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Legal Hotline Form *NEW*

The Louisiana REALTORS Legal Hotline allows brokers to receive answers to questions pertaining to real estate law and compliance issues. Brokers simply submit their questions using the **Legal Hotline Form**, <http://www.larealtors.org/legal/hotline.asp>. Questions are then referred to the appropriate legal counsel and a response is forwarded to brokers within two business days. This valuable member service allows access to legal advice without incurring hourly lawyer fees. Questions received through the Hotline allow Louisiana REALTORS to track issues of concern to its members and develop programs and services to address them.

St. Tammany Zoning Commission Presentations

The staff of the St. Tammany Parish Zoning Commission will present its recommendations for the fourth of five study areas as part of the two year process of applying the Unified Development Code across unincorporated St. Tammany at a public meeting to be held **at 6:00 pm on June 25, 2009 in the Parish Council Chambers on Koop Drive**. For more info go to: www.stpgov.org/departments_planning_rezoning.php

Short Sale Commission Appeals Process

Are you running into trouble collecting their agreed-to commission from lenders in a short sale transaction? Fannie Mae has made it clear that lenders aren't to modify commissions after they've been agreed to by the seller and the sale associate. To help resolve cases in which lenders fail to honor commission agreements, Fannie Mae has agreed to the following [guidelines](#) for appealing lender commission actions.

The LR Standardized Forms Workgroup

will meet in September to look at the current state wide purchase agreement and review any potential changes or suggestion brought from the Local Association/Boards. If you have any comments or suggestions please forward them to margo@nomar.org

REALTOR® Emeritus

If you have, or you know of someone who has been a member of the REALTOR® Association for 40 years or more and can prove when they joined the Board, by application, letter of approval, etc., please provide this information to Kim Morgan at NOMAR. Fax to 504-888-1812 or email to kimmorgan@nomar.org.

REALTOR® QUIZZES

We've created more than a dozen interactive quizzes on hot topics that affect your business, from fair housing laws to office organization. Please click on link below.

<http://www.realtor.org/rmoquiz2.nsf/shortsales?OpenForm>

[Ins and Outs of Short Sales](#)

Are your buyers or sellers considering a short sale? These transactions can vary greatly, and they almost always involve some complications. Take this quiz to find out how much you know about these transactions.

Board Store Featured Item

Dimension Master only \$35.00 + tax.

EVENTS

Home Buying - Spanish Course June 27-28

Sulli Educational Services, Inc. is offering two 12-hour certified homebuyer programs in Kenner. The program is **\$75** per family.

Completion of the course could provide access to grants that help with down payments or closing costs. Call (504)464-6224 for information and pre-registration. Email sullieducationalservices@conchitasulli.net

EDUCATION

The CE Schedule

Will no longer be included in the weekly *REALNews*...but will be sent separately on Mondays beginning June 15th. It will also be posted weekly on Mondays on www.nomar.org under "Education". Click here for the latest schedule <http://www.nomar.org/coned/2009/ceschedule.pdf> .

OTHER

Be a Part of Our Permanent History! The "Friends of NOMAR" House

Was created by a local artist and installed in the reception area of our new building. Your permanent advertising may display your name, company name, or may be a memorial in the name of a deceased member of our REALTOR® family. Information and offer prices on house components are on our home page at www.nomar.org.

Did you miss an issue of the REALNews... or forget to note an important date?

Need information on an upcoming event? If so, the weekly updates are archived at www.nomar.org on the left side menu under "NOMAR News..."

Condolences to

...the family and friends of Fred Drouant, of Keller Williams Realty Service, who passed away June 13th.

... Margie Berry of Prudential Gardner REALTORS®, whose mother Marguerite Henton passed away 6/17 at the age of 93.

Happy Father's Day

We all at NOMAR and GSREIN would like to wish all the father's a very Happy Father's Day!!!

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