

# MREIA CODE OF ETHICS

MREIA members are expected to maintain a high standard of business ethics, competency, fairness, honesty and integrity. As a MREIA member I agree to and endorse the following statements:

1. Although members may offer assistance to other members, it is understood that MREIA does not render legal, financial, tax, investment or other professional services and disclaim all liability for actions (or inactions) taken (or not taken) as a result of communications with other members. MREIA's intent is to offer advice for educational purposes only. If legal or other expert assistance is required, a qualified and competent professional should be contacted. [see ABA Declaration of Principles] MREIA does not endorse any products or services offered by its vendors. It is the purchaser's responsibility to inquire about a vendor's past business practices (Dept. of Consumer Affairs, Better Business Bureau and other government regulatory agencies). The purchaser should also check that a vendor can provide proof of current appropriate insurance policies.
2. I shall treat other members with courtesy, respect and shall refrain from making inaccurate comments about other members.
3. I understand that I must individually perform due diligence in regard to all aspects of real estate and I shall not rely on any project, products, services or statements made by other members, the Board of Directors, speakers, or information published in the monthly newsletter.
4. I shall not willingly become involved in activities that may bring discredit to other members or MREIA.
5. I shall strive to keep informed about and agree to comply with new local, state and federal real estate and housing laws and regulations.
6. I shall not construct or maintain unsanitary, unsafe or uninhabitable housing.
7. I shall respect the privacy of others and shall disclose information only when required or permitted by law.
8. I shall not intentionally misrepresent material facts or take unfair advantage of others.
9. I shall not engage in fraud or other illegal practices and shall act as positive role models when providing housing, products or services to others.
10. I shall not discriminate against any person in regard to age, color, familial status, handicap, national origin, race, religion or sex as defined by applicable local, state and federal laws.
11. At all times I shall disclose potential conflicts of interest to those with whom I am dealing.

**The Executive Committee shall review any written allegations of conduct that materially violate the Code of Ethics.**