

#### APPLICATION FOR REALTOR® AND/OR MLS MEMBERSHIP BRIDGE ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS®

#### TYPE OF APPLICATION

1.	I apply for the following categories of membership (check all applicable boxes):         [] Designated REALTOR®       [] MLS Broker Participant (Responsible Broker)         (Principal, Partner, Corporate Officer       [] MLS Appraiser Participant         or Branch Office Manager)       [] MLS Subscriber         [] REALTOR®       [] MLS Clerical User         [] Affiliate member       [] MLS Clerical User	
	GENERAL INFORMATION	
2.	Name (as it appears on your license):	
3.	Nickname:	
4.	Firm Name:	roved
5.	Firm Address:	
6.	Firm Telephone Number: Firm Telephone Number-Direct:	
	Cell Number: Firm Fax Number:	
	Allow text messages from Bridge AOR/bridgeMLS (Msg & data rates may apply): [] Yes [] No	
7.	Which do you want as the primary phone? [] Firm [] Firm-Direct [] Cell	
8.	List all other DBAs:	
9.	Theme A debases	
9.	Home Address:	
10.	Home Telephone Number: Home Fax Number:	
11.	Which do you want as the primary mailing address? [] Firm [] Home	
12.	E-Mail Address:Birth Date (M/D/Y):/	
	Initial here, thereby giving Bridge & bridgeMLS permission to send important communication regarding the association and to your email address above. BAOR & bridgeMLS will never sell, provide or use this email address for any other purpose tha send important communication directly to you. Initial:	
	Receiving communication preference from the Association/bridgeMLS: [] Email Only [] Text only [] Both email & to (Msg & Data rates may apply)	ext
	Website address: Social Media Handles:	
13.	Please list your applicable license(s) corresponding with this application:	
	[ ] Broker's License, DRE License #:       Expiration Date:         [ ] Salesperson's License, DRE License #:       Expiration Date:         [ ] Corporate License, DRE License #:       Expiration Date:	
	[_] BREA Appraiser's License, Certified General, License #:       Expiration Date:         [_] BREA Appraiser's License, Certified Residential, License #:       Expiration Date:         [_] BREA Appraiser's License, License #:       Expiration Date:	
14.	Please list Professional Designations: (ex: GRI, CRS, etc.)	

15.	Primary Specialty:	[] Residential Br [] Commercial/II [] Farm and Land [] Building and I	ndustrial Brokerage 1 Brokerage	[] Apprai	ty management ising age Financing s) (please specify):_	
16.	List all Boards/Associat	ions of REALTORS	S® and MLS to which	you <u>CURR</u>	ENTLY BELONG:	-
	List all Boards/Associat	ions of REALTOR	S® and MLS to which	you <u>PREV</u>	IOUSLY BELONGE	- <u>ED:</u> -
	My NRDS # is:					-
	My NRDS Office # is:					
17.	Participant of the MLS	affiliated with a Desurtners, corporate off ate license must rem in order to join as a	signated REALTOR® ficers or branch office : ain employed by or af MLS Subscriber. If ap	to be eligib managers o filiated with plicable, pl	ole for REALTOR® : of real estate or appra h a MLS Broker Part ease complete below	membership. Persons isal firms who hold a icipant or MLS Appraiser :
	(Note: at the end of the					,
	Name of Designated RE	ALTOR®:				
	Designated REALTOR	B DRE or BREA Li	cense #:			-
	Name of MLS Broker o Participant:					
	MLS Broker or Apprais	er Participant DRE	or BREA License #:			
8.	MLS BROKER PART must cooperate with oth		CANTS ONLY. To be	e eligible fo	or MLS membership,	MLS Broker Participants
	I certify that I actively e MLS, share information purchasers and tenants	on listed property,	and make property ava	ilable to ot	ess to list real propert her brokers for show	y of the type listed on the ing to prospective
	[] Yes, I certify. [	] No, I cannot certif	ý.			
9.	of licensees employed b	® and MLS Broker by or affiliated with rom the list. On a se	and Appraiser Particip them and must also reg parate sheet or form, p	ant applicat gularly upda	nts must provide the ate the Board/Associa	Board/Association a list
a)	I am a (check the applic	able boxes):	[] sole proprietor [] corporate officer		[ ] general partner [ ] branch office ma	anager
(b)	[] Yes [ b. Have you or	ur firm subject to ar ] No	must answer the follow ay pending bankruptcy dged bankrupt within t	proceeding	-	
f you ai	nswered yes to (a) or (b), ye	-	to make cash payments	s in advance	e for membership du	es and MLS fees.

20. **DESIGNATED REALTOR® APPLICANT ONLY.** Each sole proprietor, partner or corporate officer of the real estate firm who is actively engaged in the real estate business within California or within the state in which the real estate firm is located shall be required to become a REALTOR® member if any other principal of such firm, partnership or corporation is a REALTOR® member with those states.

I certify that each sole proprietor, partner or corporate officer of the real estate firm, if any, who is actively engaged in the real estate business within California or within the state in which the real estate firm is located is a REALTOR® member. [] Yes, I certify. [] No, I cannot certify.

21. I certify that I have NO record of official sanctions rendered by the courts or other lawful authorities for violations set forth below:

(i) I have no record of official sanctions for violations of civil rights laws within the last three (3) years [] True. I certify. [] False. I cannot certify.

(ii I have no record of official sanctions for violations of real estate license laws within the last three (3) years [] True. I certify. [] False. I cannot certify.

(iii) I have no record of criminal convictions within the past ten years where the crime was punishable by death or imprisonment in excess of one year under the law under which the applicant was convicted (ten years is measured from the date of the conviction or the release of the applicant from the confinement imposed for that conviction, whichever is the later date)
 [] True. I certify.
 [] False. I cannot certify.

If you could not certify any of the above, please attach additional sheets with all relevant details about the violation(s), including the date(s), type of violation(s), and a copy of the discipline, if any.

22. Have you ever been disciplined by any Boards/Associations or MLSs?

[] Yes. If yes, attach copies of the discipline. [] No.

23. Have you ever been disciplined by the DRE?

[] Yes. If yes, provide all relevant details and dates (or attach copies of discipline). [] No.

## GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF MEMBERSHIP

1. Bylaws, policies and rules. When applying for Designated REALTOR® and REALTOR® membership, upon acceptance and payment of all dues and assessments, I will automatically become a member of the California Association of REALTORS® and the National Association of REALTORS®, as well as my local Board/Association. I agree to abide by the bylaws, policies and rules of the Board/Association, the bylaws, policies and rules of the California Association of Realtors®, including the <u>California Code of Ethics and Arbitration Manual</u> and the constitution, bylaws, policies and rules of the National Association of REALTORS®, including the NAR Code of Ethics, all as may from time to time be amended.

#### Applicant's initials

2. Use of the term REALTOR®. I understand that the professional designations REALTOR® are federally registered trademarks of the National Association of REALTORS®("N.A.R.") and use of these designations are subject to N.A.R. rules and regulation. I agree that I cannot use these professional designations until this application is approved, all my membership requirements are completed, and I am notified of membership approval in one of these designations. I further agree that should I cease to be a REALTOR®, I will discontinue use of the term REALTOR® in all certificates, signs, seals or any other medium.

#### Applicant's initials

3. Orientation. I understand that if the Board/Association or the MLS requires orientation, I must complete such orientation prior to becoming a member of the Board/Association or MLS, or by the deadline set by the Board/Association or the MLS if provisional membership is allowed. I understand that unless or until I complete required orientation, my application for membership will not be granted, including that in the event a Board/Association or MLS granted any introductory provisional membership pending timely completion of orientation, that said provisional membership will be dropped upon expiration of the deadline set.

#### Applicant's initials

4. **License validity.** I understand that if my license is terminated, lapses or inactivated at any time, my REALTOR® membership and/or MLS participation/subscription is subject to immediate termination.

#### Applicant's initials

 No refund. I understand that my Board/Association membership dues and MLS fees are non-refundable. In the event I fail to maintain eligibility for membership or for MLS Services for any reason, I understand I will not be entitled to a refund of my dues or fees.

#### Applicant's initials

6. **Authorization to release and use information; waiver**. I authorize the Board/Association or its representatives to verify any information provided by me in this application by any method including contacting the California Department of Real Estate, my current or past responsible broker or designated REALTOR®, or any Board/Association or MLS where I held,

or continue to hold, any type of membership. I further authorize any Board/Association or MLS where I held, continue to hold, any type of membership to release all my membership or disciplinary records to this Board/Association, including information regarding (i) all final findings of Code of Ethics violations or other membership duties within the past three (3) years; (ii) pending ethics complaints (or hearings); (iii) unsatisfied discipline pending; (iv) pending arbitration requests (or hearings); and (v) unpaid arbitration awards or unpaid financial obligations. I understand that any information gathered under this authorization may be used in evaluating my application for membership and future disciplinary sanctions. I waive any legal claim or cause of action against the Board/Association, its agents, employees or members including, but not limited to, slander, libel or defamation of character, that may arise from any action taken to verify, evaluate or process this application or other use of the information authorized and released hereunder.

#### Applicant's initials

7. By signing below, I expressly authorize the Board/Association/MLS, including the local, state and national, or their subsidiaries or representatives to fax, e-mail, telephone, text or send by U.S. mail to me, at the fax numbers, e-mail, telephone and text numbers and addresses above, for any and all Board/Association/MLS (including the local, state and national, or their subsidiaries or representatives) communications, including but not limited to those for political purposes and/or material advertising the availability of or quality of any property, goods or services offered, endorsed or promoted by the Board/Association/MLS (including the local, state and national, or their subsidiaries or representatives).

#### Applicant's initials

8. Photo/Video Release. I hereby grant Board/Association permission to use my likeness in a photograph, video, or other digital media ("photos") in any and all of its publications, including web-based publications, without payment or other consideration. I understand and agree that all photos taken of me at all BAOR events will become the property of the Board/Association and will not be returned. In addition, I waive any right to inspect or approve the finished product wherein my likeness appears.

#### Applicant's initials

- 9. Additional terms and conditions for MLS applicants only. I understand and agree that by becoming and remaining a broker participant or subscriber to the MLS, I agree to abide by the MLS rules, as from time to time amended, including but not limited to the following:
  - A. I agree not to use the MLS data for any purpose other than to market property or support market valuations or appraisals as specifically set forth in the rules.
  - B. I agree not to reproduce any portion of the listings except as provided in the MLS rules.
  - C. I agree not to download MLS data except as provided in the MLS rules.
  - D. I agree not to allow anyone other than authorized participants, their subscribers and the clerical users as defined in the MLS rules to access any computer or device receiving MLS information. I agree not to transmit to or share the information with any participants, subscribers and clerical users, or any other non-subscribing licensee or third party, not authorized to access the system by the rules. I agree not to use the MLS to create another product except as may be used by the participant who downloaded the data in compliance with the MLS rules.
  - E. I agree I will not give or sell my password to any person or make it available to any person. I further understand that the California Penal Code and the United States Code prohibits unauthorized access to computer data bases. I agree not to allow such unauthorized access by use of any of my equipment, devices or pass codes.
  - F. I understand that clerical users may be authorized to have limited access to the MLS for clerical support only. I understand that clerical users are not allowed to use the information in any way other than to provide such information to me. Persons performing any activities that require a real estate license are not eligible for this clerical user classification. I further understand that any violation by a clerical user employed by me, under contract with me or used by me is my responsibility and can result in discipline and ultimate termination of MLS services.
  - G. I will not lend or make available my lockbox key, code or device to any person, even if an authorized MLS user. I further understand that the Board/MLS can incur costs in securing the system if I fail to take adequate measures to protect my key, code or device and lockbox and that I may be held responsible for these costs. Failure to adhere to key and lockbox requirements could undermine the security of homeowners.
  - H. I understand and agree that the above statements are in addition to the MLS rules, to which I have also agreed. Violation of any MLS rule may result in discipline, fine and ultimate termination of the service. In addition to that, my actions may cause damage to Board/Association which owns the MLS and the Board may pursue its legal remedies against me to recover such damages.
  - I. I acknowledge receipt of a copy of the Rules and Regulations of the bridgeMLS, and agree to abide by such Rules and Regulations as they exist and as they may from time to time be amended.

Applicant's initials in agreement to 9A-9I

9 REALTOR® and MLS applicants only; Arbitration Agreement. A condition of membership in the Board/Association as a REALTOR® or REALTOR-ASSOCIATE® and participant in the MLS is that you agree to binding arbitration of disputes. As a REALTOR® (including Designated REALTOR®) or REALTOR-ASSOCIATE® member, you agree for yourself and the corporation or firm for which you act as a partner, officer, principal or branch office manager to binding arbitration of disputes with (i) other REALTOR® or REALTOR-ASSOCIATE® members of this Board/Association; (ii) with any member of the California or National Association of REALTORS®; and (iii) any client provided the client agrees to binding arbitration at the Board/Association. As a MLS Broker or Appraiser Participant or MLS Subscriber, you agree for yourself and the corporation or firm for which you act as a partner, officer, principal or branch office manager to binding arbitration at the Board/Association. As a MLS Broker or Appraiser Participant or MLS Subscriber, you agree for yourself and the corporation or firm for which you act as a partner, officer, principal or branch office manager to binding arbitration of disputes with (i) other MLS participants and subscriber; or (ii) any other MLS Broker or Appraiser Participant or MLS Subscriber of another Board/Association MLS which shares a common database with this Board/Association MLS through a Regional or Reciprocal Agreement. Any arbitration under this agreement shall be conducted using the Board/Association facilities and in accordance with the Board/Association rules and procedures for arbitration, pursuant to the *California Code of Ethics and Arbitration Manual*.

#### Applicant's initials

10. REALTOR® Membership dues and assessments and MLS fees are set forth separately in EXHIBIT A: MEMBERSHIP DUES AND ASSESSMENTS; MLS FEES

Applicant's Initial:

#### SIGNATURE

I certify that I have read and agree to the terms and conditions of this application and that all information given in this application is true and correct.

Signature of Applicant

Date of Signature

Signature of Designated REALTOR® Date of Signature (Broker of Record who is a member of Bridge AOR)

Signature of MLS Participant Date of Signature (MLS Responsible Broker who is a member of bridgeMLS)

# EXHIBIT A MEMBERSHIP DUES AND ASSESSMENTS; MLS FEES

(Highlighted Dues & Assessments are required for REALTOR® membership; MLS is an optional membership)

#### 1. MEMBERSHIP DUES AND ASSESSMENTS

A. Local Association Allocation	
(Select amount from below pror	ation schedule)
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2024 BAOR Allocation Proration Schedule											
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
\$295	\$270.50	\$245	\$221.50	\$196	\$172.50	\$147	\$122.50	\$98	\$73.50	\$49	\$24.50

B. Local Board/Association Application/Initiation Fees

\$ 200.00

\$

## C. C.A.R. Allocation and REALTOR® Action Assessment\* \$\_\_\_\_\_

(Select amount from below proration schedule)

## 2024 C.A.R. Allocation and REALTOR® Action Assessment Proration Schedule

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
\$231	\$211.75	\$192.50	\$173.25	\$154	\$134.75	\$115.50	\$96.25	\$77	\$57.75	\$38.50	\$19.25

D. C.A.R. New Member Fee\*\*

\$<u>200.00</u>

\$

## E. N.A.R. Allocation

(Select amount from below proration schedule)

2024 N.A	À.R. Allo	cation P	roration	Schedul	e	/					
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
\$156	\$143	\$130	\$117	\$104	\$91	\$78	\$65	\$52	\$39	\$26	\$13

F. N.A.R. Special Assessment	\$ <u>45.00</u>
REALTOR® ACTION FUND*** (optional)	\$ <u>148.00 or \$49.00</u>
C.A.R. HOUSING AFFORDABILITY FUND (optional)	\$ <u>10</u>
MEMBERSHIP DUES AND ASSESSMENTS TOTAL	\$
2. MLS FEES (optional membership) MLS Application/Initiation Fees	\$ 200.00
MLS Fees (optional membership) (Select amount from below proration schedule)	\$

# 2024 MLS Proration Schedule

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
\$499	\$457.42	\$415.84	\$374.26	\$332.68	\$291.10	\$249.52	\$207.94	\$166.36	\$124.78	\$83.20	\$41.62

MLS FEES TOTAL	\$
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3. GRAND TOTAL REALTOR® & MLS

Political contributions are not deductible as charitable contributions for federal and state income tax purposes. Dues payments and assessments (Local Association, C.A.R., and NAR) and contributions to "REALTOR® Action Fund" are not tax deductible as charitable contributions.

Contributions to C.A.R Housing Affordability Fund are charitable and tax deductible under both Federal and State law. However, the dues portion of your bill, excluding the portion of dues used for lobbying

activities, REALTOR® Action Assessment and REALTOR® Action Fund, may be deductible as ordinary and necessary business expenses. Please consult your tax professional.

\*The REALTOR® Action Assessment (\$69 of the \$231) will automatically be deposited into CREPAC, CREIEC, and/or IMPAC and used for other political purposes. Those wishing to have their assessment entirely applies for more general political purposes may specify in writing and it will be redirected into a different account instead of one of the dedicated California real estate PACS (CREPAC, CREIEC or IMPAC). Designated REALTOR® must pay the \$69 REALTOR® Action Assessment for each licensee of that DR (as shown in the nonmember count), and the payment will be attributed to the Designated REALTOR®.

\*\*Make a difference by helping promote REALTOR® interest through the political process and designate an additional \$49 or more to the REALTOR® Action Fund. \$49 is the suggested additional voluntary contribution but you may give more, or less, or nothing at all. See additional information on the political contribution structure here.

## All dues, assessments and fees are non-refundable.

I consent to the C.A.R. Privacy Policy found at www.car.org/privacy.

## LEGAL NOTICES AND DISCLOSURES

## **REALTOR®** ACTION ASSESSMENT & FUND: Explanation and Legal Notice

California Association of REALTORS® (C.A.R.) Political Action Committees: C.A.R. sponsors four Political Action Committees (PACs). CREPAC is used to support state and local candidates to further the goals of the real estate industry. CREIEC is an independent expenditure committee that independently advocates for or against candidates in accordance with the interests of the real estate industry. CREPAC/Federal supports candidates for the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives. IMPAC supports local and state ballot measures and other advocacy oriented issues that impact real property in California. IMPAC is funded by your dues dollars. C.A.R. also supports the Advocacy Local Fund (ALF), a non-PAC fund for expenditures on general advocacy activities.

REALTOR® Action Assessment (RAA): This mandatory \$69 state political assessment may be satisfied in one of two ways: either (1) a voluntary contribution to CREPAC, CREIEC, and/or IMPAC and/or other related political purposes or (2) a designation of the funds for political purposes in the C.A.R. general fund. You may include the entire amount on one check and if you do so, \$69 will go into CREPAC, CREIEC and/or IMPAC, or other related political purposes. If you have an assessment that is over \$138 due to your DR nonmember count, then any amount over \$138 contributed to the state PACs (i.e. CREPAC, CREIEC and IMPAC) will go into CREIEC. If you choose not to contribute to a PAC, you must do so in writing and the entire assessment of \$69 will be placed in the C.A.R. general fund and used for other political purposes. PAC contributions from the REALTOR® Action Assessment will be allocated among CREPAC, CREIEC, IMPAC and possibly ALF. The allocation formula is subject to change. Payment of the assessment is a requirement of maintaining membership.

REALTOR® Action Fund (RAF): REALTORS®, and REALTOR-ASSOCIATES® may also participate in RAF by including an additional voluntary contribution on the same check as your dues and assessment payment. Forty-nine dollars (\$49) is the suggested additional voluntary contribution but you may give more, or less, or nothing at all. No member will be favored or disfavored by reason of the amount of his/her contribution or his/ her decision not to contribute. Contributions to the REALTOR® Action Fund will be allocated among C.A.R.'s political action committees (CREPAC, CREIEC, and CREPAC/Federal) according to a formula approved by C.A.R. depending on whether it is a personal or corporate contribution. The allocation formula is subject to change including re-designating a portion to IMPAC and ALF. Failure to contribute to RAF will not affect an individual's membership status in C.A.R. CORPORATE CONTRIBUTIONS to C.A.R.'s PACs are permissible and may be used for contributions to state or local candidates or for independent expenditures to support or oppose federal, state, or local candidates. However, current C.A.R. practice is to deposit all corporate contributions into CREPAC, CREIEC, IMPAC and possibly ALF in an allocation to be determined by C.A.R. A corporate contribution includes any contribution drawn from a corporate account.

PERSONAL CONTRIBUTIONS to C.A.R.'s PACs may be used for both state and federal elections and therefore may be deposited into CREPAC/ Federal in addition to all other C.A.R. political action committees. Up to \$200 of a REALTOR® Action Fund contribution will be divided between CREPAC/Federal and CREPAC, CREIEC, IMPAC and possibly ALF in an allocation to be determined by C.A.R. Any amount above \$200, up to applicable legal limits, will be allocated to CREPAC/Federal.

If you are a California major donor and need specific information regarding your contributions, please contact the C.A.R. Controller's office at (213) 739-8252. Contributions in excess of the contribution limits will be reallocated to another PAC connected with C.A.R. Under the Federal Election Campaign Act, an individual may contribute up to \$5,000 in a calendar year to CREPAC/Federal.

Political contributions are not deductible as charitable contributions for federal and state income tax purposes. Federal and State law prohibit any individual from making political contributions (either RAA or RAF) in the name of or on behalf of any other person or entity.

NOTICE REGARDING DEDUCTIBILITY OF DUES, ASSESSMENTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS 2024 ESTIMATED PORTION OF YOUR DUES USED FOR LOBBYING THAT ARE NON-DEDUCTIBLE: NAR 27.36% \$55.00 C.A.R. 34.01% \$78.56 Local 13.03% \$38.45 Total Non-Deductible (Lobbying) Dues Portion: \$172.01

Dues payments and assessments for your local association, C.A.R. and NAR, and contributions to RAF are not tax deductible as charitable contributions. However, the dues portion of your bill, excluding the portion of dues used for lobbying activities, REALTOR® Action Assessment and REALTOR® Action Fund, may be deductible as ordinary and necessary business expenses. Contributions to C.A.R. Housing Affordability Fund are charitable and tax-deductible to the extent allowed under both federal and state law. Please consult your tax professional.

## All dues, assessments, and fees are non-refundable.

# C.A.R. HOUSING AFFORDABILITY FUND & COMMUNITY FOUNDATION:

REALTORS® and REALTOR-ASSOCIATES® may make a voluntary, tax-deductible, charitable contribution to the C.A.R. Housing Affordability Fund (HAF) on the same check as the dues payment. HAF is a charitable nonprofit organization whose purpose is to address the statewide housing crisis. It receives contributions from REALTORS® and other individuals as well as businesses and other organizations and distributes funds through local associations of REALTORS® toward programs that increase homeownership and the supply of housing across the state. Community Foundation (CF) is to financially support essential programs that address housing, opportunities for our youth and champion diversity within our community.

HAF & CF are exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the IRS Code. Contributions to HAF & CF from both individuals and businesses are charitable and tax-deductible to the extent allowed under both federal and state law.

Individual contributions are designated by 'Keys to California' Pins: Ambassador (\$25), Bronze (\$100), Silver (\$500) with an option to renew annually for \$250, Gold (\$1,000) with an option to renew annually for \$350, and Founder's Circle (\$1,500) with an option to renew annually for \$500. For information about HAF, including major non-cash gifts or corporate sponsorships, visit www.carhaf.org or contact the HAF at 213-739-8200 or by mail at 525 S. Virgil Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90020.

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Check received in the amount of \$		
Orientation (if applicable) attended		
Membership start date		
MLS Participant/Subscriber start date		
Date of Verification of License		
Date Lockbox Key Issued		
Office Code		
C.A.R Member Number		
Primary Board/Association		