

South Florida Chapter

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APPRAISERS' APPRISER

South Florida Chapter

President's Message Robert Mesner, MAI, AI-GRS



Focus on our members! Service to our members is the primary reason for our existence as Appraisal Institute leaders and as an organization. It continues to be my focus for the South

Florida Chapter, and we continue to communicate and promote that message to Region X and the Appraisal Institute national organization.

We are fortunate to enjoy the luxury of exemplary service from our Executive Director, Debbie McClave. She knowledgeably answers questions, and if she does not have the answer, Debbie knows who does. She also amiably provides administrative support and help, to all of our members on a range of issues. Debbie's understanding of the Appraisal Institute and ability to solve problems are unparalleled.

Have you heard about and/or checked out **Chapter Time**? Mike Jacobs, Henry Casado, and Matt Roach are doing a great job with this new effort. **Chapter Time** covers topics of interest to residential and commercial appraisers, and it is held every Tuesday from 11:30 am to 12:00 noon. Better yet; **Chapter Time** is free, there is no registration required, and it is open to all members and guests. Check your email or contact Debbie McClave for links to participate. Then, just zoom in for a quick and informative 30 minutes of market trends, real estate and appraisal industry essentials, candidate guidance, and other useful information.

Breaking News: Our next **Membership Meeting** is **May 21st**, and our guest speaker will be **Craig Steinley, Appraisal Institute National Vice President**. Craig is a dynamic force for positive change in the Appraisal Institute. His focus on members, transparency, and service is a perfect prescription for what is needed in our national organization. Let's generate a big turnout!

South Florida Chapter Elections will be held at the Friday, May 21st membership meeting. Participation in our election is another reason to attend virtually. My appreciation to Ken

Brown, Mike Cibene, Carlos Gobel, Virginia Guido, and Robert Scherer for a job well done to present our chapter with an excellent slate of future leaders.

Check out the full schedule of virtual educational offerings Henry Casado, our Education Chair, and Debbie arranged. The offerings of virtual education allow our members to get a jump on continuing education requirements without having to leave our homes or offices.

Trisha Guarnieri and her team have plans for our third annual Real Estate Forum. Responding to changes our members suggested, including a 6-hour schedule, Trisha has enlisted Tim Andersen to present the **Evolution of Appraisal: Building a Better Appraiser** August 20th. Register today and plan to attend.

Matt Roach is working to help our Candidates advance to achieve designation. Matt held a virtual session on the comprehensive exam, and another free session on the demonstration of knowledge appraisal is scheduled for virtual delivery April 14th. Our pool of candidates has dwindled, as many achieved designation. **We need new blood, diverse ideas, and another generation of appraisers to carry on our tradition. Please make a commitment to recruit a new member into the South Florida Chapter.**

Finally, our efforts continue to elevate requests to Appraisal Institute governance that our members deserve service and need to be heard. I am pleased to report advances to improve coordination by the Appraisal Institute with Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation for state certification continuing education, as well as Appraisal Institute qualifying and continuing education has been announced.

Let's work and have fun together as we focus on our members. Please feel free to contact me with any ideas, suggestions, and/or concerns. We are here for you.

Robert Mesner, MAI, AI-GRS
2021 Chapter President
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Friday, May 21, 2021

[Chapter Meeting and Elections](#)

3:00–4:00 PM

Via Zoom

Guest Speaker:

Craig Steinley, MAI, SRA, AI-GRS, AI-RRS, Appraisal Institute Vice President

This program is **not** approved for CE credit.

Elections—Chapter Officers, Directors, Regional Representatives & Alternates

The Nominating Committee recommends the following individuals to serve as the South Florida Chapter leadership in 2022. Elections will be held during the [chapter meeting on Friday, May 21, 2021](#).

2021 Nominating Committee

Kenneth Brown, MAI, SRA, AI-GRS, Chair
Michael Cibene, SRA, AI-RRS
Carlos Gobel, SRA
Virginia Guido, SRA
Robert Scherer, MAI

President: Charles Badell, MAI
Vice President: Lee Smalley, MAI
Secretary: Gregory Becker, MAI
Treasurer: Enrique Casado, MAI, SRA, AI-GRS, AI-RRS

Directors 2020-2022

Geri Armalavage, MAI
Matthew Roach, MAI
Daniel Salcedo, MAI
Robert Mesner, MAI, AI-GRS (Past President)

Directors 2021-2023

Jose Cestero, MAI
Ralph Pena, III, MAI

Directors 2022-2024

C. Kevin Bokoske, MAI, AI-GRS
Alta Rogers, MAI
John Underwood, Jr., MAI, SRA

Region X Representatives 2021-2022

Charles Badell, MAI – Chapter President
Lee Smalley, MAI – Chapter Vice President
Lister Rivera-Laborde, MAI, SRA
Matthew Roach, MAI

Regional X Representatives 2022-2023

Robert Mesner, MAI
Donald Sarley, SRA
Andrew Rolf, MAI

Region X Representatives 2022 Alternates

Trisha Guarnieri, MAI, AI-GRS
Howard Klahr
Enrique Casado, MAI, SRA, AI-GRS, AI-RRS
C. Kevin Bokoske, MAI, AI-GRS
Alta Rogers, MAI
Chad Stites, SRA
Michael Jacobs, MAI, SRA
J. Nathan Pippin, SRA
Chris Callaway Staniszewski, SRA
James Wilson, MAI



[Meeting & Elections, Fri., May 21](#)



Additional nominations may be made by a timely filing of a written petition signed by at least five percent (5%) of the total number of Designated Members, Candidates, Practicing Affiliates and Affiliates in the Chapter. Such petition may be in electronic form. To be effective, each nominating petition must be delivered in writing to the Chapter Secretary at least fifteen (15) days before the regular Chapter meeting at which the election is to be held. The Chapter Secretary shall deliver in writing a copy of any petition filed to each Designated Member, Candidate, Practicing Affiliate and Affiliate belonging to the Chapter at least ten (10) days before the date on which elections are scheduled to be held. The South Florida Chapter elections will be held on the May 21, 2021 chapter membership meeting conference call. No additional nominations can be made from the floor.

Candidate Guidance Virtual Get-Together + Chapter Time + 2021 South Florida Real Estate Forum

Candidate Guidance Virtual Get-Together, April 14 @ 11:00 AM

Please join us for the second candidate guidance virtual get-together. Learn from the experts. Don't miss out—[register today!](#)

Topics Include

- Options for Completing the Demonstration of Knowledge Requirement
- Preparation for the Demonstration of Knowledge Requirement
- Information for the Demonstration of Knowledge Requirement
- Questions and Answers

Speakers

- Matthew Roach, MAI, South Florida Chapter Candidate Guidance Chair
- Jennifer Marshall, SRA, AI-RRS, Florida Gulf Coast Chapter Candidate Guidance Chair
- Kristin Soltys, MAI, East Florida Chapter Candidate Guidance Chair
- Kyle Krueger, MAI, AI-GRS, Northeast Florida Candidate Guidance Chair
- Carrie Vann, Senior Manager, AI Admissions & Continuing Education
- Emma Abraham, AI Admissions & Continuing Education
- Whitney Youngs, AI Admissions & Continuing Education
- Robert Mesner, MAI, AI-GRS
- Sandy Adomatis, SRA
- Rick Borges, MAI, SRA, AI-GRS (Past AI National President)

Matthew Roach, MAI

Chair, 2021 Candidate Guidance Committee

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Chapter Time—Tuesdays with the South Florida Chapter of the Appraisal Institute



This year the South Florida Chapter of the Appraisal Institute introduced a new series of 30-minute Zoom meetings dedicated to local market surveys, practical workshops for local appraisal issues, and local chapter essential information. Information and topics focus exclusively on local issues, and the fast-paced meetings are intended to keep you informed while productive. Each begins promptly at 11:30 AM on each Tuesday and lasts no longer than 30 minutes.

You are able to attend while working – no distractions, just the facts.

Do you or someone you know have a local specialty, solution to a local issue, or appraisal hot-button you think we'd all benefit from? E-mail Henry Casado MAI, SRA, AI-GRS, AI-RRS at etcasado@me.com or Mike Jacobs MAI, SRA at mike@SFREAppraisal.com to get on the schedule.

Set your calendar for repeating zoom workshops on Tuesdays, 11:30 AM to noon. Check your email each Tuesday morning for log-in and topics!

Michael Jacobs, MAI, SRA

Chair, 2021 Chapter Time

mike@SFREAppraisal.com

2021 South Florida Real Estate Forum: The Evolution of Appraisal—Building a Better Appraiser—August 20, 2021—CE 6-Hours

This year we are concluding our three-part evolution series with a focus on the appraiser and their process toward success in this profession. Timothy C. Andersen, MAI, MNAA, MSc, CDEI-CEO, COO - brings over 35 years of real estate appraisal experience with his consulting, teaching and mentoring services. He will lead this dynamic ZOOM forum with a variety of topics centered around "what to watch for" and ways to improve. This forum will provide two panels of speakers to expand on topics from economic overview to technology and tools to help all appraisers - from beginners to experienced appraisers - all can benefit from this insightful compilation of information and insights. Take this class to get more than just textbook insights. [Register early and save!](#)

Trisha Guarnieri, MAI, AI-GRS

Chair, 2021 Real Estate Forum

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Education



- Who reads this stuff?
- Who listens to Chapter Time?
- Who attends our meetings?
- Who furthers their education?
- Who is designated?

That's a lot of questions; don't search for the answers, and just introspect.

How involved are you in matters of your profession? From my view, it only makes sense to learn, teach, and shape the road ahead for those who want to exceed with core values of higher quality of knowledge, service, and ethics.

My career's path has given me an opportunity to observe and learn of the gamma of quality, service, and ethics across the nation, from Puerto Rico to Oregon. In simple words, not every appraisal is made with the same ingredients of thoughts, responsibility, and enthusiasm. So there is a curve. Generally, appraisers involved in peripheral activities of their profession tend to render a better product because they are convinced of this path.

At some point we need to realize the unique characteristics of being a valuator. We are private enough to form business decisions but closely regulated to manifest federal obedience.

Not everyone in our practice will realize this, but those who do, come back to our meetings, read our stuff, participate in our education program, or pursue chapter leadership.

If you were enthusiastic about this in your early years, or at any given point, now is a good time to rejoin the crowd. What else could you be doing during the pandemic? I am not writing this for those who are still debating their path but for those who are our own.

Our chapter not only offers education of the better quality, but there are many other benefits. One of them is **Chapter Time**, and what is this? Well, is a webcast, transmitted every Tuesday at 11:30 AM. Here we discuss topics of interest hosted by ourselves, and is free, no registration, just click in the Zoom link in the email you receive every week and enter the passcode 333047.

Of course you know that every quarter we have a chapter meeting (May 21), everything through Zoom, so there is no traffic to get here.

Circling back to the education part, the second quarter of 2021 brings Maureen Sweeney, SRA, AI-RRS teaching [Condos, Co-ops and PUDs](#), 7-hours on April 22nd. We have Peter Christensen, Esq. for [Smart Risk Management for Appraisers](#), 4-hours on May 13th, and again on May 20th for [Legal Issues for Non-Lending and Litigation Appraisal Assignments](#), 3-hours.

Wayne Pugh, MAI is paying us a virtual visit on June 17th to discuss [What's Up in Technology for Real Estate Appraisers](#). This is approved for 7-hour of continuing education credit.

Who doesn't like Ken Foltz, MAI, SRA? I do, and he will be here on June 24th for [Business Practices and Ethics](#). I need this one to complete my cycle, so I'm in.

On July 15th we have [Insurance Appraisals-Report Contents and Valuation](#), 3-hours with Patricia Staebler, SRA, and Vincent Dowling, MAI, SRA for [Nuances of Valuation-Cornerstone of Market Valuation](#), 4-hours on July 22nd.

I really hope that you step into our door, come in, you are cordially invited.

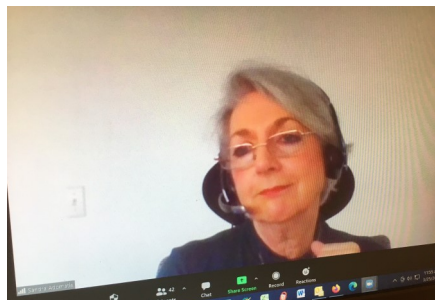
Who reads this stuff?

Enrique "Henry" Casado, MAI, SRA, AI-GRS, AI-RRS
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Important! Check online [state approvals](#) prior to registering.

Desktop Appraisals
(Bifurcated, Hybrid) and
Evaluations—March 25
Sandy Adomatis, SRA



2021 EDUCATION & EVENTS SCHEDULE

January 22, 2021 Virtual via Zoom	Chapter Meeting and Installation of 2021 Officers, Directors and Regional Representatives and Alternates, 3:00–4:00 PM	Master of Ceremonies—Val Chiasson, MAI, SRA Guest Speaker—Bill Garber, Director, Government and External Relations
January 28, 2021 Virtual Classroom	Business Practices & Ethics, 6-Hours	Brian Flynn, MAI, AI-GRS
February 18, 2021 Virtual Classroom	New—Rapid Response: Market Analysis in Volatile Markets, 7-Hours	Vincent Dowling, MAI, SRA
March 25, 2021 Virtual Classroom	New—Desktop Appraisals (Bifurcated, Hybrid) and Evaluations, 7-Hours	Sandra Adomatis, SRA
April 22, 2021 Virtual Classroom	New/Updated—Appraising Condos, Co-Ops and PUDs, 7-Hours	Maureen Sweeney, SRA, AI-RRS
May 13, 2021 Virtual Classroom	New—Smart Risk Management for Appraisers, 4-Hours	Peter Christensen, Esq.
May 20, 2021 Virtual Classroom	New—Legal Issues for Non-Lending and Litigation Appraisers, 3-Hours	Peter Christensen, Esq.
May 21, 2021— Added Virtual via Zoom	Chapter Meeting and Elections	Guest Speaker: Craig Steinley, MAI, SRA, AI-GRS, AI-RRS—AI Vice President
June 17, 2021 Virtual Classroom	New—What's Up in Technology for Real Estate Appraisers, 7-Hours	R. Wayne Pugh, MAI
June 24, 2021— Added Virtual Classroom	Business Practices & Ethics, 6-Hours	Kenneth Foltz, MAI, SRA
July 15, 2021 Virtual Classroom	Insurance Appraisals-Report Contents and Valuation, 3-Hours	Patricia Staebler, SRA
July 22, 2021 Virtual Classroom	New—Nuances of Valuation-Cornerstone of Market Valuation, 4-Hours	Vincent Dowling, MAI, SRA
August 20, 2021— Added Virtual Classroom	2021 South Florida Real Estate Forum: The Evolution of Appraisal-Building a Better Appraiser, 6-Hours	Timothy Andersen, MAI
September 9, 2021 Virtual Classroom	New—Fundamental Demand Analysis, 4-Hours	TBA
September 30, 2021 Virtual Classroom	New—Getting It Right from the Start: A Workout Plan for Your Scope of Work, 7-Hours	Mark Smeltzer, MAI, SRA, AI-RRS
October 7, 2021 Virtual Classroom	New—Foundations of Valuation-An Inferred Market Study, 3-Hours	Vincent Dowling, MAI, SRA
October 28, 2021 Virtual Classroom	Florida Appraisal Laws and Rules, 3-Hours	Nicholas Pilz, MAI, SRA, AI-RRS
November 4, 2021— Added Virtual Classroom	Aerial Inspections for Real Estate, 3-Hours	Lamar Ellis, MAI, SRA
November 18, 2021 Virtual Classroom	Business Practices & Ethics, 6-Hours	Brian Flynn, MAI, AI-GRS
December 2, 2021 Virtual Classroom	Florida Appraisal Laws and Rules, 3-Hours	Patricia Birch

Registration & Program Details <https://www.southflorida-ai.org>

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Membership

Designated Members-Status Changes

Craig Duckworth, MAI	Resigned
Eric "Rick" Edlund, MAI, AI-GRS	Practicing Life
Vivian Kerr, SRA	Resigned
Arthur Manikas, MAI	Terminated
Kenneth Parrish, MAI	Life Retired Non-Practicing
Alice Price, MAI	Resigned
John Reis, MAI	Retired Non-Practicing
Charles Weber, SRA	Resigned

Designated Members Transferred

Chris Peckholdt, MAI, AI-GRS—from Metro NY
 Kristin Repp, MAI—from Florida Gulf Coast
 Steven Wolgin, MAI—from Metro NY

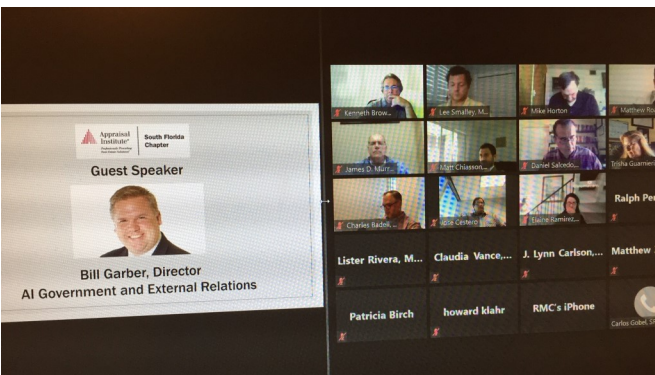
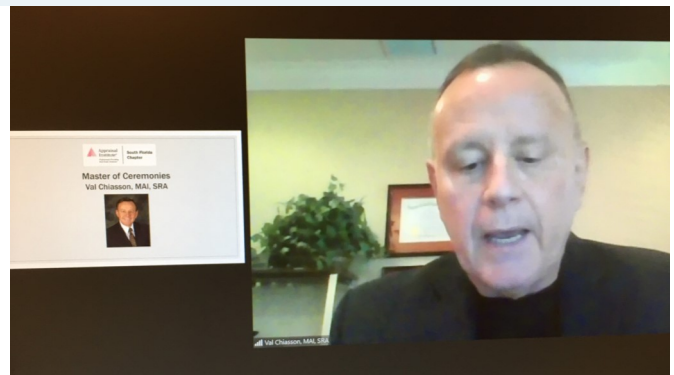


Candidate for Designation

Carlos Reyes MAI Candidate

New Practicing Affiliates

Renita Samuels-Dixon
 David Thompson



2021 Chapter Officers
President
 Robert Mesner, MAI, AI-GRS
Vice President
 Charles Badell, MAI
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 Lee Smalley, MAI
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 Gregory Becker, MAI

Candidate Guidance

Editor's Note: Please take the time to focus on this informative article composed by Matthew J. Roach, MAI. It provides statistics about designated and certified appraisers, facts not impressions. As Matt mentions, more data can be viewed on his PowerPoint presentation: "Appraiser Shortage?" Matt's article concludes with the direction appraisal training is heading. By the way, there are 603 registered trainees in the State of Florida.

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2021 Appraisers' Apprises Editor



On March 23, I hosted our weekly Chapter Time. The topic was "Appraiser Shortage?" The purpose of the meeting was to offer some current statistics about our profession and determine if there is an actual shortage of appraisers. I was unable to determine if there is a current shortage, but there is definitely a declining trend in the number of appraisers, especially residential appraisers. I prepared a PowerPoint presentation that shows this information and more. Please contact Debbie if you would like a copy.

Nationally, between 2010 and 2019, the number of certified residential appraisers decreased from 55,522 to 47,776, a shocking decline of 13.95%, which is 1.55% per year. The number of certified general appraisers actually increased from 37,807 to 39,606, an increase of 4.76%, which is 0.53% per year.

The drop in the number of appraisers in the State of Florida is similar. Since 2015, the number of certified residential appraisers decreased from 4,030 to 3,635, a decline of

9.80%, which is 1.63% per year. The number of certified general appraisers decreased from 2,129 to 2,044, a decline of 3.99%, which is 0.67% per year.

I have been keeping track of the number of designations awarded by the Appraisal Institute. Between 2015 to 2020, the number of new SRA designations dropped from 159 to 38, a whopping decline of 76%. The decline in the number of new MAI designations over this time was equally alarming, declining from 415 to 108, a drop of 73%.

The pass rate for the national exam for residential appraisers has remained steady over the past five years at about 60%. The pass rate for general appraisers has declined to about 55% in the last two years from about 70% in previous years.

At the end of 2019, the Appraisal Institute had about 17,000 members, of which 30% are SRA and 52% are MAI. There are 35 designated members that hold all four currently offered Appraisal Institute designations. Over 1,600 designated members have been designated for 40 years or more. The appraisal institute concluded 2019 with more than 2,200 candidates for

designation, with 11% being residential and 68% being general candidates.

With the drop in new appraisers entering the profession, it should not be surprising that stakeholders are trying to "modernize" the appraisal process. Modernize meaning appraiser waivers and alternatives to traditional appraisals, as well as lowering appraiser licensing requirements. The Appraisal Institute is attempting to increase the supply of new appraisers by offering scholarships, diversifying the profession, and fighting against loosening of appraisal standards. One idea that the Appraisal Institute is supporting is a way to train new appraisers by Practical Applications of Real Estate Appraisal (PAREA). This is simulated training modules designed to satisfy a portion of the experience requirement for the residential classifications.

Clearly, more needs to be done to stop the decline in appraisers. You can help by mentoring a trainee and encouraging Appraisal Institute designation.

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[South Florida Chapter AI Candidate and Practicing Affiliate Group](#)

[Designated Members Become an AI Advisor!](#)

What is a Candidate Advisor?

The Advisor will serve as a resource for the Candidate, providing the Candidate with the benefit of his or her years with the Appraisal Institute and the appraisal profession. The Advisor can help the Candidate by using his or her knowledge of the basic Appraisal Institute designation requirements, directing the Candidate to resources on the Appraisal Institute website and at national headquarters, and encouraging the Candidate in his or her efforts to become an Appraisal Institute Designated member.

How will the Candidate(s) I advise be chosen?

A Candidate may request a particular Advisor or the Appraisal Institute can identify a potential Advisor for the Candidate. An Advisor can decide whether to accept assignment as an Advisor for specific Candidate(s). The Appraisal Institute will make the final decision as to who will serve as an Advisor for a specific Candidate.

How do I sign up to become an Advisor?

Contact Advisors@appraisalinstitute.org and request that they register you for the free online orientation (should take less than half hour to complete) and complete the Advisor agreement form, presented at the end of the online Advisor Orientation. An Advisor may receive up to **125 points (25 hours)** of AI CE credit in the category of "Service as A Candidate Advisor" towards their AI CE cycle in accordance with the Bylaws, Regulation No. 10 and policies of the Appraisal Institute.

Candidate Guidance

Comp Exam Dates 2021

- August 1–September 30
- Nov. 1–30

Questions? comp@appraisalinstitute.org
or 312-335-4111.

Why become a Candidate for Designation?

- Dedicated advisors to help Candidates on their journey to designation;
- Program support from your local chapter; and
- Structured timelines with milestones to help keep you on track.



Knowledge. Experience. Integrity.

The [MAI](#), [SRPA](#), [SRA](#), [AI-GRS](#) and [AI-RRS](#) designations represent advanced knowledge. They stand for years of proven, real-life real estate valuation experience. And they always mean a commitment to strict professional ethics and standards.



General Demonstration Report - Capstone Program Schedule for 2021

Location	Registration Deadline	Materials Released	Webinar #1	Webinar #2	Workshop Dates
Chicago, IL	April 15	April 16	May 7	June 1	June 21 - 27
Cleveland, OH	June 17	June 18	July 9	August 3	August 23 - 29
Live Online (Synchronous)	June 17	June 18	July 9	August 3	August 23 - 29
Sacramento, CA	September 9	September 10	October 1	October 26	November 15 - 21

Florida Real Estate Appraisal Board

Schedule of meetings is listed (subject to change as circumstances require) held by the Florida Real Estate Appraisal Board (FREAB). All meetings are held at the Division of Real Estate Commission Chambers in Orlando unless stated otherwise.

The Florida Real Estate Appraisal Board invites and encourages all members of the public to provide comment on matters or petition before the Board or a committee of the Board. The opportunity to provide comment shall be subject to Rule [61J1-7.020](#), Florida Administrative Code.

Interested individuals/parties may submit a written notice to the attention of FREAB PUBLIC COMMENTS via the following ways:

Email: realpublicrecords@myfloridalicense.com

Mail: Division of Real Estate, 400 W. Robinson Street, Suite N801, Orlando, Florida 32801

Fax: 407.317.7245

The Division of Real Estate is now able to [live stream](#) the meetings. Please note the following:

The streaming is not recorded and it has limited space at this time. If you are unable to access the meeting, please try again later as access may become available during the day.



2021 General Meetings

- Monday, April 12
- Monday, June 7
- Monday, August 2
- Monday, October 4
- Monday, December 6

Get the Latest News and Updates on How COVID-19 Affects Appraisers

The Appraisal Institute continues to provide vital information on how the coronavirus pandemic is affecting appraisers around the world. On our Coronavirus Updates page, you'll continue to find news and updates from federal, state and Appraisal Institute resources. You'll also find all of AI's resources that are relevant to the pandemic including: AI Answers, webinars, ANO articles, guides, summaries and emails.

Please visit the Coronavirus Updates page on [AI's website](#).

Special Magistrates for the Pinellas County Value Adjustment Board

In accordance with Section 194.035, Florida Statutes, Pinellas County is currently seeking appraisers who meet the following criteria to serve as Special Magistrates for the 2021 Value Adjustment Board. A Special Magistrate may not be an appointed or elected official or employee of Pinellas County; must be a state certified real estate appraiser with not less than five years experience in real property evaluation and/or a designated member of a nationally recognized appraiser's organization with not less than five years experience in tangible personal property valuation, per Chapter 475, Florida Statutes; and may not represent a taxpayer before the Value Adjustment Board in any tax year during which he or she serves as a Special Magistrate. Appraisers who have three years of relevant experience and who have completed the training conducted by the Department of Revenue will also be considered for appointment.

Special Magistrates will be paid at the rate of \$125.00 per hour. Hearings will be scheduled during the months of October, November, December and January. Candidates wishing to serve should contact Katherine Carpenter, Deputy Clerk, Value Adjustment Board, Pinellas County Courthouse, 315 Court Street, Fifth Floor, Clearwater, Florida 33756; telephone number (727) 464-3458; e-mail address: kcarpenter@mypinellasclerk.org. Completed applications must be received on or before 5:00 P.M., Friday, May 14, 2021.

News from AI

AI Submits Letter in Support of Fairness in Valuation Legislation

The Appraisal Institute on March 9 sent a letter to the House Committee on Financial Services expressing its support for the Real Estate Valuation Fairness and Improvement Act of 2021.

The legislation would establish an interagency task force to analyze federal collateral underwriting standards and guidance and provide resources for promoting diversity in the valuation profession. Diversity in appraisal is a major focus of the legislation, and it would provide vast financing resources for promoting greater diversity in the appraisal profession.

As you may know, the Appraisal Institute has been amplifying and accelerating internal initiatives and partnerships to bring about positive changes in this area, including improving diversity within the profession through the Appraiser Diversity Initiative in collaboration with Fannie Mae and the National Urban League, and with our Minorities and Women Course Scholarship Initiative. This legislation would give a boost to this priority.

The legislation attempts to tackle many lending, underwriting, and valuation challenges, while recognizing these issues cannot be addressed in isolation. The Appraisal Institute firmly believes that dealing with issues such as promoting liquidity in “lending deserts,” or collectively promoting sustainable development and financing, extends far beyond appraisal policy to include lender underwriting, loan approval, and agency and enterprise policies and procedures. [Read the letter.](#)

AI Board of Directors Sends 2 Items to 45-Day Notice During February Meeting

The Appraisal Institute Board of Directors sent two items to 45-Day Notice during its Feb. 25-26 meeting, which was conducted via videoconference due to the coronavirus pandemic.

The 45-Day Notice items address proposed amendments to Regulations Nos. 1, 2 and 3 regarding the college degree requirement, and proposed amendments to the Code of Professional Ethics. Learn about [other actions the Board took at its meeting.](#)

AI Sends to 45-Day Notice Proposed Amendments to Regulation Nos. 1-3; Code of Ethics

The Appraisal Institute Board of Directors will consider proposed amendments to the Appraisal Institute Regulation Nos. 1-3 concerning the College Degree Requirement, the Code of Professional Ethics regarding a new Ethical Rule 1-5 and a new definition concerning personal characteristics, and the Explanatory Comments to the Code of Professional Ethics, at its May 6-8, 2021 meeting. Included in the distribution are two exposure drafts regarding a proposed Guide Note on personal characteristics and valuation practice and a proposed policy on appraisal discrimination and bias.

If you have any comments on the proposed changes, please contact your elected Directors and/or send your comments via email to 45daynotice@appraisalinstitute.org; comments@appraisalinstitute.org; and/or guidenote@appraisalinstitute.org as indicated in the appropriate document. Comments sent to the email addresses will be compiled for distribution prior to the Board meeting. [Click here](#) to view the 45-Day Notice (login and password required).

Other News Around the Appraisal Institute

And here's some other important news from the Appraisal Institute:



Be sure to save the date for the 2021 AI Annual Conference in Orlando, Florida. The valuation profession's biggest and best event will take place Aug. 9-10 at the JW Marriott, Grande Lakes. Registration is scheduled to open in late April. [Learn More!](#)

Don't forget that the Appraisal Institute is accepting nominations for its J. Scott Robinson Lifetime Achievement Award, Outstanding Service Award and Women's Initiative SPOTLIGHT Award. Nominations for all three awards are due May 31. [Learn more](#) (AI log-in and password required).

The Appraisal Institute Education and Relief Foundation is seeking nominations from AI professionals for the Y.T. & Louise Lee Lum Award. AIERF is also seeking nominations from AI's chapters and regions for the James H. Pritchett Award. Please email the name of the nominee and a letter of recommendation to aierf@appraisalinstitute.org. Chapters/regions can submit more than one nomination. [Learn more about these awards.](#) The submission deadline for both awards is April 23.

Job Opportunities

Deputy Appraiser 1

Department: Residential

Division: Real Property

Base Salary: \$48,306 – annually



*Base salary is subject to adjustments based upon candidate's qualifications and experience

[Position Description – Deputy Appraiser 1 – Residential](#)

Deputy Appraiser 1

Department: Commercial

Division: Real Property

Base Salary: \$48,306 annually



*Base salary is subject to adjustments based upon candidate's qualifications and experience

[Position Description – Deputy Appraiser 1 – Commercial](#)

Deputy Appraiser 1 (TPP-Personal Property)

Department: Commercial

Division: Tangible Personal Property

Base Salary: \$48,306 annually



*Base salary is subject to adjustments based upon candidate's qualifications and experience

[Position Description – Deputy Appraiser 1 – Commercial-TPP](#)

Senior Deputy Appraiser

Department: Commercial

Division: Real Property

Base Salary: \$58,000 annually



*Base salary is subject to adjustments based upon candidate's qualifications and experience

[Position Description – Senior Deputy Appraiser – Commercial](#)

APPLY FOR THE POSITIONS

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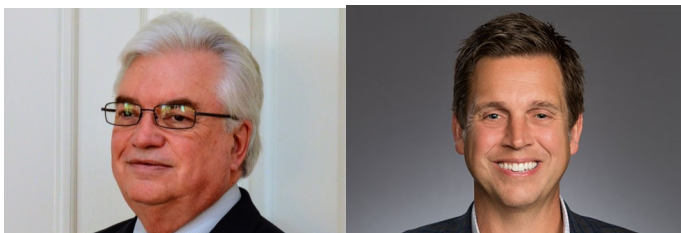
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