



Get involved! If you're taking time to read this, then we have a committee for you! When you join a committee at DRAR, you build valuable relationships and enhance your professional growth. Beyond a chance to give back, volunteering for a DRAR committee allows you to expand your REALTOR® network, gain new skills and stay informed about our industry.

Whether working on education, initiatives, contributing to public policy discussions, or supporting community outreach, committee volunteers play a crucial role in shaping the future of real estate in Durham. If you are still reading this, it is time to get involved in your community's future today!

Bert Woodall, 2025 DRAR President

- Community Service - Co-Chairs: Julie Russ / Shane Kirk**
Identifies opportunities for members to engage in community activities that enhance the image of REALTORS®. Reviews viability and timing of community and charitable activities such as the annual benefit auction and blood drive. Encourages participation in all outreach opportunities.
- Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (DEI) - Co-Chairs: Sharon Sunkel / Liz Schoeneberger**
Recognizes and promotes diversity, equity, inclusion, and belonging among members and within our community. Provides opportunities for growth through education and action.
- Public Schools - Chair: Roger Hudson**
Creates opportunities for REALTORS® to enhance their knowledge of and involvement in the public schools. Informs members of public education's resources and needs. Coordinates the annual "Fill the Bus" campaign, and Book Harvest drive to provide supplies and books to local students.
- Grievance Committee - Co-Chairs: Christine Menear/ Rachel Elliott**
Conducts preliminary evaluation of ethics complaints and arbitration requests. Determines whether a hearing is warranted. **TWO-YEAR PRIOR REAL ESTATE EXPERIENCE NEEDED. THREE-YEAR TERM. ANNUAL TRAINING REQUIRED.**
- Independent Broker Council (IBC) - Chair: Justin Burleson**
Provides support, networking, and opportunities to exchange business savvy ideas with owners, BICs, and Principal Brokers of other small, non-franchise firms. Discuss current rules and industry changes, and technology offerings from DRAR, DMLS, and our other partners. Members should be licensed and active real estate professionals of independent (non-national franchise) firms dedicated to the real estate industry, and passionate about exploring new ways to learn and grow for their firm. Bi-monthly Meetings.
- Legislative/Governmental Affairs – Co-Chairs: David Smith / Gian Hasbrock**
Monitors legislation and agency regulatory issues that affect the real estate industry. Expands advocacy efforts to ensure DRAR will be seen as the leading advocate for private property rights and real property ownership among members, the public, media, and elected / appointed officials. Educates members on the critical nature of grassroots activism and responsiveness to Calls for Action.

- New Member Orientation / Membership - Chair: Jon Fletcher**
Welcomes and provides guidance for new members, including Membership Benefits and Activities. Encourages new member participation on committees and at events.
- New Neighborhood / REALTOR® Expo - Contact: Shelia Willis**
Plans, coordinates, and facilitates the annual New Neighborhood Expo. Comprised of HBA members and REALTOR® members.
- Professional Standards Committee – Co-Chairs: Janet Breedlove / Sally Clark**
Conducts hearings in matters involving alleged ethical misconduct by members and requests for arbitration. **PRIOR THREE-YEAR TERM ON THE GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE AND TWO YEARS PRIOR REAL ESTATE EXPERIENCE. ANNUAL TRAINING REQUIRED.**
- Property Management - Co-Chairs: Tschanna Crenshaw / Chris Hawkes**
Provides a forum for addressing the unique challenges of managing rental property in today's ever-changing economic and legislative environment. Bi-monthly Meetings.
- RPAC-REALTOR® Political Action - Chair: Lynwood Cherry III**
Responsible for the development and organization of DRAR's RPAC Fundraising Plan to collect voluntary political contributions. Communicates and educates on the value of member's investing in RPAC. Meets or exceeds NAR's annually established RPAC fundraising goal.
- Social! - Chair: Lisa Borer**
Plans social functions, such as the Annual Awards Luncheon and golf tournaments. Recruits sponsors and encourages member participation.
- New Agent Network/YPN - Chair: Sherenia Branche**
Fun group that encourages new real estate practitioners to connect at networking events, and to become more business savvy by sharing tips and tricks.

Involvement in any advisory group / committee offers you the opportunity to share your voice and knowledge.

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