materials, board liaison work, e.g., contacts regarding Monitoring, Professional Assistance Procedure, Credentialing, Education and Examinations

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TOTALS				

CLAIMANT'S CERTIFICATION The Board/Council member named above, certifies, in accordance with § 16.53, Wis. Stats., that this account for per diem, is just and correct; and that this claim is for service necessarily incurred in the performance of duties required by the State, as authorized by law. (Rev.04/24)

Board Member Approval & Date:

TOTAL DAYS CLAIMED: ______ @ \$25.00 = _____

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Real Estate Examining Board 2024 Officers and Liaisons

2024 OFFICERS				
Chairperson Thomas Richie				
Vice Chairperson	Elizabeth Lauer			
Secretary	Dennis Pierce			

LIAISON APPOINTMENTS				
Credentialing Liaison(s)	Elizabeth Lauer Alternate: Thomas Richie			
Education and Examinations Liaison(s)	Cathy Lacy <i>Alternate</i> : Sonya Mays			
Monitoring Liaison(s)	Elizabeth Lauer Alternate: Jeffery Berry			
Professional Assistance Procedure (PAP) Liaison(s)	Gurmit Kaleka Alternate: Dennis Pierce			
Legislative Liaison(s)	Sonya Mays, Thomas Richie			
Travel Authorization Liaison(s)	Dennis Pierce Alternate: Elizabeth Lauer			
Newsletter Liaison(s)	Sonya Mays, Thomas Richie			
Website Liaison(s)	Cathy Lacy Alternate: Gurmit Kaleka			
COMMITTEE MEMBER APPOINTMENTS				
Real Estate Contractual Forms Advisory Committee Chairperson	Sonya Mays			
Council on Real Estate Curriculum and Examination Representative	Elizabeth Lauer			
SCREENING PANEL				
Screening Panel Team 1	Dennis Pierce, Thomas Richie, Jeffery Berry			
Screening Panel Team 2	Sonya Mays, Elizabeth Lauer			
Screening Panel Team 3	Gurmit Kaleka, Cathy Lacy			

State of Wisconsin Department of Safety & Professional Services

AGENDA REQUEST FORM

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1) Name and title of person submitting the request:				2) Date when request submitted:		
Paralegal Richanda Turner, on behalf of Attorney Jameson				02/10/2025		
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3) Name of Board, Comr	nittee, Co	ouncil, Sections:				
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State of Wisconsin DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

CORRESPONDENCE / MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 1, 2025

TO: Board, Council, and Committee Members

FROM: Legal Counsel

SUBJECT: Liaison Definitions and Delegations Explanations

Overall Purpose of Liaison Appointments

Each Board/Section (Board) has inherent authority that is established in our Wisconsin Statutes. This authority may change from Board to Board. Further information on your Board's authority can be found in Wis. Stat. ch. 15. Generally, each Board has authority to grant credentials, discipline credential holders, and set standards for education and examinations. In order to efficiently accomplish these tasks, Boards may appoint Liaisons. Liaisons assist with the operations of the Boards' purpose by weighing in on legislative matters, traveling to national conferences, or communicating with stakeholders.

The Department asks that each year the Boards make Liaison appointments to assist the Board and Department to accomplish these tasks in an efficient manner. Your practical knowledge and experience, as an appointed member of a professional board, are essential in making determinations regularly. The Liaison positions listed below assist the Department to complete operations between Board meetings. In most cases, Liaisons can make decisions for the full Board in their designated area. However, these areas are determined through the delegation process. Please note, a Liaison may also decide to send the delegated matter to the full Board for consideration as appropriate. Delegations assist the Board in defining the roles and authorities of each Liaison and other Board functions.

Liaison Definitions

Credentialing Liaison: The Credentialing Liaison is empowered by the Board to review and make determinations regarding certain credential applications. The Credentialing Liaison may be called on by Department staff to answer questions that pertain to qualifications for licensure, which may include whether a particular degree is suitable for the application requirements, whether an applicant's specific work experience satisfies the requirements in statute or rule for licensure, or

whether an applicant's criminal or disciplinary history is substantially related to the practice of the profession in such a way that granting the applicant a credential would create a risk of harm to the public. Questions will likely be sent by Department staff to the Credentialing Liaison via email and may include application materials. The Credentialing Liaison serves a very important role in the credentialing process.

Monitoring Liaison: The Monitoring Liaison is empowered by the Board to make decisions on any credential that is limited either through a disciplinary order or initial licensure. The Department Monitors will send requests from credential holders to the Monitoring Liaison. These requests vary wildly. A common request could be to remove a limitation that has been placed on a credential or to petition for full licensure. The Monitoring Liaison can review these requests and make decisions on behalf of the Board. The Board has the authority to grant decision making latitude to their liaison to any degree. If the Monitoring Liaison has a question on a request, it is advisable for the Liaison to consult further with Department staff or bring the matter to the full Board for consideration.

Professional Assistance Procedure (PAP) Liaison: PAP is a voluntary program open to credential holders with substance abuse issues who wish to seek help by being held accountable through treatment and monitoring by the Department and Board. As part of PAP, the credential holder enters into an agreement with the Department to undergo testing, counseling, or other rehabilitation. The PAP Liaison's role includes responding to credential holders' requests for modifications and terminations of provisions of the agreement. Similar to the Monitoring Liaison, the Department Monitors will send requests from credential holders to the PAP Liaison for further review.

Education and Examination Liaison: Some Boards are required by statute or rule to approve qualifying education and examinations. The Education and Examination Liaison provides guidance to Department staff to exercise authority of the Board to approve or decline examinations and educational programs. This determination requires a level of professional expertise and should be performed by a professional member of the Board. For some Boards, the Education and Examination Liaison will also be tasked with approving continuing education programs and courses.

Legislative Liaison: The Legislative Liaison is permitted to act and speak on the Board's behalf regarding pending and enacted legislation or actions being considered by the legislature outside of Board meetings. The Legislative Liaison is not the Board's designated lobbyist and should exercise their delegated authority carefully.

Travel Authorization Liaison: The Travel Authorization Liaison is authorized to approve a Board member to travel to events and speak or act on the Board's behalf between Board meetings. The Travel Authorization Liaison is called upon to make decisions when sufficient notice was not received, and the full Board could not determine a representative to travel. The Travel Authorization Liaison is tasked with making determinations if the Board appointed representative is not able to attend or if the Board becomes authorized to send additional members as scholarship and funding streams can be unpredictable.

Communication Liaison: The Communication Liaison responds to questions that arise on behalf of the Board. The Communication Liaison works with the Department to cultivate an appropriate response which will be sent by the Executive Director or Board Counsel. The Communication Liaison **can** be responsible for all types of communication on behalf of the Board. However, the Board can appoint a separate **Website Liaison** to work with DSPS staff to make changes and ensure the Board webpage contains updated and accurate information. Additionally, for the Boards that are required by statute to produce a newsletter or digest, the Board can appoint a separate **Newsletter/Digest Liaison** to assemble and approve content for those communications.

Screening Panel Members: Screening Panel Members review incoming complaints against credential holders and determine which complaints should be opened for investigation and which complaints should be closed without further action. The complexity and amount of work in this role depends substantially on your Board. As a member of the Screening Panel, you are asked to apply your professional expertise to determine if a complaint alleges unprofessional conduct.

Delegations Explanations

CREDENTIALING DELEGATIONS

The overall purpose of credentialing delegations is to allow the credentialing process to proceed as efficiently and effectively as possible.

Delegation of Authority to Credentialing Liaison (Generic)

MOTION EXAMPLE: to delegate authority to the Credentialing Liaison(s) to serve as a liaison between the Department and the Board and to act on behalf of the Board in regard to credentialing applications or questions presented to them, including the signing of documents related to applications.

PURPOSE: To allow a representative of the Board to assist Department staff with credentialing applications and eliminate the need for the entire Board to convene to consider credential application content or questions. Additionally, it is most efficient to have the designated liaison who has assisted with the credentialing process be able to effectuate decisions which require a signature.

Delegation of Authority to DSPS When Credentialing Criteria is Met

MOTION EXAMPLE: to delegate credentialing authority to the Department to act upon applications that meet all credentialing statutory and regulatory requirements without Board or Board liaison review.

PURPOSE: To permit Department staff to efficiently issue credentials and eliminate the need for Board/Section/Liaison review when all credentialing legal requirements are met in an application. This delegation greatly decreases workload on Board members and cuts down processing time on applications.

Delegation of Authority for Predetermination Reviews

MOTION EXAMPLE: to delegate authority to the Department Attorneys to make decisions regarding predetermination applications pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 111.335(4)(f).

PURPOSE: In general, the Wisconsin Fair Employment Act (codified in Wis. Stat. Ch. 111) prohibits licensing agencies from discriminating against applicants because of their arrest and/or conviction record. However, there are exceptions which permit denial of a license in certain circumstances. Individuals who do not possess a license have a legal right to apply for a determination of whether they are disqualified from obtaining a license due to their conviction record. This process is called "Predetermination." Predetermination reviews must be completed within 30 days. This delegation allows Department Attorneys to conduct predetermination reviews and efficiently make these legal determinations without need for Board/Section/Liaison review.

Delegation of Authority for Conviction Reviews

MOTION EXAMPLE: to delegate authority to the Department Attorneys to review and approve applications with convictions which are not substantially related to the relevant professional practice.

PURPOSE: As used here, "substantially related" is a legal standard that is used in the Wisconsin Fair Employment Act. The concept of what is "substantially related" is informed by case law. This delegation permits Department Attorneys to independently conduct conviction reviews and efficiently approve applications if convictions are not substantially related to the practice of the profession. Applications that contain conviction records that may be substantially related to the practice of a profession will still be submitted to the Credentialing Liaison for input.

Delegation to DSPS When Applicant's Disciplinary History Has Been Previously Reviewed

MOTION EXAMPLE: to delegate authority to Department staff to approve applications where Applicant's prior discipline has been approved for a previous credential and there is no new discipline.

PURPOSE: Some Boards offer progressive levels of credentials. This delegation eliminates the need for a re-review of discipline that has already been considered and approved by the Board/Section/Liaison for a lower-level credential.

Delegation to DSPS When Applicant's Conviction History Has Been Previously Reviewed

MOTION EXAMPLE: to delegate authority to Department staff to approve applications where criminal background checks have been approved for a previous credential and there is no new conviction record.

PURPOSE: Some Boards offer progressive levels of credentials. This delegation eliminates the need for a re-review of conviction history that has already been reviewed and approved for a lower-level credential.

Delegation of Authority for Reciprocity Reviews

MOTION EXAMPLE: to delegate authority to the Department Attorneys to review and approve reciprocity applications in which the out of state license requirements meet Wisconsin license requirements. (specific legal standards are referenced in the motion depending on credential/profession type).

PURPOSE: Applications via reciprocity or endorsement require comparison of Wisconsin licensing requirements to the licensing requirements of another jurisdiction. These reviews consider the legal standard for reciprocity, which varies by profession, as well as the specified legal requirements to obtain licensure in the profession. This delegation permits Department Attorneys to independently conduct reciprocity reviews and efficiently approve applications if legal standards and requirements are met for licensure. Applications for which reciprocity may not be available will still be submitted to the Credentialing Liaison for input.

Delegation of Authority for Military Reciprocity Reviews

MOTION EXAMPLE: to delegate authority to the Department Attorneys to review and approve military reciprocity applications in which the individual meets the requirements of Wis. Stat. § 440.09.

PURPOSE: The law permits service members, former service members, and their spouses to be licensed if they hold licensure in other jurisdictions that qualify them to perform acts authorized by the credential they are seeking in Wisconsin. This is a shortened path to licensure that does not require meeting the specific requirements/standards for licensure/reciprocity in a profession. By law, the Department/Board must expedite the issuance of a reciprocal license via military reciprocity. This delegation permits Department Attorneys to independently conduct military reciprocity reviews and efficiently approve applications if legal standards and requirements are met for licensure. Applications for which reciprocity may not be available will still be submitted to the Credentialing Liaison for input.

Delegation of Authority for Application Denial Reviews

MOTION EXAMPLE: to delegate authority to the Department's Attorney Supervisors to serve as the Board designee for purposes of reviewing and acting on requests for hearing as a result of a denial of a credential.

PURPOSE: When an application is denied, the applicant has a legal right to appeal the denial determination. Applicants must meet a specified legal standard in order to have an appeal granted. Additionally, Wisconsin law sets specific time frames for appeal decisions. This delegation permits Department Attorney Supervisors to independently review and efficiently act on requests for hearing as a result of a denial of a credential.

Delegation to Department Attorneys to Approve Duplicate Legal Issue

MOTION EXAMPLE: to delegate authority to Department Attorneys to approve a legal matter in connection with a renewal application when that same/similar matter was already addressed by the Board and there are no new legal issues for that credential holder.

PURPOSE: The intent of this delegation is to be able to approve prior discipline by the Board for the renewal applicant. This delegation eliminates the need for a re-review of discipline that has already been considered and approved by the Board/Section/Liaison.

Delegation to Department Attorneys to Approve Prior Discipline

MOTION EXAMPLE: to delegate authority to Department Attorneys to approve an applicant's prior professional discipline which resulted in a forfeiture/fine/other monetary penalty, remedial education, and/or reprimand, that is 10 years old or older, and the previously disciplined credential is currently in good standing.

PURPOSE: In order to continue improving processing application legal reviews in a timely matter, this delegation gives Department Attorneys authority to approve prior professional discipline which meets all of the following criteria: (1) it is at least ten years old; (2) it resulted in a monetary penalty, remedial education, and/or reprimand; and (3) the previously disciplined credential is currently in good standing.

MONITORING DELEGATIONS

The overall purpose of monitoring delegations is to be able to enforce the Boards orders and limited licenses as efficiently and effectively as possible. Monitoring delegations have two categories: delegations to the Monitoring Liaison and delegations to the Department Monitor.

Delegation of Authority to Department Monitor

MOTION EXAMPLE: to delegate authority to the Department Monitor:

- a. to grant full reinstatement of licensure if education is the only limitation and credential holder has submitted the required proof of course completion.
- b. to suspend the credential if the credential holder has not completed Board ordered education, paid costs, paid forfeitures, within the time specified by the Board Order.
- c. to lift a suspension when compliance with education and costs provisions have been met.

PURPOSE: These delegations allow for the Department Monitor to automatically act on requests when certain criteria are met or not met without needing to burden the Monitoring Liaison. The Board can set their own criteria for what actions they would like to be handled by the Department, the Monitoring Liaison, and the full Board.

Delegation of Authority to Monitoring Liaison

MOTION EXAMPLE: to delegate authority to the Monitoring Liaison to approve or deny all requests received by the credential holder.

PURPOSE: These delegations allow the Board to set criteria for what decisions can be made by the Board member(s) serving as the Monitoring Liaison and what matters should be decided by the full Board.

Education and Examination Delegations

MOTION EXAMPLE: to delegate authority to the Education and Examination Liaison(s) to address all issues related to qualifying education, continuing education and examinations. Motion carried unanimously. (Differs by Board)

PURPOSE: Some Boards are responsible for approving qualifying educational programs or continuing education courses. A delegation is executed in order for an Education and Examination Liaison to make these determinations on behalf of the Board and with assistance of the Department. Additionally, some Boards review examinations and individual scores to qualify for a credential.

MISCELLANEOUS DELEGATIONS

Document Signature

MOTION EXAMPLE: to delegate authority to the Chairperson (or in absence of the Chairperson, the highest-ranking officer or longest serving board member in that succession) to sign documents on behalf of the Board in order to carry out its duties. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION EXAMPLE: in order to carry out duties of the Board, the Chairperson (or in absence of the Chairperson, the highest-ranking officer or longest serving board member in that succession) has the ability to delegate signature authority for purposes of facilitating the completion of assignments during or between meetings. The members of the Board hereby delegate to the Executive Director, Board Counsel, or DPD Division Administrator the authority to sign on behalf of a Board member as necessary. Motion carried unanimously.

PURPOSE: To take the action approved at Board meetings, the Department may need to draft correspondence and/or Orders after the meetings have adjourned. These actions then need to be signed by a Board Member. This interaction usually takes place over email and a Board member can authorize the use of his/her signature that is kept on file.

Urgent Matters

MOTION EXAMPLE: in order to facilitate the completion of urgent matters between meetings, the Board delegates its authority to the Chairperson (or, in the absence of the Chairperson, the highest-ranking officer or longest serving Board member in that succession), to appoint liaisons to the Department to act in urgent matters. Motion carried unanimously.

PURPOSE: Allows for quick responses to urgent matters that may need Board approval or for which the Department requires guidance from the Board.

Delegation to Chief Legal Counsel-Due to Loss of Quorum

MOTION EXAMPLE: to delegate the review and authority to act on disciplinary cases to the Department's Chief Legal Counsel due to lack of/loss of quorum after two consecutive meetings. Motion carried unanimously.

PURPOSE: Sometimes Boards can struggle to meet quorum necessary to conduct business. This happens for a multitude of reasons, but this delegation allows for the Boards to have disciplinary cases decided by Chief Legal Counsel if the Board fails to meet quorum for two consecutive meetings.

Delegation to Chief Legal Counsel-Stipulated Resolutions

MOTION EXAMPLE: to delegate to the Department's Chief Legal Counsel (CLC) the authority to act on behalf of the Board concerning stipulated resolutions providing for a surrender, suspension, or revocation of a credential, where the underlying merits involve serious and dangerous behavior, and where the signed stipulation is received between Board meetings. The Board further requests that CLC only act on such matters when the best interests of the Board, Department, and the Public are best served by acting upon the stipulated resolution at the time the signed stipulation is received versus waiting for the next Board meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

PURPOSE: For matters of public safety, it may be necessary to take immediate action on a stipulated agreement rather than allowing a credential holder to continue practicing unencumbered until the next scheduled meeting. This delegation allows CLC to act on behalf of the Board when there is a stipulated agreement. A stipulated agreement is an agreement to which all relevant parties have consented to the terms.

Voluntary Surrenders

MOTION: to delegate authority to the assigned case advisor to accept or refuse a request for voluntary surrender pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 440.19 for a credential holder who has a pending complaint or disciplinary matter.

MOTION: to delegate authority to the Department to accept the voluntary surrender of a credential when there is no pending complaint or disciplinary matter with the Department pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 440.19.

PURPOSE: Credential holders can ask the Boards to accept surrender of their credentials at any time. These delegations are in place for the different situations that arise from those requests. If a credential holder is seeking to surrender their credential because they wish to leave the profession, that can be processed with this delegation by the Department if they have no pending disciplinary complaints. If the credential holder wishes to surrender while they have a pending disciplinary complaint, that request is reviewed by the individual Board member assigned to the case.

DLSC Pre-screening

MOTION EXAMPLE: to delegate pre-screening decision making authority to the DSPS screening attorney for opening cases where the credential holder has failed to respond to allegations contained in the complaint when requested by intake (case will be opened on failure to respond and the merits of the complaint).

PURPOSE: Pre-screening delegations exist so the Board can define specific parameters where the Department can review disciplinary complaints and open those cases if they meet certain criteria. Boards also have the authority to set certain criteria that would allow the Department to review and close a case if the criteria is met.

Delegation to Handle Administrative Rule Matters

MOTION EXAMPLE: to delegate authority to the Chairperson (or, in the absence of the Chairperson, the highest-ranking officer or longest serving Board member in that succession), to act on behalf of the Board regarding administrative rule matters between meetings. Motion carried unanimously.

PURPOSE: In order to advance the administrative rules process, action may need to occur between meetings. This allows for quick responses to urgent matters that may need Board approval or for which the Department requires guidance from the Board.

REAL ESTATE EXAMINING BOARD 2024 DELEGATIONS FEBRUARY 1, 2024

All Combined Delegations for 2024

Review and Approval of 2023 Delegations

MOTION: Cathy Lacy moved, seconded by Jeffery Berry, to reaffirm all delegation motions from 2023 as reflected in the agenda materials. Motion carried unanimously.

Document Signature Delegations

- **MOTION:** Cathy Lacy moved, seconded by Thomas Richie, to delegate authority to the Chairperson (or in absence of the Chairperson, the highest-ranking officer or longest serving board member in that succession) to sign documents on behalf of the Board in order to carry out its duties. Motion carried unanimously.
- **MOTION:** Cathy Lacy moved, seconded by Thomas Richie, in order to carry out duties of the Board, the Chairperson (or in absence of the Chairperson, the highest-ranking officer or longest serving board member in that succession) has the ability to delegate signature authority for purposes of facilitating the completion of assignments during or between meetings. The members of the Board hereby delegate to the Executive Director, Board Counsel or DPD Division Administrator, the authority to sign on behalf of a board member as necessary. Motion carried unanimously.

Delegated Authority for Urgent Matters

MOTION: Cathy Lacy moved, seconded by Sonya Mays, that in order to facilitate the completion of urgent matters between meetings, the Board delegates its authority to the Chairperson (or, in the absence of the Chairperson, the highest-ranking officer or longest serving board member in that succession), to appoint liaisons to the Department to act in urgent matters. Motion carried unanimously.

Delegation to Chief Legal Counsel Due to Loss of Quorum

MOTION: Cathy Lacy moved, seconded by Sonya Mays, to delegate the review and authority to act on disciplinary cases to the Department's Chief Legal Counsel due to lack of/loss of quorum after two consecutive meetings. Motion carried unanimously.

Delegation to Chief Legal Counsel for Stipulated Resolutions

MOTION: Cathy Lacy moved, seconded by Thomas Richie, to delegate to DSPS Chief Legal Counsel (CLC) the authority to act on behalf of the Board concerning stipulated resolutions providing for a surrender, suspension, or revocation of a credential, where the underlying merits involve serious and dangerous behavior, and where the signed stipulation is received between Board meetings. The Board further requests that CLC only act on such matters when the best interests of the Board, Department and the Public are best served by acting upon the stipulated resolution at the time the signed stipulation is received versus waiting for the next Board meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Monitoring Delegations

Delegation to Monitoring Liaison

MOTION: Thomas Richie moved, seconded by Cathy Lacy, to delegate authority to the Monitoring Liaison(s) to make any determination on Orders under monitoring and to refer to the Full Board any matter the Monitoring Liaison deems appropriate. Motion carried unanimously.

Delegation to Department Monitor

- **MOTION:** Cathy Lacy moved, seconded by Sonya Mays, to delegate authority to the Department Monitor as outlined below:
 - 1. to grant reinstatement of licensure if education and/or costs are the <u>sole</u> <u>condition</u> of the order and the credential holder has submitted the required proof of completion for approved courses and paid the costs.
 - 2. to suspend the license if the credential holder has not completed Board ordered education and/or paid costs and forfeitures within the time specified by the Board order. The Department Monitor may remove the suspension and issue an order when proof of completion and/or payment has been received.
 - 3. to suspend the license (or remove stay of suspension) if a credential holder fails to enroll and participate in an Approved Program for drug and alcohol testing within 30 days of the order, or if credential holder ceases participation in the Approved Program without Board approval. This delegated authority only pertains to respondents who must comply with drug and/or alcohol testing requirements.
 - 4. to grant or deny approval when a credential holder proposes treatment providers, mentors, and supervisors unless the Order specifically requires full-Board or Board designee approval.

- 5. to grant a maximum of one <u>90-day extension</u>, if warranted and requested in writing by a credential holder, to complete Board ordered continuing, disciplinary, or remedial education.
- 6. to grant a maximum of one <u>90-day extension</u> or payment plan for proceeding costs and/or forfeitures if warranted and requested in writing by a credential holder to grant a maximum of one <u>90-day extension</u>, if warranted and requested in writing by a credential holder, to complete a Board ordered evaluation or exam.

Delegation to Legal Counsel to Sign Monitoring Orders

MOTION: Cathy Lacy moved, seconded by Sonya Mays, to delegate to Legal Counsel the authority to sign Monitoring orders that result from Board meetings on behalf of the Board Chairperson. Motion carried unanimously.

Credentialing Authority Delegations

Delegation of Authority to Credentialing Liaison

MOTION: Cathy Lacy moved, seconded by Thomas Richie, to delegate authority to the Credentialing Liaison(s) to serve as a liaison between the Department and the Board and to act on behalf of the Board in regard to credentialing applications or questions presented to them, including the signing of documents related to applications. Motion carried unanimously.

Delegation of Authority to DSPS When Credentialing Criteria is Met

MOTION: Thomas Richie moved, seconded by Cathy Lacy, to delegate credentialing authority to the Department to act upon applications that meet all credentialing statutory and regulatory requirements without Board or Board liaison review. Motion carried unanimously.

Delegation of Authority for Predetermination Reviews

MOTION: Cathy Lacy moved, seconded by Sonya Mays, to delegate authority to the Department Attorneys to make decisions regarding predetermination applications pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 111.335(4)(f). Motion carried unanimously.

Delegation of Authority for Conviction Reviews

MOTION: Cathy Lacy moved, seconded by Thomas Richie, to delegate authority to the Department Attorneys to review and approve applications with convictions which are not substantially related to the practice of real estate. Motion carried unanimously.

Delegation to DSPS When Applicant's Discipline History Has Been Previously Reviewed

MOTION: Cathy Lacy moved, seconded by Sonya Mays, to delegate authority to Department staff to approve applications where Applicant's prior discipline has been approved for a previous real estate credential and there is no new discipline. Motion carried unanimously.

Delegation to DSPS When Applicant's Conviction History Has Been Previously Reviewed

MOTION: Cathy Lacy moved, seconded by Sonya Mays, to delegate authority to Department staff to approve applications where criminal background checks have been approved for a previous real estate credential and there is no new conviction record. Motion carried unanimously.

Delegation of Authority for Military Reciprocity Reviews

MOTION: Sonya Mays moved, seconded by Cathy Lacy, to delegate authority to the Department Attorneys to review and approve military reciprocity applications in which the individual meets the requirements of Wis. Stat. § 440.09. Motion carried unanimously.

Delegated Authority for Application Denial Reviews

MOTION: Cathy Lacy moved, seconded by Thomas Richie, to delegate authority to the Department's Attorney Supervisors to serve as the Board's designee for purposes of reviewing and acting on requests for hearing as a result of a denial of a credential. Motion carried unanimously.

Delegation for Felony Bar Denials to DSPS Attorneys

MOTION: Cathy Lacy moved, seconded by Sonya Mays, to delegate authority to the DSPS attorneys to review and make legal determinations for applications involving a felony conviction, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 452.25. Motion carried unanimously.

Delegation to Department Attorneys to Approve Duplicate Legal Issue

MOTION: Cathy Lacy moved, seconded by Jeffery Berry, to delegate authority to Department Attorneys to approve a legal matter in connection with a renewal application when that same/similar matter was already addressed by the Board and there are no new legal issues. Motion carried unanimously.

Pre-Screening Delegations

MOTION: Cathy Lacy moved, seconded by Thomas Richie, to delegate to the screening attorney the authority to close cases where there is a lack of

jurisdiction, where the Board has already taken action on the matter (duplicate case, Board has taken action in regard to the credential holder that addressed the conduct and further action is unnecessary), and cases where there is no legal violation of the statutes/regulations. The screening attorney is also delegated the authority to immediately open any case where they believe there is an immediate risk of harm, the materials on their face warrant discipline (such as failure to respond), or cases that have a provable violation that do not need the full panel to determine. Motion carried unanimously.

Voluntary Surrenders

- **MOTION:** Cathy Lacy moved, seconded by Sonya Mays, to delegate authority to the assigned case advisor to accept or refuse a request for voluntary surrender pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 440.19 for a credential holder who has a pending complaint or disciplinary matter. Motion carried unanimously.
- **MOTION:** Cathy Lacy moved, seconded by Thomas Richie, to delegate authority to the Department to accept the voluntary surrender of a credential when there is no pending complaint or disciplinary matter with the Department pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 440.19. Motion carried unanimously.

Education and Examination Liaison(s) Delegation

MOTION: Cathy Lacy moved, seconded by Sonya Mays, to delegate authority to the Education and Examination Liaison(s) to address all issues related to education and examinations. Motion carried unanimously.

Authorization for DSPS to Provide Board Member Contact Information to National Regulatory Related Bodies

MOTION: Cathy Lacy moved, seconded by Sonya Mays, to authorize the Department staff to provide national regulatory related bodies with all board member contact information that the Department retains on file. Motion carried unanimously.

Optional Renewal Notice Insert Delegation

MOTION: Cathy Lacy moved, seconded by Sonya Mays, to designate the Chairperson (or, in the absence of the Chairperson, the highest-ranking officer or longest serving board member in that succession) to provide a brief statement or link relating to board-related business within the license renewal notice at the Board's or Board designee's request. Motion carried unanimously.

Legislative Liaison Delegation

MOTION: Sonya Mays moved, seconded by Cathy Lacy, to delegate authority to the Legislative Liaisons to speak on behalf of the Board regarding legislative matters. Motion carried unanimously.

Travel Authorization Liaison Delegation

MOTION: Cathy Lacy moved, seconded by Sonya Mays, to delegate authority to the Travel Authorization Liaison to approve any board member travel to and/or participation in events germane to the board, and to designate representatives from the Board to speak and/or act on the Board's behalf at such events. Motion carried unanimously.

Newsletter Liaison(s) Delegation

MOTION: Sonya Mays moved, seconded by Cathy Lacy, to delegate authority to the newsletter liaison(s) to handle all matters relating to newsletters or digests. Motion carried unanimously.

Website Liaison(s) Delegation

MOTION: Sonya Mays moved, seconded by Cathy Lacy, to authorize the Website Liaison(s) to act on behalf of the Board in working with Department staff to identify and execute website updates. Motion carried unanimously.

Delegation to Department Attorneys to Approve Prior Discipline

MOTION: [Board member name] moved, seconded by [Board member name], to delegate authority to Department Attorneys to approve an applicant's prior professional discipline which resulted in a forfeiture/fine/other monetary penalty, remedial education, and/or reprimand, that is 10 years old or older, and the previously disciplined credential is currently in good standing. Motion carried [____].

Delegation to Handle Administrative Rule Matters

MOTION: [Board member name] moved, seconded by [Board member name], to delegate authority to the Chairperson (or, in the absence of the Chairperson, the highest-ranking officer or longest serving Board member in that succession), to act on behalf of the Board regarding administrative rule matters between meetings. Motion carried [____].

Review and Approval of 2024 Delegations including new modifications

MOTION: [Board member name] moved, seconded by [Board member name], to reaffirm all delegation motions made in 2024, as reflected in the February 27, 2025 agenda materials, which were not otherwise modified or amended during the February 27, 2025 meeting. Motion carried [10].

State of Wisconsin Department of Safety & Professional Services

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AGENDA REQUEST FORM

STATE OF WISCONSIN REAL ESTATE EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF RULEMAKING PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE REAL ESTATE EXAMINING BOARD : ADOPTING RULES : (CLEARINGHOUSE RULE)

PROPOSED ORDER

An order of the Real Estate Examining Board to create REEB relating to application requirements.

Analysis prepared by the Department of Safety and Professional Services.

ANALYSIS

Statutes interpreted: Section 452.09 (4) (a) to (e), Stats.

Statutory authority: Sections 15.08 (5) (b), 227.11 (2) (a), 452.07 (1), and 452.09 (4) (e), Stats.

Explanation of agency authority:

Section 15.08 (5) (b), Stats., states that each examining board "[s]hall promulgate rules for its own guidance and for the guidance of the trade or profession to which it pertains and define and enforce professional conduct and unethical practices not inconsistent with the law relating to the particular trade or profession."

Section 227.11 (2) (a), Stats., states that an agency "may promulgate rules interpreting the provisions of any statute enforced or administered by the agency, if the agency considers it necessary to effectuate the purpose of the statute, but a rule is not valid if the rule exceeds the bounds of correct interpretation."

Section 452.07 (1), Stats.: "The board shall promulgate rules for the guidance of the real estate profession..."

Section 452.09 (4) (e), Stats.: "The board may waive any requirement under par. (a), (b), (c), or (d) for any applicant based on standards established by the board by rule."

Related statute or rule: Section 452.09 (4) (a) to (e), Stats.

Plain language analysis: The objective of the proposed rule is to create waiver provisions related to experience requirements established in s. 452.09 (4) (a) to (d), Stats. The Board will consider rulemaking for that purpose and for making other updates deemed necessary. Wisconsin Administrative Code chapter REEB 12 contains more

details on real estate broker and salesperson license application requirements, and this is where the code changes will be made

Summary of, and comparison with, existing or proposed federal regulation: None.

Comparison with rules in adjacent states:

Illinois: Illinois requires an applicant for a broker's license to be at least 18 years of age, graduated from high school or equivalent, complete 75 hours of education in real estate courses or be licensed to practice law in Illinois, and pass an examination. An applicant for a managing broker's license is required to be at least 20 years of age, graduated from high school or equivalent, complete 165 hours of specified education or be licensed to practice law in Illinois, be actively licensed as a broker for 2 of the last 3 years, and pass an examination. An out of state applicant is required to take an Illinois-specific real estate brokerage laws exam. Reciprocity is granted to brokers who hold an active broker license, or its equivalent, by examination in a state with a reciprocal agreement with the Department, if the broker has been actively engaged in licensed activities as a broker during the preceding 2 years in the state of licensure, and the broker's licensing standards are substantially equivalent to Illinois's [225 ILCS 454].

Iowa: Iowa requires an applicant for a salesperson's license to be at least 18 years of age, complete 96 hours of specified education and pass an examination. An applicant for a broker's license is required to complete 60 hours of live instruction in addition to the required salesperson's education, have engaged in real estate practice for a period of at least 24 months and pass an examination. An applicant for a broker license may use active experience as a former Iowa salesperson or active salesperson experience in another state or jurisdiction, or a combination of both, to satisfy the experience requirement for a broker license only if the former Iowa salesperson or applicant from another state or jurisdiction was actively licensed for not less than 24 months and if the license on which the experience is based has not been expired for more than three years prior application [IA 193E-3.1-193E5.12 (543B)].

Michigan: Michigan requires an applicant for a salesperson's license to complete 40 hours of education and pass an examination. An applicant for a broker's license must complete 90 hours of education (a law degree counts towards 60 hours and a master's degree in business administration counts as 60 hours of education, respectively), have 3 years of real estate experience, and pass an examination. The 3 years of real estate experience can have taken place in any state or jurisdiction, as long as proof is provided. Reciprocity may be achieved by conforming to the prevailing licensing rules for real estate salespersons and brokers [MCL 339.2502-339.2514].

Minnesota: An applicant for a broker's license is required to complete 30 hours of education, 3 years of experience as a licensed salesperson, and pass an examination. The 3-year experience requirement may be waived for applicants who have a degree in real estate from an accredited college or university, are a licensed practicing attorney whose

practice involves real estate law, or are a public officer whose official duties involve real estate law or real estate transactions. Real estate salespersons and brokers seeking license reciprocity with the State of Minnesota may be granted provided (1) there is a written reciprocal licensing agreement in effect between Minnesota and the licensing officials of that jurisdiction, (2) the individual is licensed and in good standing in that jurisdiction, and (3) the licensing requirements of that jurisdiction are substantially similar to existing Minnesota provisions [Minnesota Statutes 2023, section 82].

Summary of factual data and analytical methodologies: The proposed rule was developed by reviewing the statutes in 452.09 (4) (a) to (e), reviewing the provisions of ch. REEB 12, and determining what changes the Board wished to make.

Analysis and supporting documents used to determine effect on small business or in preparation of economic impact analysis: The proposed rules will be posted for 14 days to solicit public comment on economic impact, including how the proposed rules may affect businesses, local government units, and individuals.

Fiscal Estimate and Economic Impact Analysis: The Fiscal Estimate and Economic Impact Analysis will be attached upon completion.

Effect on small business: These proposed rules do not have an economic impact on small businesses, as defined in s. 227.114 (1), Stats. The Department's Regulatory Review Coordinator may be contacted by email at <u>Jennifer.Garrett@wisconsin.gov</u>, or by calling (608) 266-2112.

Agency contact person:

Jake Pelegrin, Administrative Rules Coordinator, Department of Safety and Professional Services, Division of Policy Development, 4822 Madison Yards Way, P.O. Box 8366, Madison, Wisconsin 53708-8366; telephone 608-267-7139; email at <u>DSPSAdminRules@wisconsin.gov</u>.

Place where comments are to be submitted and deadline for submission:

Comments may be submitted to Jake Pelegrin, Administrative Rules Coordinator, Department of Safety and Professional Services, Division of Policy Development, 4822 Madison Yards Way, P.O. Box 8366, Madison, Wisconsin 53708-8366, or by email to <u>DSPSAdminRules@wisconsin.gov</u>. Comments must be received on or before the public hearing, held on a date to be determined, to be included in the record of rule-making proceedings.

TEXT OF RULE

SECTION 1. REEB 12 created to read:

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. The rules adopted in this order shall take effect on the first day of the month following publication in the Wisconsin Administrative Register, pursuant to s. 227.22 (2) (intro.), Stats.

(END OF TEXT OF RULE)

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452.09 Application for license, contents.

(4) Experience requirements for broker's license applicants.

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1. An applicant for a broker's license who is an individual shall submit to the board evidence satisfactory to the board that the applicant has practiced as a licensed salesperson under the direct supervision of a licensed broker for at least 2 years within the last 4 years preceding the date of the applicant's application for a broker's license.

2. Except as provided under pars. (b) to (e), the board may not accept evidence as satisfactory under subd. <u>1</u>. unless the evidence demonstrates that the applicant's experience as a licensed salesperson qualifies the applicant for a total of at least 40 points based on the following point system:

a. Each completed or closed residential transaction is worth 5 points.

b. Each completed or closed commercial transaction is worth 10 points.

c. Each property management contract is worth 0.5 points per month.

d. Each completed or closed time share is worth one point.

(b) An applicant who is licensed to practice law in this state may satisfy the requirement under par. (a) by submitting to the board evidence satisfactory to the board that the applicant has experience related to real estate.

(c) An applicant who holds a current certificate of financial responsibility under s. 101.654 may satisfy the requirement under par. (a) by submitting to the board evidence satisfactory to the board that the applicant has experience related to real estate sales.

(d) Except as provided in a reciprocal agreement under s. <u>452.05 (3)</u>, an applicant for a broker's license who is a nonresident may satisfy the requirement under par. (a) by submitting to the board evidence satisfactory to the board that the applicant has been a licensed broker under the laws of another state for at least 2 years within the last 4 years preceding the date of the applicant's application for a broker's license.

(e) The board may waive any requirement under par. (a), (b), (c), or (d) for any applicant based on standards established by the board by rule.

REEB 12.017 Broker application requirements.

(1) Education requirements. Except as provided in sub. (4) and s. <u>REEB 12.012</u>, each applicant for a real estate broker's license shall submit satisfactory evidence of any of the following:

(a) Completion, within 4 years of broker's licensure, of a real estate broker's education program in business management under s. <u>REEB 25.023</u> through an education program that has been approved by the board and evidence of any of the following:

1. Licensure as a real estate salesperson.

2. Completion of a real estate salesperson's education program under s. <u>REEB 25.033</u> or completion of 10 semester hour credits in real estate or real estate related law courses from an accredited institution of higher education.

(b) Completion of nonresident broker equivalency under s. <u>REEB 25.028</u>.

(c) Completion of 20 semester hour credits in real estate or real estate law courses at an accredited institution of higher education. A quarter hour credit equals 2/3 of a semester hour credit.

(d) The applicant is licensed to practice law in this state.

(2) Examination requirements. Except as provided in sub. (4) and s. <u>REEB 12.012</u>, each applicant for a real estate broker's license shall read and write a comprehensive examination in English, testing the applicant's competency to transact the business of a real estate broker. The examination shall be in conformity with s. 452.09 (3), Stats.

(3) Experience requirements. Except as provided in sub. (4) and s. <u>REEB 12.012</u>:

(a) Each individual applicant for a real estate broker's license shall submit evidence satisfactory to the board that the applicant has practiced as a licensed salesperson under the direct supervision of a licensed broker for at least 2 years within the last 4 years preceding the date of the application. Except as provided in pars. (b) to (d), the evidence shall demonstrate that the applicant's experience as a licensed salesperson qualifies the applicant for a total of at least 40 points based on the following point system:

1. Each completed or closed residential transaction is worth 5 points.

2. Each completed or closed commercial transaction is worth 10 points.

3. Each property management contract is worth 0.5 points per month.

4. Each completed or closed time share is worth one point.

(b) An applicant who is licensed to practice law in this state may satisfy the requirement under par. (a) by submitting to the board any of the following:

1. Evidence satisfactory to the board that the applicant has experience related to real estate.

2. Evidence that the applicant has at least one year experience as a licensed salesperson under the direct supervision of a licensed broker that qualifies the applicant for a total of at least 20 points based upon the point system in par. (a) 1 to 4.

(c) An applicant who holds a current certificate of financial responsibility under s. 101.654, Stats., may satisfy the requirement under par. (a) by submitting to the board any of the following:

1. Evidence satisfactory to the board that the applicant has experience related to real estate sales.

2. Evidence that the applicant has at least one year experience as a licensed salesperson under the direct supervision of a licensed broker that qualifies the applicant for a total of at least 20 points based upon the point system in par. (a) 1 to 4.

(d) Except as provided in a reciprocal agreement under s. <u>452.05 (3)</u>, Stats., a nonresident applicant may satisfy the requirement under par. (a) by submitting to the board evidence satisfactory to the board that the applicant has been a licensed broker under the laws of another state for at least 2 years within the last 4 years preceding the date of the applicant's application.

(4) Reciprocity. An applicant who is licensed as a broker in a state or territory that has entered into a reciprocal agreement with this state shall be licensed according to the terms of the reciprocal agreement.

A couple options of sample language:

REEB 12.017 (5) is created to read:

REEB 12.017 (5) If the board determines that an applicant for a real estate broker's license has experience equivalent to the requirements in one of the options in sub. (3) (a) to (d), the board may waive the requirements under sub. (3) for that applicant.

OR

REEB 12.017 (5) If the board determines that an applicant for a real estate broker's license has experience equivalent to the requirements in one of the options in sub. (3) (a) to (d), **through** experience as a real estate salesperson licensed in another state, the board may waive the requirements under sub. (3) for that applicant.

OR

REEB 12.017 (5) If the board determines that an applicant for a real estate broker's license has experience equivalent to the requirements in one of the options in sub. (3) (a) to (d), **through experience as a real estate salesperson or attorney** licensed in another state, the board may waive the requirements under sub. (3) for that applicant.

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REEB 24.02

Chapter REEB 24

CONDUCT AND ETHICAL PRACTICES FOR REAL ESTATE LICENSEES

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Note: Chapter REB 15 as it existed on February 29, 1980 was repealed and a new chapter REB 15 was created effective March 1, 1980. Renumbered from chapter REB 15, effective March 1, 1983. Chapter RL 24 was renumbered chapter REEB 24 under s. 13.92 (4) (b) 1., Stats., Register November 2011 No. 671.

REEB 24.01 Authority and intent. (1) The rules in this chapter are adopted pursuant to ss. 227.11, 452.01, 452.07, 452.133, 452.138, 452.139 and 452.14, Stats.

(2) The intent of the board in adopting the rules in this chapter is to establish minimum standards of conduct for real estate licensees and to define conduct that may result in board discipline pursuant to s. 452.14, Stats.

(3) If a licensee violates rules in this chapter, the licensee has demonstrated incompetency to act as a broker or salesperson in such manner as to safeguard the interests of the public under s. 452.14 (3) (i), Stats. However, the term "incompetency" is not limited in its meaning to violations of this chapter.

(4) If a licensee violates the rules set forth in s. REEB 24.075, the licensee has engaged in improper, fraudulent or dishonest dealing as used in s. 452.14 (3) (k), Stats. However, the terms "improper, fraudulent or dishonest dealing" are not limited in their meaning to violations of s. REEB 24.075.

History: Cr. Register, February, 1980, No. 290, eff. 3–1–80; renum. (3) to be (5), (3) renum. from REB 15.02 (2) and cr. (4), Register, December, 1980, No. 300, eff. 1–1–81; renum. from REB 15.01 and am. (2) to (4), Register, February, 1983, No. 326, eff. 3–1–83; am. (1) and (3), r. (5) (intro.) and (d), renum. (5) (a) to (c) to be RL 24.025, RL 24.03 (2) (b) and (c), Register, January, 1987, No. 373, eff. 2–1–87; correction in (4) made under s. 13.93 (2m) (b) 4., Stats., Register, May, 1988, No. 389; am. Register, April, 1995, No. 472, eff. 5–1–95; correction in (2), (4) made under s. 13.92 (4) (b) 6., 7., Stats., Register November 2011 No. 671; EmR1620: emerg. am. (3), eff. 7–1–16; CR 16–042; am. (3) Register February 2017 No. 734, eff. 3–1–17; CR 21–043: am. (2) Register March 2022 No. 795, eff. 4–1–22.

REEB 24.02 Definitions. (1) "Adverse fact" means any of the following:

(a) A condition or occurrence that is generally recognized by a competent licensee as doing any of the following:

1. Significantly and adversely affecting the value of the property.

2. Significantly reducing the structural integrity of improvements to real estate.

3. Presenting a significant health risk to occupants of the property.

(b) Information that indicates that a party to a transaction is not able to or does not intend to meet his or her obligations under a contract or agreement made concerning the transaction.

(3) "Brokerage service" means any service described under s. 452.01 (2), Stats., provided to a person by a firm and any licensees associated with the firm.

(4) "Builder" means any person engaged in the business of constructing homes without a buyer under contract or constructing homes under a contract with the buyer.

(5) "Buyer's firm" means a firm who has an agency agreement with a buyer.

(7) "Commonly controlled corporation" means one of 2 or more corporations in which the same person or persons own stock in each of the corporations, possessing at least 80% of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock entitled to vote and at least 80% of the total number of shares of all other classes of stock of the corporations.

(10) "Effectively controlled" means having the power or authority to cause the transfer of an interest in real estate for oneself or another but does not include the authority conferred by a real estate listing contract.

(12) "Material adverse fact" means an adverse fact that a party indicates is of such significance, or that is generally recognized by a competent licensee as being of such significance to a reasonable party, that it affects or would affect the party's decision to enter into a contract or agreement concerning a transaction or affects or would affect the party's decision about the terms of such a contract or agreement.

(13) "Party" means a person seeking to engage in a transaction.

(13m) "Principal firm" means a firm that engages a subagent to provide brokerage services in a transaction.

(14) "Qualified third party" means a federal, state or local governmental agency, or any person whom the licensee or a party to the real estate transaction reasonably believes has the expertise necessary to meet the industry standards of practice for the type of inspection or investigation that has been conducted by the third party in order to prepare the written report described in s. 452.23 (2) (b), Stats.

(15) "Secured lender" means an individual or organization originating a loan in a real estate or business opportunity transaction secured by real estate or by the assets of a business or a business opportunity.

(16) "Real estate practice" means engaging in conduct that requires a license under ch. 452, Stats.

(16m) "Right of first refusal" means the right of a person to have the first opportunity to purchase or lease real property.

(18) "Transaction" means the sale, exchange, purchase or rental of, or the granting or acceptance of an option, exchange, purchase or rent, an interest in real estate, a business, or a business opportunity.

(19) "Written proposal" means any written document provided by one party to another during the course of a transaction, including notices, offers, counteroffers, options, exchanges, rental agreements, and amendments.

History: Cr. Register, February, 1980, No. 290, eff. 3–1–80; renum. (1) to be (5), renum. (2) to be REB 15.01 (3), cr. (1) to (4) and (6), Register, December, 1980, No. 300, eff. 1–1–81; renum. from REB 15.02, Register, February, 1983, No. 326, eff. 3–1–83; renum. (4) to (6) to be (7) to (9) under s. 13.93 (2m) (b) 1., Stats., Register, September, 1990, No. 417; renum. (1) to (3) to be (2), (4) and (6), cr. (1), (3) and (5), Register, September, 1990, No. 417, eff. 10–1–90; am. (1), Register, January, 1992, No. 433, eff. 2–1–92; am. (1), Register, July, 1993, No. 451, eff. 8–1–93; r. and recr. (1), renum. (2) to (4) to be (4), (5), (7), (6) and (7) to be (8) and (10), (8) to be (17), r. (5), cr. (2), (3), (6), (9), (12) to (16), (18), Register, April, 1995, No. 472, eff. 5–1–95; am. (7), r. (11), Register, July, 1998, No. 511, eff. 8–1–98;

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correction in (3) made under s. 13.92 (4) (b) 7., Stats., Register November 2011 No. 671; CR 10–136: am. (2) to (5), r. (8), am. (13), cr. (13m), r. (17), cr. (19) Register April 2012 No. 676, eff. 7–1–12; EmR1620: emerg. r. (2), am. (3), (5), (6), (9), (13m), eff. 7–1–16; CR 16–042: r. (2), am. (3), (5), renum. (6), (9) to REEB 11.02 (3m), (4m), am. (13m) February 2017 No. 734, eff. 3–1–17; CR 21–043: am. (13m), (14), (16), cr. (16m), am. (18), (19) Register March 2022 No. 795, eff. 4–1–22.

REEB 24.03 Competent services. (1) DISCRIMINATION PROHIBITED. Licensees may not discriminate against, nor deny equal services to, nor be a party to any plan or agreement to discriminate against any person in any manner unlawful under applicable federal, state or local fair housing law.

Note: The primary references for federal and state fair housing laws are the 1988 amendments to the Federal Housing Act (Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968) and Chapter 106, Subchapter II, Stats.

(2) COMPETENCE REQUIRED. (a) Licensees shall not provide services that the licensee is not competent to provide unless the licensee engages the assistance of another person who is competent. Any person engaged to provide such assistance shall be identified and that person's contribution shall be described in the documents or records related to the transaction.

(b) Licensees shall act to protect the public against fraud, misrepresentation and unethical practices.

(c) A licensee shall be knowledgeable regarding laws, public policies and current market conditions on real estate matters and shall assist, guide, and advise the parties on these factors.

(d) Licensees are not required to have the technical knowledge, skills or training possessed by competent third party inspectors and investigators of real estate and related areas.

Note: Paragraph (d) recognizes that licensees are not required to have the knowledge, skills or training possessed by, for example, persons such as home inspectors, plumbers, electricians or land surveyors.

History: Cr. Register, February, 1980, No. 290, eff. 3–1–80; am. (1), Register, March, 1981, No. 303, eff. 4–1–81; renum. from REB 15.03, Register, February, 1983, No. 326, eff. 3–1–83; am. (1), renum. (2) to be (2) (a), (2) (b) and (c) renum. from RL 24.01 (5) (b) and (c) and am., Register, January, 1987, No. 373, eff. 2–1–87; am. (1), cr. (2) (d), Register, July, 1993, No. 451, eff. 8–1–93; CR 21–043: am. (2) (a), (c) Register March 2022 No. 795, eff. 4–1–22.

REEB 24.04 Advertising. A licensee shall follow the requirements for advertising as specified under s. 452.136, Stats. History: Cr. Register, February, 1980, No. 290, eff. 3–1–80; am. (4), Register, March, 1981, No. 303, eff. 4–1–81; renum. from REB 15.04 and am. (2), Register, February, 1983, No. 326, eff. 3–1–83; renum. (2) to be (2) (a) and am., cr. (2) (b) and (c), Register, January, 1987, No. 373, eff. 2–1–87; am. (2) (c), Register, April, 1995, No. 472, eff. 5–1–95; correction in (2) (a) made under s. 13.92 (4) (b) 7, Stats., Register November 2011 No. 671; EmR1620: emerg. am. (2) (a), (b), (3), (4), eff. 7–1–16; CR 16–042: am. (2) (a), (b), (3), (4) Register February 2017 No. 734, eff. 3–1–17; CR 21–043: r. and recr. Register March 2022 No. 795, eff. 4–1–22.

REEB 24.05 Disclosure of compensation and inter-ests. (1) COMPENSATION. A licensee shall follow the requirements for compensation as specified under s. 452.133 (3) (a) and (c), Stats.

(2) DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST. A licensee shall follow the requirements for disclosure of interest as specified under s. 452.133 (3) (b), Stats.

(4) DISCLOSURE TO SELLER. A listing firm may not pay any compensation or incentive to a licensee who is acting as a buyer in a transaction without prior written consent from the seller.

(5) DISCLOSURE OF LICENSURE. (a) A licensee acting as a principal in a real estate or business opportunity transaction shall disclose his, her, or its license status and intent to act in the transaction as a principal at the earliest of all of the following:

1. The first contact with the other party or an agent representing the other party where information regarding the other party or the transaction is being exchanged.

2. A showing of the property.

3. Any other negotiation with the seller, the listing firm, or other party or firm representing the other party.

(b) The disclosure under this subsection shall be made in writing to the other party in a transaction or to an agent representing the other party.

History: Cr. Register, February, 1980, No. 290, eff. 3–1–80; renum. (3) and (4) to be (4) and (5), cr. (3), Register, December, 1980, No. 300, eff. 1–1–81; am. (5),

Register, March, 1981, No. 303, eff. 4–1–81; renum. from REB 15.05, Register, February, 1983, No. 326, eff. 3–1–83; am. (1) and (5), Register, June, 1988, No. 390, eff. 7–1–88; r. and recr. Register, July, 1993, No. 451, eff. 8–1–93; am. (1), (2), (3), (5), Register, April, 1995, No. 472, eff. 5–1–95; renum. (5) to be (5) (a) (intro.), cr. (5) (a) 1. to 3., and (b), Register, January, 2001, No. 541, eff. 2–1–01; CR 10–136: am. (title), (1) (title), renum. (1) to be (1) (a) and am., am. (2), r. (3) (title), renum. (3) to be (1) (b) and am., r. and recr. (4), am. (5) (b) Register April 2012 No. 676, eff. 7–1–12; EmR1620: emerg. am. (1) (a), (2), (4), (5) (a) 3., eff. 7–1–16; CR 16–042; am. (1) (a), (2), (4), (5) (a) 3. Register February 2017 No. 734, eff. 3–1–17; CR 21–043: r. and recr. (1), (2), am. (5) (a) 3. Register March 2022 No. 795, eff. 4–1–22.

REEB 24.06 Unauthorized practice of law. (1) UNAUTHORIZED PRACTICE OF LAW PROHIBITED. Licensees shall not engage in activities that constitute the unauthorized practice of law.

(2) LEGAL COUNSEL NOT TO BE DISCOURAGED. Licensees shall not discourage any person from retaining an attorney.

History: Cr. Register, February, 1980, No. 290, eff. 3–1–80; renum. from REB 15.06, Register, February, 1983, No. 326, eff. 3–1–83.

REEB 24.07 Inspection and disclosure duties. (1) INSPECTION OF REAL ESTATE. (a) *General requirement.* A licensee, when engaging in real estate practice that involves real estate improved with a structure, shall conduct a reasonably competent and diligent inspection of accessible areas of the structure and immediately surrounding areas of the property to detect observable, material adverse facts. A licensee, when engaging in real estate practice that involves vacant land, shall, if the vacant land is accessible, conduct a reasonably competent and diligent inspection of the vacant land to detect observable material adverse facts.

(b) *Listing firm.* When listing real estate and prior to execution of the listing contract, a licensee shall inspect the real estate as required by sub. (1), and shall make inquiries of the seller on the condition of the structure, mechanical systems and other relevant aspects of the property as applicable. The licensee shall request that the seller provide a written response to the licensee's inquiry.

(c) *Other licensees.* Licensees, other than listing firms, shall inspect the real estate as required by sub. (1) prior to or during a showing of the property, unless the licensee is not given access for a showing.

(d) Specific conduct regarding inspections. A reasonably competent and diligent inspection of real estate improved with a structure does not require the operation of mechanical equipment; the opening of panels, doors or covers for access to mechanical systems; or the moving of furniture, boxes or other property; nor does it require a licensee to observe areas of the property for which entry presents an unreasonable risk of injury or areas accessible only by ladder, by crawling or other equivalent means of access. A licensee is not required to retain third party inspectors or investigators to complete a reasonably competent and diligent inspection. A reasonably competent and diligent inspection. A reasonably competent and diligent inspection of vacant land does not require an observation of the entire property, but shall include, if given access, an observation of the property from at least one point on or adjacent to the property.

(2) DISCLOSURE OF MATERIAL ADVERSE FACTS. A licensee may not exaggerate or misrepresent facts in the practice of real estate. A licensee, when engaging in real estate practice, shall disclose to each party, in writing and in a timely fashion, all material adverse facts that the licensee knows and that the party does not know or cannot discover through a reasonably vigilant observation, unless the disclosure of the material adverse fact is prohibited by law. This provision is not limited to the condition of the property, but includes other material adverse facts in the transaction.

Note: Certain "material adverse facts", as defined in s. REEB 24.02 (12), may not be disclosed by law. For example, unless specifically authorized by a seller, a licensee may not disclose to a potential buyer the actual minimum sales price the seller will accept. See s. 452.133 (1) (d), Stats.

(3) DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION SUGGESTING MATERIAL ADVERSE FACTS. A licensee, when engaging in real estate practice, who becomes aware of information suggesting the possibility of material adverse facts to the transaction, is practicing competently

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if the licensee discloses to the parties the information suggesting the possibility of material adverse facts to the transaction in writing and in a timely fashion, recommends the parties obtain expert assistance to inspect or investigate for possible material adverse facts to the transaction, and, if directed by the parties, drafts appropriate inspection or investigation contingencies. This provision is not limited to the condition of the property, but includes other material adverse facts to the transaction, including defects and conditions included within the report form under ss. 709.03 and 709.033, Stats. A licensee is not required to retain third party inspectors or investigators to perform investigations of information suggesting the possibility of a material adverse fact to the transaction.

(4) DISCLOSURE OF SIDE AGREEMENTS. A licensee, when engaging in real estate practice, who becomes aware of the fact that a party to the transaction has not disclosed that party's entire agreement regarding the transaction to that party's secured lender, shall disclose this fact, in writing and in a timely manner, to the party's secured lender.

(5) RELIANCE UPON THIRD PARTY INSPECTIONS AND INVESTIGA-TIONS. If a licensee or a party in a transaction engages the services of a qualified third party to conduct a property inspection or investigation of material facts, the licensee may rely on the results of the inspection or investigation providing the licensee obtains a written report of the inspection or investigation and delivers a copy of the report to all parties in a timely manner.

(6) INCONSISTENCIES. If a licensee's reasonably competent and diligent inspection reveals facts materially inconsistent with or materially contradictory to the seller's statements provided under sub. (1) (a), or the inspection or investigation report of a third party, the inconsistency shall be disclosed in writing and in a timely manner to the parties.

(7) FALSE INFORMATION. Licensees shall not knowingly give false information about another licensee or property listed with another licensee.

(8) DISCLOSURE OF AGENCY. (a) General requirements. 1. A firm or licensee shall provide a written disclosure statement as prescribed under s. 452.135, Stats.

1r. If a firm is negotiating on behalf of a party who is not the client of another firm and the negotiations are related to real estate primarily intended for use as a residential property containing one to 4 dwelling units, the firm shall request the party's signed acknowledgement that the party has received a copy of the written disclosure statement.

2. Licensees acting as agents of potential buyers of real estate that is used or intended to be used principally for one to 4 family residential purposes, who are negotiating directly with the seller or who are aware that the owner of the real estate has granted a listing firm the exclusive right to sell, shall notify the seller or the listing firm, as applicable, of the licensee's buyer agency relationship at the earlier of all of the following:

a. The first contact with the seller or the listing firm where information regarding the seller or transaction is being exchanged.

b. A showing of the property.

c. Any other negotiation with the seller or the listing firm.

3. When the nature of a licensee's representation of a client or customer changes such that it makes the initial disclosure that was provided under s. 452.135, Stats., incomplete, misleading, or inaccurate, the licensee shall provide the customer or client with a new disclosure, as required in s. 452.135, Stats.

(b) Agency agreements. 1. Firms and the licensees associated with the firm shall explain to their clients the responsibilities of listing agents, buyer's agents, and subagents before entering into an agency agreement.

2. No firm or licensees associated with the firm may permit other firms to act as subagents in a transaction unless the firm's client has authorized the use of a subagent in the agency agreement

(c) Written proposals. Licensees shall state, in the offer to purchase, the lease, the option to purchase, or the exchange agreement, whom the licensee represents as an agent in a transaction.

(d) Disclosure statements. 1. A listing firm shall provide a disclosure statement to a customer as required in s. 452.135 (1), Stats., to the buyer if negotiations are being conducted directly with the buyer and not through a buyer's firm. This requirement may be waived if the buyer's firm has an exclusive right to locate buyer agency agreement that includes a provision removing the exclusive right to negotiate.

2. A buyer's firm shall provide a disclosure statement to a customer as required in s. 452.135 (1), Stats., to a seller if negotiations are being conducted directly with the seller and not through a seller's firm, unless the seller has waived the firm's duty to negotiate under s. 452.133(6), Stats.

3. A subagent shall provide a disclosure statement to a customer as required in s. 452.135 (1), Stats., with whom the subagent is working but not to the principal firm's client.

4. A principal firm is not required to provide a disclosure statement to a customer as required in s. 452.135 (1), Stats., to a customer of their subagents.

(e) Agency agreements for lease and property management contracts. 1. A licensee who is entering into agency agreements for lease or property management contracts shall provide to the client the disclosure statement as required in s. 452.135 (2), Stats.

2. A licensee shall provide to prospective tenants a disclosure statement as required in s. 452.135 (1), Stats., when negotiating the terms of a lease on behalf of the client.

History: Cr. Register, February, 1980, No. 290, eff. 3-1-80; emerg. r. (2), eff. 10-14-80; cr. (3), Register, December, 1980, No. 300, eff. 1-1-81; r. (2), Register, 10–14–80; cr. (3), Register, December, 1980, No. 300, eff. 1-1-81; r. (2), Register, March, 1981, No. 303, eff. 4–1–81; renum, from REB 15.07, Register, February, 1983, No. 326, eff. 3–1–83; cr. (2), Register, January, 1987, No. 373, eff. 2–1–87; am. (1), r. and recr. (2), cr. (4), Register, June, 1988, No. 390, eff. 7–1–88; am. (1), cr. (1) (a) to (c) and (4) (d), r. and recr. (2), Register, September, 1990, No. 417, eff. 10–1–90; r. and recr. (1), renum. (2), (3), (4) to be (5), (6), (7), cr. (2), (3), (4), Register, July, 1993, No. 451, eff. 8–1–93; am. (1) (a), (d), (2), (3), (5), renum. (1) (a), (b) to be (1) (b) (c) and qm. (6) to be (7), r. (1) (a) (7), cr. (2) eff. (6) (7), cr. (2) (b), (c) and am, (6) to be (7), r. (1) (c), (7), r. and recr. (4), cr. (6), (8), Register, April, 1995, No. 472, eff. 5–1–95; am. (8) (a) 2. (intro.), a. and c., Register, January, 2001, No. 541, eff. 2–1–01; CR–136: r. and recr. (8) (a) 1., cr. (8) (a) 1g., 1r., am. (8) (a) 2. No. 54, eff. 2–1–67, CK–156, r. and feel. (6) (a) 1, cf. (6) (a) 1g, ff, and (6) (a) 2, (intro.), 3, r. (8) (a) 4, am. (8) (b) (ittle), 1, 2, (c), r. and recr. (8) (d), (e) Register April 2012 No. 676, eff. 7–1–12; EmR1620: emerg. am. (1) (b) (ittle), (c), (3), (8) (a) 1. to 1r., 2. (intro.), a, c., (b), (d), (e), eff. 7–1–16; CR 16–042: am. (1) (b) (ittle), (c), (3), (8) (a) 1. to 1r., 2. (intro.), a, c., (b), (d), (e), eff. 7–1–16; CR 16–042: am. (1) (b) (ittle), (c), (3), (3) (a) 1. to 1r., 2. (intro.), a, c., (b), (d), (e) Register February 2017 No. 734, eff. -1-17; CR 21-043: am. (1) (a), (c), (3), (5), r. and recr. (8) (a) 1., r. (8) (a) 1g., am. (8) (a) Ir., (d) (title), 1. to 3., (e) 1. Register March 2022 No. 795, eff. 4–1–22; correction in (3) made under s. 13.92 (4) (b) 7., Stats., Register March 2022 No. 795.

REEB 24.075 Tie-in arrangements. Licensees shall not:

(1) Condition the sale of real estate owned by the licensee or whose sale is effectively controlled by the licensee to a buyer upon the buyer's agreement to purchase another parcel or real estate.

(2) Condition the sale of real estate owned by the licensee or whose sale is effectively controlled by the licensee upon the buyer's agreement to list the real estate or other real estate owned by the buyer with the licensee.

Note: The following are 2 common examples of activities which would violate this subsection: (1) requiring a builder to list a speculation home with the licensee; and (2) requiring a buyer to list a present home with the licensee.

(3) Condition the sale of vacant real estate owned by the licensee or whose sale is effectively controlled by the licensee upon the buyer's agreement to employ one or more specific builders to make improvements on the real estate unless:

(a) The builder owns a bona fide interest in the real estate; and there is full disclosure as specified under s. 452.133 (3) (c), Stats.

(b) The builder and the licensee or the builder and the owner of the real estate are the same person or are commonly controlled

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corporations and whose business is selling improved property and not vacant land; and there is full disclosure as specified in s. 452.133 (3) (c), Stats.

(c) The agreement is a bona fide effort to maintain development quality or architectural uniformity and no consideration passes from a builder to a licensee for soliciting this agreement. **History:** Cr. Register, December, 1980, No. 300, eff. 1–1–81; renum. from REB

15.075 and am. (3) (a) and (b), Register, February, 1980, No. 326, eff. 3–1–83; correction in (3) (a), (b) made under s. 13.92 (4) (b) 7., Stats., Register November 2011 No. 671; correction in (3) (a), (b) made under s. 13.92 (4) (b) 7. Stats., Register November 2011 No. 676; CR 21–043: am. (3) (a) to (c) Register March 2022 No. 795, eff. 4–1–22.

REEB 24.08 Agreements to be in writing. A licensee shall put in writing all listing contracts, guaranteed sales agreements, buyer agency agreements, offers to purchase, property management agreements, options, financial obligations and any other written proposals regarding transactions, expressing the exact agreement of the parties. This section does not apply if the writing is completed by the parties or their attorneys or the writing is outside the scope of the licensee's authority under ch. REEB 16.

History: Cr. Register, February, 1980, No. 290, eff. 3–1–80; renum. from REB 15.08, Register, February, 1983, No. 326, eff. 3–1–83; am. Register, January, 1987, No. 373, eff. 2–1–87; am. Register, June, 1988, No. 390, eff. 7–1–88; am. 24.08, Register, July, 1993, No. 451, eff. 8–1–93; correction made under s. 13.92 (4) (b) 7., Stats., Register November 2011 No. 671; CR 21–043: am. Register March 2022 No. 795, eff. 4–1–22.

REEB 24.085 False portrayal of interest, prohibited. No licensee shall draft or use any document that the licensee knows falsely portrays an interest in real estate.

History: Cr. Register, December, 1980, No. 300, eff. 1–1–81; renum. from REB 15.085, Register, February, 1983, No. 326, eff. 3–1–83; CR 21–043: am. Register March 2022 No. 795, eff. 4–1–22.

REEB 24.09 Securing agency agreements. A licensee may not mislead a potential client regarding the benefits that might be realized by using the licensee's services. A licensee also may not mislead a potential client regarding the market value of real estate or a business opportunity to be leased, rented, purchased, optioned, or sold under an agency agreement.

History: Cr. Register, February, 1980, No. 290, eff. 3–1–80; renum. from REB 15.09, Register, February, 1983, No. 326, eff. 3–1–83; r. and recr. Register, April, 1995, No. 472, eff. 5–1–95; CR 10–136: am. Register April 2012 No. 676, eff. 7–1–12; CR 21–043: am. Register March 2022 No. 795, eff. 4–1–22.

REEB 24.10 Net listing prohibited. Licensees shall not obtain, negotiate or attempt to obtain or negotiate any listing contract providing for a stipulated net price to the owner with the excess over the stipulated net price to be received by the firm as commission.

History: Cr. Register, February, 1980, No. 290, eff. 3–1–80; renum. from REB 15.10, Register, February, 1983, No. 326, eff. 3–1–83; EmR1620: emerg. am., eff. 7–1–16; CR 16–042: am. Register February 2017 No. 734, eff. 3–1–17.

REEB 24.12 Confidentiality of offers. (1) Except as provided in sub.(2), a licensee acting as a principal or an agent in a real estate or business opportunity transaction shall not disclose any of the terms of one prospective buyer's offer to purchase, exchange agreement, or option to any other prospective buyer or to any person with the intent that this information be disclosed to any other prospective buyer. Licensees shall encourage all prospective buyers to submit their best offers. A licensee may, but is not required to, disclose information known by the licensee regarding the existence of other offers on the property, that a seller has accepted an offer, that the offer is subject to contingencies, and that the offer is subject to a clause requiring removal of certain contingencies upon the occurrence of an event such as receipt, acceptance, or conditional acceptance of another offer.

(2) If a licensee is providing brokerage services in a transaction and the licensee has knowledge that the property is subject to a right of first refusal, the licensee shall disclose the right of first refusal, in writing and in a timely manner, to all persons seeking to acquire an interest subject to the right of first refusal. After disclosure of the right of first refusal to a party seeking to acquire an interest in the property, the licensee may deliver a copy of that party's offer to purchase, exchange agreement, option, or lease to the party holding the right of first refusal.

History: Cr. Register, February, 1980, No. 290, eff. 3–1–80; am. Register, March, 1981, No. 303, eff. 4–1–81; renum. from REB 15.12, Register, February, 1983, No. 326, eff. 3–1–83; am. Register, July, 1993, No. 451, eff. 8–1–93; renum. RL 24.12 to be (1), cr. (2), Register, January, 2001, No. 541, eff. 2–1–01; CR 21–043: am. Register March 2022 No. 795, eff. 4–1–22.

REEB 24.13 Drafting and submission of written proposals. (1) REFUSAL PROHIBITED. Licensees shall not refuse to draft or submit any written proposal unless the terms of the written proposal would be contrary to specific written instructions of the other party.

(2) ACCESS TO PROPERTY FOR SHOWINGS. Listing firms shall permit access to listed property for showing purposes, to all buyers and persons assisting or advising buyers, without unreasonable delay, unless the buyer's or other person's access is contrary to specific written instructions of the seller.

(3) FAIR PRESENTATION OF WRITTEN PROPOSALS. (a) Licensees shall present all written proposals in an objective and unbiased manner to their clients and customers. Licensees shall inform their clients and customers of the advantages and disadvantages of all submitted written proposals.

(b) If a firm has a property listed, no licensee associated with the listing firm, including a licensed individual broker acting as a sole proprietor and licensed broker business entity, or listing firm, may submit a personal written proposal or offer to purchase a property, if the licensee has knowledge of the terms of any pending offer, except that a firm may arrange for a guaranteed sale at the time of listing.

(c) A licensee shall promptly present all written proposals received to the licensee's client or customer unless the presentation would be contrary to specific written instructions from the licensee's client or customer. A licensee shall not withhold any written proposal from presentation pending the party's action on a written proposal previously presented unless the presentation would be contrary to specific written instructions from the licensee's client or customer.

(4) NOTIFICATION OF ACTION ON WRITTEN PROPOSAL. Licensees shall promptly inform their clients and customers whether the other party has accepted, rejected, or countered their written proposal. A licensee shall immediately provide a written statement to the other party's firm that includes the date and time when the written proposal was presented when such a statement is requested by the other party or the other party's firm. A licensee shall immediately provide a written statement to the other party's firm that includes the date and time when the written proposal was rejected or had expired without acceptance when such a statement is requested by the other party or the other party's firm.

(5) NEGOTIATION THROUGH FIRM. A licensee may not negotiate a sale or lease of real estate directly with a party if the licensee knows that the party has an unexpired written contract in connection with the real estate that grants to another licensee an exclusive right to sell, lease, or negotiate. All negotiations shall be conducted with the firm holding the exclusive right to sell, lease, or negotiate, and not with the party, except with the consent of the firm or where the absence of the firm, or other similar circumstances, reasonably compels direct negotiation with the party. A listing firm has no duty to investigate whether a buyer has granted a buyer's agent an exclusive right to negotiate.

Note: The Department of Safety and Professional Services' approved form, WB-36, does not grant the buyer's agent an exclusive right to negotiate.

WB-50, does not grant the buyer's agent an exclusive right to negotiate. **History:** Cr. Register, February, 1980, No. 290, eff. 3–1–80; cr. (5), Register, March, 1981, No. 303, eff. 4–1–81; renum. from REB 15.13, Register, February, 1983, No. 326, eff. 3–1–83; renum. (3) to be (3) (a), cr. (3) (b), am. (4), Register, January, 1987, No. 373, eff. 2–1–87; am. (3) (a), Register, June, 1988, No. 390, eff. 7–1–88; am. (3) (b), r. and recr. (2), Register, July, 1993, No. 451, eff. 8–1–93; am. (3) (b) and (5), Register, January, 2001, No. 541, eff. 2–1–01; CR 10–136; am. (title), (1), (2) (title), (b), (3) (title), (a), (4), (5) Register April 2012 No. 676, eff. 7–1–12; EmR1620: emerg. am. (2) (a), (3) (b), (4), (5), eff. 7–1–16; CR 16–042; am. (2) (a), (3) (b), (4), (5) Register February 2017 No. 734, eff. 3–1–17; CR 21–043; am. (1), (2) (title), renum. (2) (a) to (2), r. (2) (b), am. (3) (b), cr. (3) (c), am. (5) Register March 2022 No. 795, eff. 4–1–22.

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History: Cr. Register, February, 1980, No. 290, eff. 3–1–80; renum. from REB 15.15, Register, February, 1983, No. 326, eff. 3–1–83; CR 21–043: am. Register March 2022 No. 795, eff. 4–1–22.

REEB 24.17 Miscellaneous requirements. (1) VIO-LATIONS OF LAW. Licensees may not violate, or aid or abet the violation of, any law the circumstances of which substantially relate to the practices of a real estate licensee. A licensee, who has been convicted of a crime, shall send to the board, within 48 hours after the judgment of conviction, a copy of the complaint or other information that describes the nature of the crime and the judgment of conviction in order that the board determine whether the circumstances of the crime of which the licensee was convicted are substantially related to the practice of a real estate licensee, pursuant to s. 111.335 (3) (a), Stats.

(2) CONVICTION. The board may discipline a licensee on the basis of a conviction of any crime, the circumstances of which substantially relate to the practice of real estate. A certified copy of a judgment of a court of record showing such conviction, within this state or without, shall be presumptive evidence of conviction.

(2m) FELONY CONVICTION. The board may revoke a license based on a conviction of a felony that is a bar to licensure under s. 452.25 (1) (a), Stats.

(3) VIOLATION OF STATUTES, ADMINISTRATIVE CODE AND BOARD ORDERS. Licensees may not violate any provisions or terms or conditions of, or aid or abet the violation of ch. 452, Stats., chs. REEB 11 to 25 or any order of, the board.

(4) IMPAIRED PRACTICE. Licensees shall not render services while the ability of the licensee to competently perform duties is impaired by mental or emotional disorder, drugs or alcohol.

(5) DUTY TO COOPERATE WITH THE BOARD AND THE DEPART-MENT. Licensees and applicants shall respond to the department and the board regarding any request for information within 30 days of the date of the request.

days of the date of the request. **History:** Cr. Register, February, 1980, No. 290, eff. 3–1–80; am. (2), Register, December, 1980, No. 300, eff. 1–1–81; renum. from REB 15.17 and am. (2), Register, February, 1983, No. 326, eff. 3–1–83; am. (1), Register, January, 1986, No. 373, eff. 2–1–87; renum. (2) and (3) to be (3) and (4), cr. (2), Register, June, 1988, No. 390, eff. 7–1–88; am. (3), Register, July, 1998, No. 511, eff. 8–1–98; correction in (1), (3) made under s. 13.92 (4) (b) 6., 7., Stats., Register November 2011 No. 671; CR 10–136: am. (1), cr. (5) Register April 2012 No. 676, eff. 7–1–12; CR 15–051; cr. (2m) Register January 2016 No. 721, eff. 2–1–16; correction in (3) made under s. 13.92 (4) (b) 7., Stats., Register January 2017 No. 734, eff. 3–1–17; correction in (1) made under s. 13.92 (4) (b) 7., Stats., Register December 2018 No. 756; CR 18–051; am. (3) Register July 2019 No. 763, eff. 8–1–19; CR 21–043; am. (1), (2m), (3) Register March 2022 No. 795, eff. 4–1–22.

452.07 Rules.

(1) The board shall promulgate rules for the guidance of the real estate profession and define professional conduct and unethical practice.

452.133 Duties of licensees; prohibitions.

- (1) DUTIES TO ALL PARTIES TO A TRANSACTION. A firm providing brokerage services to a party to a transaction owes all of the following duties to the party:
- (a) The duty to provide brokerage services honestly and fairly.
- (b) The duty to provide brokerage services with reasonable skill and care.
- (c) The duty to timely disclose in writing all material adverse facts that the firm knows and that the party does not know or cannot discover through reasonably vigilant observation, unless the disclosure of a material adverse fact is prohibited by law.
- (d) The duty to keep confidential any information given to the firm in confidence, or any information obtained by the firm that the firm knows a reasonable person would want to be kept confidential, unless the information must be disclosed by law or the person whose interests may be adversely affected by the disclosure specifically authorizes the disclosure of particular information. The firm shall continue to keep the information confidential after the transaction is complete and after the firm is no longer providing brokerage services to the party.
- (e) The duty to provide accurate information about market conditions that affect the transaction, within a reasonable time after a request for such information by the party, unless disclosure of the information is prohibited by law.
- (f) The duty to safeguard trust funds and other property held as required by rules promulgated under s. $\frac{452.13}{(5)}$.
- (g) When the firm is negotiating on behalf of a party, the duty to present contract proposals in an objective and unbiased manner and disclose the advantages and disadvantages of the proposals.
- (2) DUTIES TO CLIENTS. A firm providing brokerage services to a client owes the client the duties that the firm owes to a party under sub. (1) and all of the following additional duties:
- (a) The duty to loyally represent the client's interests by doing all of the following:
- 1. Placing the client's interests ahead of the interests of the firm.
- 2. Placing the client's interests ahead of the interests of persons in the transaction who are not the firm's clients by not disclosing to persons in the transaction other than the firm's clients information or advice the disclosure of which is contrary to the interests of a client of the firm, unless the disclosure is required by law.
- (am) The duty to provide, when requested by the client, information and advice to the client on matters that are material to the client's transaction and that are within the scope of the knowledge, skills, and training required under this chapter.
- (b) The duty to disclose to the client all information known by the firm that is material to the transaction and that is not known by the client or discoverable by the client through reasonably vigilant observation, except for confidential information under sub. (1) (d) and other information the disclosure of which is prohibited by law.
- (c) The duty to fulfill any obligation required by the agency agreement, and any order of the client that is within the scope of the agency agreement, that is not inconsistent with another duty that the firm has under this chapter or any other law.
- (d) The duty to negotiate on behalf of the client.

452.23 Disclosures and inspections by brokers and salespersons.

- (1) No licensee may disclose to any person in connection with the sale, exchange, purchase, or rental of real property information, the disclosure of which constitutes unlawful discrimination in housing under s. <u>106.50</u> or unlawful discrimination based on handicap under <u>42 USC 3604</u>, <u>3605</u>, <u>3606</u>, or <u>3617</u>.
- (2) A licensee is not required to disclose any of the following to any person in connection with the sale, exchange, purchase, or rental of real property:
- (a) That the property was the site of a specific act or occurrence, if the act or occurrence had no effect on the physical condition of the property or any structures located on the property.
- (b) Except as provided in sub. (3), information relating to the physical condition of the property or any other information relating to the real estate transaction, if a written report that discloses the information has been prepared by a qualified 3rd party and provided to the person. In this paragraph, "qualified 3rd party" means a federal, state, or local governmental agency, or any person whom the licensee or a party to the real estate transaction reasonably believes has the expertise necessary to meet the industry standards of practice for the type of inspection or investigation that has been conducted by the 3rd party in order to prepare the written report.
- (c) The location of any adult family home, as defined in s. <u>50.01 (1)</u>, community-based residential facility, as defined in s. <u>50.01 (1g)</u>, or nursing home, as defined in s. <u>50.01 (3)</u>, in relation to the location of the property.
- (d) Except as provided in s. <u>452.24</u>, any information related to the fact that a particular person is required to register as a sex offender under s. <u>301.45</u> or any information about the sex offender registry under s. <u>301.45</u>.
- (3) A licensee shall disclose to the parties to a real estate transaction any facts known by the licensee that contradict any information included in a written report described under sub. (2) (b).
- (4) In performing an inspection and in making a disclosure in connection with a real estate transaction, a licensee shall exercise the degree of care expected to be exercised by a reasonably prudent person who has the knowledge, skills, and training required for licensure under this chapter.
- (5) A licensee that in good faith provides information attributable to a state or local governmental or quasigovernmental entity, including an agency, department, board, commission, bureau, or division, or a military or public safety organization, may not be held civilly liable if that information is subsequently determined to be inaccurate, unless the licensee knew the information was inaccurate at the time the licensee provided the information. For the purpose of any proceeding, the good faith shall be presumed.

History: 1989 a. 341; 1995 a. 27; 1999 a. 82, 89; 2015 a. 258; 2023 a. 208.

An independent inspection by a qualified third party operates to relieve a broker from liability for disclosures related to the physical condition of the property. Conell v. Coldwell Banker, <u>181 Wis. 2d 894</u>, <u>512 N.W.2d 239</u> (Ct. App. 1994).

Sub. (2) (b) relieves a broker from the obligation to disclose information disclosed in a 3rd party report. Sub. (2) (b) does not apply to a separate affirmative act of negligence and does not preclude a broker's liability for a breach of other duties. Johnson v. Neuville, <u>226 Wis. 2d 365</u>, <u>595 N.W.2d 100</u> (Ct. App. 1999), <u>98-1680</u>.

452.24 Disclosure duty; immunity for providing notice about the sex offender registry.

- (1) If, in connection with the sale, exchange, purchase or rental of real property, a licensee receives a request from a person to whom the licensee is providing brokerage services in connection with the sale, exchange, purchase or rental for information related to whether a particular person is required to register as a sex offender under s. <u>301.45</u> or any other information about the sex offender registry under s. <u>301.45</u>, the licensee has a duty to disclose such information, if the licensee has actual knowledge of the information.
- (2) Notwithstanding sub. (1), the licensee is immune from liability for any act or omission related to the disclosure of information under sub. (1) if the licensee in a timely manner provides to the person requesting the information written notice that the person may obtain information about the sex offender registry and persons registered with the registry by contacting the department of corrections. The notice shall include the appropriate telephone number and Internet site of the department of corrections.

- (3) DISCLOSURE OF POTENTIAL INFORMATION SUGGESTING THAT MAY CONSTITUTE A MATERIAL ADVERSE FACTS. A licensee, when engaging in real estate practice, who becomes aware of information suggesting that may consitute the possibility of a material adverse facts to the transaction, is practicing competently if the licensee discloses to all of the parties the potential information suggesting the possibility of material adverse facts to the transaction, and, if directed by the parties, drafts appropriate inspection or investigation contingencies. This provision is not limited to the condition of the property, but includes other material adverse facts to the transaction, including defects and conditions included within the report form under ss. 709.03 and 709.033, Stats. A licensee is not required to retain third party inspectors or investigators to perform investigations of information suggesting the possibility of a material adverse fact to the transaction, including suggesting the possibility of a material adverse fact to the transaction, including defects and conditions included within the report form under ss. 709.03 and 709.033, Stats. A licensee is not required to retain third party inspectors or investigators to perform investigations of information suggesting the possibility of a material adverse fact to the transaction.
- (3) DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION SUGGESTING MATERIAL ADVERSE FACTS. A licensee, when engaging in real estate practice, who becomes aware of information suggesting the possibility of material adverse facts to the transaction, is practicing competently if the licensee may discloses to the parties the information suggesting the possibility of material adverse facts to the transaction in writing and in a timely fashion, recommends the parties obtain expert assistance to inspect or investigate for possible material adverse facts to the transaction, and, if directed by the parties, drafts appropriate inspection or investigation contingencies. This provision is not limited to the condition of the property, but includes

Something that might be helpful to add after that edited sentence: "The reasonable licensee standard is the standard for informing the parties to a transaction under this subsection. The reasonable licensee standard recommends disclosure only of information that a reasonable real estate salesperson or broker would consider a potential material adverse fact and disclose under the circumstances."

Real Estate Examining Board Rule Project Chart

Clearinghouse Rule Number	Scope #	Scope Expiration	Code Chapter Affected	Relating clause	Current Step	Next Step
	076-24	1/22/2027	REEB 12	Application Requirements	Rule drafting.	Board approval of preliminary rule draft.
	077-24	1/22/2027	REEB 24	Conduct and Ethical Practices	Rule drafting.	Board approval of preliminary rule draft.

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AGENDA REQUEST FORM

WB-?? RESIDENTIAL PRE-AGENCY SHOWING AGREEMENT

1 For purposes of this Agreement, "residential" means property with one-to-four dwelling units.

Under Wisconsin law, buyers have choices in their relationship with an agent. There are three agency options available
 for buyers: pre-agency, subagency, and buyer agency. Each agency type varies by what level of brokerage services may
 be provided.

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Compensation. A firm may receive compensation for showing properties to a prospective buyer during pre-agency. The
 Prospective Buyer and the Firm agree the Firm shall be paid as follows (insert amount, if any, and terms of payment):

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- A firm working with a buyer for services covered by this Agreement cannot receive compensation or fees from any source that exceeds the amount specified in this Agreement, unless agreed to in writing.
- 51 The compensation paid under a pre-agency agreement to a firm does not prohibit a firm from receiving other 52 compensation as an agent working with a buyer as a client or customer in the purchase of property.
- FAIR HOUSING / NON-DISCRIMINATION. The Firm and its agents agree that they will not discriminate based on race, color, sex, sexual orientation as defined in Wisconsin Statutes § 111.32(13m), disability, religion, national origin, marital status, lawful source of income, age, ancestry, family status, status as a victim of domestic abuse, sexual assault, or stalking, or in any other unlawful manner.
- NOTICE ABOUT SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY. The Prospective Buyer may obtain information about the sex offender registry and persons registered with the registry by contacting the Wisconsin Department of Corrections on the Internet at http://www.doc.wi.gov or by telephone at (608)240-5830.
- 60 **DUTIES TO ALL PARTIES.** Under Wisconsin law, a firm and its agents owe certain duties to all parties in transaction, 61 including during pre-agency. The Firm and its agents owe the Prospective Buyer:
 - The duty to provide brokerage services fairly and honestly.
 - The duty to provide brokerage services with reasonable skill and care.
- The duty to disclose in writing certain material adverse facts about a property, unless disclosure of the information is prohibited by law.
 - The duty to keep confidential information given to the firm in confidence or information a reasonable person would want to be kept confidential, unless the law requires disclosure. The firm and its agents will not disclose the confidential information of the parties.
 - The duty to provide accurate information about market conditions that affect the transaction within a reasonable time of the party's request for it, unless disclosure of the information is prohibited by law.
 - The duty to safeguard trust funds and other property held by the firm or its agents.
 - The duty, when negotiating, to present contract proposals in an objective and unbiased manner and disclose the advantages and disadvantages of the proposals.

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RESIDENTIAL PRE-AGENCY SHOWING AGREEMENT FOR WISCONSIN PROPERTIES

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