

Candidate Guidelines for Elected Arizona REALTORS® Officers and National Directors

Thank you for your interest in serving as an Arizona REALTORS® Officer or National Director!

Article VII of the association's Bylaws sets forth the provisions governing the election of Arizona REALTORS® Officers and National Directors. The association's Bylaws may be found at: www.aaronline.com/about-us/governing-documents/.

Arizona REALTORS® Officers

Minimum Criteria:

The following is the minimum criteria for nominees for Arizona REALTORS® Officers or National Directors:

A REALTOR® member in good standing

AND

Knowledge of the Arizona REALTORS® Strategic Plan objectives

AND

Served as an elected officer of a local board/association for at least one (1) year

OR

Served at least one (1) year as an elected, or appointed, Arizona REALTORS® Director

OR

Served at least one (1) year on the Arizona REALTORS® Executive Committee.

Article VII Section 6 - A candidate may not apply for more than one AAR Office but may also apply for National Director. (**Article VII, Section 5**).

You may obtain any Officer Position Description and a copy of the Arizona REALTORS® Strategic Plan by contacting CEO Michelle Lind at MichelleLind@aaronline.com.

Application Deadline: Generally, in January but varies depending upon the election date

Applications for office must be submitted to the association's CEO no later than sixty (60) days prior to the election date. (**Article VII, Section 5**). The Application may be found at: <https://www.aaronline.com/about-us/aar-officer-elections/>.

Election Date: March

Arizona REALTORS® Officers are elected at the first Board of Directors meeting and installed during the last Board of Directors meeting. Officers are elected by a majority vote of the Board of Directors present and voting. If three (3) or more candidates are running for the same office and there is no majority vote on the first ballot, the two (2) nominees receiving the greatest number of votes will be included on a second and subsequent ballot, if necessary, until one candidate receives a majority vote. (**Article VII, Section 1**). No nominations may be made from the floor. (**Article VII, Section 8**).

Campaign Guidelines:

You decide how your campaign will be run - there are no specific limits placed on candidate campaigns. However, campaigns should be conducted with restraint and integrity, with regard to the importance of these volunteer leadership positions.

Candidates may not use the AAR logo or any reference to AAR that may be misleading or indicate that campaign messages are endorsed by AAR or originate from AAR.

If a candidate wants to speak at the Caucuses prior to the Board of Directors meeting when the elections take place, prior arrangements should be made with the RVPs directly.

Please understand that to ensure productive working relationships, the current Arizona REALTORS® Officers (President, President-Elect, Immediate Past President, First Vice President, Treasurer, Treasurer-Elect) and the association's staff cannot take a position in support or opposition of any candidate. Please do not include these individuals in any campaign activities or materials.

You may obtain a list of email and firm mailing addresses for members on the Board of Directors by contacting Christina Smalls at ChristinaSmalls@aaronline.com.

If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact CEO Michelle Lind at MichelleLind@aaronline.com.

Regional Vice Presidents

The RVP from each Region shall be nominated by a Regional Nominating Committee comprised of one (1) member (which may be the: President, President-elect, Immediate Past President, or an appointee of the President) from each Member Board within the Region. Nominees for RVP must be nominated by a Member Board within their appropriate Region. An application containing the signature of the applicant's member board AE or President shall be submitted to the current RVP no later than ninety (90) days prior to the election date. The current RVP shall chair the Committee without voting rights, unless a vote is necessary to break a tie. Each Region's nominee shall be voted on by the AAR's Board of Directors at the first Directors' meeting. No nominations for RVP shall be accepted from the floor. If any Region does not submit a nominee for RVP for the following year or if the Board of Directors does not accept any nominee, the AAR President-elect shall have the authority to appoint a qualified RVP from the membership within the Region with the approval of the Board of Directors.

In the event the Regional Nominating Committee cannot reach a consensus in the selection of one (1) candidate for RVP, those candidates being considered shall be submitted to the Board of Directors for selection of that Region's RVP.

Arizona Directors of the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS®

Nominations of proposed Arizona Directors of the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS® for terms commencing during the succeeding elective year shall be held at an AAR Directors' meeting no later than December 15. Election shall be by plurality vote. As long as there are four (4) or more entitlements not assigned to a Member Board, those remaining entitlements shall be allocated as follows: positions shall be reserved to be filled by the AAR Immediate Past President, AAR President-elect, AAR First Vice President and AAR Treasurer. Any remaining positions are elected, as provided earlier in this section, from members other than primary members from Member Boards that have National Director entitlement(s).

(Article VII, Section 2).