



## *Maryland Association of Appraisers, Inc.*

### **The Benefits of Belonging to a Professional Appraisal Association Membership**

### **Why Join MAA?**

### **It is more important than ever before Our Profession and the Public We Serve are at Risk**

- By not staying connected you risk missing important information on changes and expose yourself to increased liability and jeopardize both your career and the public you serve
- **MAA is the only professional organization in Maryland advocating for "boots on the ground" Real Estate Appraisers** and the public they serve at **BOTH** the State and Federal levels
- **MAA takes up issues legislatively that affect your livelihood**  
- crucial issues at both the state and Federal levels such as the recent increases of the appraisal thresholds **potentially affecting up to 90% of mortgage transactions and conceivably exempting complete market areas from requiring an appraisal; appraisal waivers; bifurcated appraisals; and the increasing use of evaluations, putting the safety of the public, the entire banking system, and our future at risk.**
- **Member discounts through our partnerships** such as **9.5% savings on E&O**, health insurance and software discounts, or on our professional course offerings - but the **benefits go far beyond that**

From the very beginning, **in response to the Coronavirus pandemic**, the Maryland Association of Appraisers has kept appraisers apprised with guidance, updates, and relevant links, all of which can still be referred to on our members section of the website. Further, in accord with CDC guidelines, we converted to alternative virtual classroom educational platforms for our continuing education classes to ensure license renewal dates could be met and also began teaching pre-licensing and qualifying education this past fall.

One of the most valuable aspects of taking on-site or live virtual education is the ability to talk amongst your peers and **walk away with local knowledge and valuable insights that put topics into meaningful contexts for the markets in which we work** - *something non-interactive self-paced online courses just can't provide - no matter how good!*

- **MAA is a founding member of the Network of State Appraisal Organizations** - now 31 and continuing to grow - those in the position to make change at the Federal level now want to meet with those of us affected by these rapidly changing policies and regulations - the working professional field appraisers that deal every day with borrowers, lender requirements, and regulations - **addressing increasing concerns and growing liability of those products and decisions that put the future of our profession and the public at substantially greater risk.**
- **Reduced Dues for all Trainees**
- **The best way to protect yourself and your future is to join the best of your peers** in an organization that stresses high standards and professionalism. We are being heard, but strength comes from numbers
- **It is expensive to maintain a presence** in Annapolis, to join with other state organizations in Washington and around the country, and to continue to develop and offer our numerous high-quality educational offerings. **Please help us to be able to continue helping you and the future of our profession and support MAA.**

**Things are happening very quickly** - The more we join together - the greater the impact we can have in **stopping these escalating, irresponsible and risky trends that are placing an unsuspecting public and our profession at great risk!**

**We sincerely appreciate your membership and welcome you and your colleagues for 2021!**

Beth L. Riedel, President



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DUES RENEWAL APPLICATION  
PLEASE FILL IN ALL BLANKS AND PRINT CLEARLY!!!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Professional Designations/Certifications \_\_\_\_\_

# of: Non-appraiser Employees \_\_\_\_\_ Appraiser Employees \_\_\_\_\_ Independent Contractor Appraiser Employees \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Practice: Primarily residential \_\_\_\_\_ Primarily commercial/non-residential \_\_\_\_\_ Mixed \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_ All State License #'s: Include classifications (ie 06, 02, 03,04):  
\_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Lic. Exp. Date(s): \_\_\_\_\_

County: \_\_\_\_\_ Home phone#: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone# \_\_\_\_\_

Fax#: \_\_\_\_\_ E&O Expiration: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone#: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional information needed for MAA Website- please complete so website is current

\*\*\*Current E-mail Address (Required for Member Log-in): \_\_\_\_\_

Types of Appraisal Practice/Expertise: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Current Geographic Areas of Coverage: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Please pay dues on-line by MasterCard or VISA at [www.mdappraisers.org](http://www.mdappraisers.org) through the onsite course registration page (scroll down to "Dues Renewal" at the bottom of the page). This form must be emailed to [info@mdappraisers.org](mailto:info@mdappraisers.org) or faxed to 410 392-2909. Dues paid by check and this application may also be mailed to MAA, P.O. Box 774, North East, Maryland 21901

Optional Website Hyperlink

( ) I am enclosing an additional fee of \$10/year for a hyperlink from MAA's website "Find an Appraiser" to my own site.

This is ( ) a first-time order ( ) a renewal of this hyperlink service

( ) I do not choose to renew my hyperlink to MAA's website at this time. Existing hyperlinks not renewed will be removed.

Include a website address ONLY if you are including the \$10 fee to activate or renew the link

Website address: \_\_\_\_\_

**OFFICE USE ONLY:** Is there a current website link in database [ ] yes [ ] no (If yes, please verify payment and any changes) Is payment included to renew [ ] yes [ ] no If no, please notify administrator to remove the link