



REQUEST AND AGREEMENT FOR INTERBOARD ARBITRATION

1. The undersigned agrees and wants to submit to arbitration before a Hearing Panel of the North Oakland County Board of REALTORS® with the understanding that the arbitration will be conducted pursuant to the Code of Ethics and Arbitration Manual of the Board (or, alternatively, "in accordance with the professional standards procedures set forth in the Board's bylaw"). The undersigned acknowledges having had the opportunity to review the Board's procedures or having been provided with a copy of the procedures.
2. I am informed that each person named below is a member in good standing of the _____ or was a member of said Board of REALTORS® at the time the dispute arose.
3. A dispute arising out of the real estate business as defined by Article 17 of the Code of Ethics exists between me and (list all persons you wish to name as Respondents to this arbitration)

Name, Principal Broker

Address

Name

Address

Firm

Address

4. There is due, unpaid and owing to me (or I retain) from the above named persons the sum of \$ _____ My claim is predicated upon the statement attached, marked Exhibit '1' and incorporated by reference into this application.
5. The undersigned confirms that execution of this Agreement is wholly voluntary and, pursuant to this Agreement, agrees and promises to abide absolutely by the award of the Hearing Panel and, in the event of adverse decision, to make prompt compliance and to pay the fees and costs provided by the Board's professional standards procedures..
6. I enclose my check in the sum of \$ 200.00 for the arbitration filing deposit.
7. I understand that I may be represented by legal counsel, and that I should give written notice no less than fifteen (15) days before the hearing of the name, address, and phone number of my attorney to all parties and the Board. Failure to provide this notice may result in a continuance of the hearing, if the Hearing Panel determines that the rights of the other party(ies) require representation.

Each party must provide a list of the names of witnesses he intends to call at the hearing to the Board and to all other parties not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the hearing. Each party shall arrange for his witnesses to be present at the time and place designated for the hearing.

8. I declare that this application and the allegations contained herein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and this request for arbitration is filed within one hundred eighty (180) days after the closing of the transaction, if any, or within one hundred eighty (180) days after the facts constituting the arbitrate matter could have been known in the exercise of reasonable diligence, whichever is later.
9. If either party to an arbitrate request believes that the Grievance Committee has incorrectly classified the issue presented in the request (i.e. mandatory or voluntary), the party has twenty (20) days from the date of receipt of the Grievance Committee's decision to file a written appeal of the decision. Only those materials that the Grievance Committee has at the time of its determination may be considered with appeal by the Board of Directors.
10. Are the circumstances giving rise to this arbitration request the subject of civil litigation: ___ Yes ___ No
11. Important note related to arbitration conducted pursuant to Standard of Practice 17-4 (1) or (2): Where arbitration is conducted between two (or more) cooperating brokers pursuant to Standard of Practice 17-4 (1) or (2), the amount in dispute and the amount of any potential resulting award is limited to the amount paid to the respondent by the listing broker and any amount credited or paid to a party to the transaction at the direction of the respondent

Dated: _____

COMPLAINANT(S)

Signature

Signature of Principal Broker

Name (Type or Print)

Name (Type or Print)

Street Address

Street Address

City, State, Zip

City, State, Zip

**GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION FOR FILING
AND REPLYING TO COMPLAINTS**

1. Complaints must be typewritten and include specific articles of the Code of Ethics that are believed to be in violation. **Complaints and all materials accompanying must be submitted with eight (8) copies** to enable the Board to provide one to each Respondent, the members of the Grievance Committee and one copy for the Board's records. Any reply must be typewritten and submitted with eight (8) copies. Additional copies of the complaint and reply should be furnished by the Complainant and Respondent as requested by the Secretary. If the Complainant is a member of the public, extra copies of the complaint should not be requested.
2. Complaints will be referred to the Board Secretary (or Executive Officer); and by the Secretary to the Chairman of the Grievance Committee. If the Grievance Committee finds the matter to constitute a proper cause of action, it will be referred to the Board Secretary to arrange a hearing; if not found to constitute a proper cause of action, it will be returned to the Complainant with the decision of the Grievance Committee together with information advising the Complainant of the procedures by which the Grievance Committee's decision may be appealed to the Board of Directors.
3. Respondent will have fifteen (15) days after service of copy of complaint to make reply to it. If there is to be a hearing, copy of reply will be sent to Complainant, the Board President, and the Professional Standards Committee Chairman. The date for hearing will be set and all parties will be notified of the date and place of hearing at least twenty-one (21) days in advance.
4. If no reply is received from Respondent within fifteen (15) days from service of copy of the complaint, date and place of hearing will be set and the charges may be taken as true, by default. Complainant, the Board President and Professional Standards Committee Chairman will be advised that no reply has been filed.
5. All parties may be represented by legal counsel provided that notice of intention to be represented is transmitted to all other parties and to the Hearing Panel at least fifteen (15) days prior to the hearing by the party intending to have counsel present. Failure to provide timely notice may result in a continuance of the hearing.
6. It is the responsibility of each party to arrange for their witnesses to be present at the hearing. Notice of intention to have witnesses present at the hearing must be presented to all other parties and to the Hearing Panel at least fifteen (15) days prior to the hearing by the party intending to have witnesses present. Failure to provide timely notice may result in a continuance of the hearing.
7. The notice of hearing will contain the names of members of the tribunal who will hear the case and should be accompanied by an "Outline of Procedure for Ethics or Arbitration Hearing." Either party may file with the Secretary, not less than fifteen (15) days prior to date of hearing, written request for disqualification of any member for any of the following reasons:
 - A. Is related by blood or marriage to either Complainant or Respondent.
 - B. Is an employer, partner, or employee, or in any way associated in business with either Complainant or Respondent.
 - C. Is a party to the hearing, or a party or a witness in another pending case involving Complainant or Respondent.
 - D. Knows any reason acceptable to the Hearing Panel or tribunal which may prevent him from rendering an impartial decision.
8. The parties shall not discuss the case with any member of the Hearing Panel or the Board of Directors at any time prior to announcement of a decision in the case.
9. Both parties should be present in person at the hearing. Failure to appear can result in adverse decision by default.