



Maryland Association of Appraisers, Inc.

The Benefits of Belonging to a Professional Appraisal Association Dues Renewal Notification

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
- Economic times have been extremely rough these past few years, yet despite rising costs, MAA dues have remained well below many other organizations - and, unchanged in excess of 10 years.
- **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.
- **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!**

The Governor of MD this past year created a task force to study ways to reduce or eliminate bias, remove barriers to entry into our profession, improve reconsideration of value process, increase anti-bias training, & ensure that govt oversight furthers valuation equity. MAA was contacted directly by the Governors office to provide two representatives who just completed their service on the 21-member task force. Further, in response to The MD Appraiser Commission mandated CE requirement for education related to racial discrimination & implicit bias (effective Nov. 1, 2023 for *all* renewals after that date), MAA developed and regularly offers a 4 hr course that is fully consistent with the Appraiser Qualifications Board [AQB] *Valuation Bias and Fair Housing Laws and Regulations* course content requirements for all levels of licensing/certification. This course is continually updated to reflect new or relevant information & is offered on a recurring basis to meet ongoing renewal needs.

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!* We are continually developing new content, 4 new courses this Fall alone, including *Artificial Intelligence (AI) Practical Applications for the Appraiser*, and are presently working on a course to get appraisers up to speed on the new Fannie Mae appraisal format once it is released toward the end of 2025, as well as several other timely courses to meet ever changing needs.

- **MAA is a founding member of the Network of State Appraisal Organizations** - those in the position to make change at the Federal level have met 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
- **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. **\$200 is a small price to pay in order to help us continue helping you & the future of our profession. Protect your livelihood 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 greater risk!**

Reinstatement/setup fees will be waived for all new & lapsed members who renew by January 8th! We sincerely appreciate your membership and welcome you and your colleagues back for 2025!

Best wishes for the Holidays and the coming year,
Beth L. Riedel, President



Maryland Association of Appraisers, Inc

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: _____

Current Geographic Areas of Coverage: _____

Please pay dues of \$200 (trainees \$165) on-line by MasterCard or VISA at www.mdappraisers.org through the onsite course registration page (scroll down to "Dues Renewal" at the bottom of the page) no later than January 8, 2025 (The reinstatement fee of \$15 will be waived for all lapsed and new members if renewed by that date). After that date, new member setup fees will apply and renewals will be subject to the reinstatement fee. This form must be emailed to 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