



LEGAL ACTION PROGRAM

Application for Legal Action Assistance

CASE EVALUATION CRITERIA. When deciding whether a case is suitable for the Wisconsin REALTORS® Association Legal Action Program, the Legal Action Committee considers the following factors. PLEASE ATTACH A STATEMENT TO YOUR APPLICATION INDICATING HOW YOUR CASE MEETS THESE CRITERIA.

1. Is there a lawsuit, hearing or proceeding pending or threatened in a court or before an administrative agency?
2. Does the case involve legal issues that significantly affect a substantial portion of the REALTOR® membership, such as real estate law and practice, land use or environmental issues, or private property or development rights?
3. Might the outcome of the case establish an important legal precedent for the real estate industry?
4. Will WRA participation via the Legal Action Program likely increase the probability of a favorable outcome or to lessen the probability of an unfavorable result for the real estate industry?
5. Are the applicant's goals consistent with WRA policy?
6. Is the applicant asking for assistance that the Legal Action Program reasonably can provide such as legal or other research, identification of expert witnesses, written brief and/or oral argument as an amicus curiae (friend of the court), participation in a coalition of similarly-situated parties, or participation as a party in litigation?

APPLICATION SUBMISSION. Please email the following materials to dconrad@wra.org or mail the materials to the WRA Legal Action Program, Attention Debbi Conrad, 4801 Forest Run Rd., Madison, WI 53704-7337:

1. Your completed application [NOTE: it is recommended that the applicant's attorney complete the application form];
2. A copy of all relevant court decisions, briefs and correspondence; and
3. A written statement indicating how your case meets the case evaluation criteria.

COMMITTEE DECISION. Upon receipt, WRA Legal Department Staff will review your application and the accompanying materials and make its recommendations to the Legal Action Committee. The Committee will meet to discuss the case and make its decision. Please allow two to three weeks (or as much time as is possible) for this review and decision process. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the WRA Legal Department at 608-241-2047.



Legal Action Program Application Form

It is Recommended that the Applicant's Attorney Complete this Application

APPLICANT DATA

Name of Applicant: _____

Applicant Address: _____

Telephone number: _____ Email: _____

Is the applicant a REALTOR® member? **Yes / No** [STRIKE ONE or Circle One]

ATTORNEY DATA

Attorney and Firm Name: _____

Attorney Address: _____

Telephone number: _____ Email: _____

LEGAL ACTION ASSISTANCE

Specify the type of assistance that you are seeking (e.g. amicus curiae brief/oral argument, research, witness identification, join coalition effort, etc.) _____

Specify all relevant case deadlines: _____

CASE DATA

Name of Case: _____

Court/Administrative Agency: _____

Case Number: _____

The Applicant is: Plaintiff/Complainant or Defendant/Respondent [STRIKE ONE or Circle One]

Other Parties Involved (specify if plaintiff, defendant, amicus, etc.): _____

Case Facts: _____

_____ (attach additional sheets if needed)

Case Issues (indicate real estate-related issues): _____

_____ (attach additional sheets if needed)

Legal Theories (misrepresentation, fraud, warranty violation, etc.): _____

_____ (attach additional sheets if needed)

Procedural Status (complaint filed, status of discovery, court date set, appeal filed, etc.): _____

_____ (attach additional sheets if needed)

REALTOR® NOTIFICATIONS

- Has Applicant's Errors and Omissions Carrier been notified? **Yes / No** [STRIKE ONE or Circle One]
- Has Applicant's Local Board of REALTORS® been notified? **Yes / No** [STRIKE ONE or Circle One]
- Is the Local Board willing to participate in financing? **Yes / No** [STRIKE ONE or Circle One]
- Has the National Association of REALTORS® been notified? **Yes / No** [STRIKE ONE or Circle One]



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