



MAINE ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS®

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MAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS ACTIONS:

The following are among the actions at the May 3 MAR Board of Directors meeting:

- Approved the MAR Legislative Committee recommended priority positions for legislative bills;
- Approved Judy Brossmer as a

Trustee for the Maine Association of REALTORS® PAC and the Maine Association of REALTORS® Corporate PAC;

- Selected Holiday Inn by the Bay in Portland for the October 7-9, 2025 MAR Convention if contract terms are favorable;
- Approved \$2,000 from capital reserves to upgrade the security system in the MAR building.

Reminder: [You can view MAR's legislative bill tracking report here](#) (password: codeofethics)

MAR BYLAWS UPDATE:

The MAR Bylaws, in Article XX Section 1.2 allow for the bylaws to be automatically amended if those amendments are mandated by state law. Recent campaign finance law changes required an amendment to Article XVI of the bylaws regarding the Association's Political Action Committees as follows (changes in red):

ARTICLE XVI - MAINE ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS® POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE AND MAINE ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS® CORPORATE POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

Section 1. **PURPOSE** - There shall be a Maine Association of REALTORS® POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE, also known as MARPAC, **and a Maine Association of REALTORS® Corporate POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE, also known as MARCPAC** whose purposes shall be collecting political contributions as the term "political contribution" **is defined in Section 41(e)(1)(b) of as defined in Maine Law and the Internal Revenue Code**, and expending such funds to further the candidacy of individuals for nomination or election to **any statewide** office in the State of Maine, **statewide**

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legislative/political issues that impact the real estate industry, to meet goals established by NAR and/or MAR, and to do any and all things necessary to accomplish such purposes, ~~subject to all~~ as authorized by Maine Laws and the Federal Campaign Act.

Section 2. **BYLAWS** - The ~~MARPAC Committee~~ shall be governed by the BYLAWS OF THE MAINE ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS® POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE, and the ~~MARCPAC~~ shall be governed by the BYLAWS OF THE MAINE ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS® CORPORATE POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE, as may be amended by the Board of Directors from time to time, and which, by this reference, are made part of these Bylaws.

To review MAR's full bylaws: [Click Here](#)

NAR LEGISLATIVE MEETINGS LIVESTREAM:

Learn more about the 2023 REALTORS® Legislative Meetings in D.C. happening May 6-11. We have 45 from Maine attending!



You can view several of the NAR Legislative Meeting events at no-cost, via livestream:

- May 7: 8:00 – 9:30: Legislative and Political Forum
- May 7: 4:00 – 4:30: Leadership Scoop
- May 7: 4:30 – 5:30: Advocacy Scoop
- May 8: 8:00 – 9:30: Opening Session with Scott Pelley
- May 9: 8:00 – 9:00: Residential Economic Issues and Trends with Dr. Lawrence Yun
- May 11: 8:30 – 1:00: NAR Board of Directors

[You can find the live-streamed sessions here](#)

To view the live-stream, you'll need your NAR login credentials. For login assistance use the online help feature or 1-800-874-6500 M-F, 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. (MAR will not know your NAR login credentials.)

MAR LEGAL FORMS CHANGES MEMBER FEEDBACK BY MAY 12:

If you have thoughts on what you would like added or changed to MAR legal forms, or if you have ideas for a new form, [please use this link to send feedback by May 12](#)



GREATER PORTLAND BOARD OF REALTORS®

REALTOR® GREEN DAY:

June 14, 8:30 – 4:00 p.m. at the Oceanview Dining Hall at SMCC Campus in South Portland.

Earn 6 CEUs while expanding your knowledge about energy efficiency

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and renewable energy. Build your network of local folks who are experts in what is happening right here in Maine. \$50 registration includes 6 CEUs, breakfast and lunch. [Find out more and register here](#)

2024 NAR COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT PROCESS:

The deadline is May 15 if you would like to request an appointment to a 2024 National Association of REALTORS® Committee.



NAR Committees will meet in May and November 2024 at the national REALTOR® meetings (in DC and Boston). There are currently 17 Maine REALTORS® serving on NAR committees during 2023.

Please note: NAR committee applications are completed online.

Step 1: you must create/update an Expertise Profile on NAR.realtor;

Step 2: you can apply for up to five NAR committee appointments;

Step 3: you may seek endorsements/recommendations for your applications (which is important to do).

[For a list of NAR committees](#), [a link for your Expertise Profile](#), [access to the 2024 NAR Committee Application process](#) (NAR.realtor login required), and [FAQ's about the NAR Committee process](#)

<https://www.nar.realtor/national-leadership/committee-members-liaisons/committee-selection-process>

For login assistance for the NAR website (NAR.realtor): 1-800-874-6500 Please contact [Suzanne](#) with any questions.

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