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APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION AS BROKER/APPRaiser

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS

BACKGROUND

Act 71 of 1996, which was signed into law by Governor Tom Ridge on July 2, 1996, amends the Real Estate Appraisers Certification Act and the Real Estate Licensing and Registration Act to vest the State Board of Certified Real Estate Appraisers with authority to regulate persons who perform real estate appraisals in non-federally related transactions.

Beginning September 3, 1996, certified general appraisers and certified residential appraisers will be authorized to perform appraisals (appropriate to their certification class) in all categories of non-federally related transactions. The authority of real estate brokers to perform appraisals in non-federally related transactions will end September 3, 1998; as of that date, only persons who hold appropriate certificates from the Board will be authorized to perform appraisals in non-federally related transactions. The broker/appraiser certificate, which will be granted without examination, authorizes the holder to perform real estate appraisals in non-federally related transactions only.

Certificate-holders must perform appraisals in accordance with the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

To be eligible for certification as a broker/appraiser, an applicant must (1) be of good moral character; (2) be currently licensed as a broker in some capacity (i.e., sole proprietor, broker of record, broker-partner, broker-officer, associate broker) as of September 3, 1996; and (3) submit an application to the Board between September 3, 1996 and September 3, 1996.

APPLICATION AND INITIAL CERTIFICATION FEES

The Board intends to promulgate regulations that would establish an application processing fee of \$40 and initial certification fees of \$90 (for initial certifications that occur between July 1, 1997 and June 30, 1998) and \$45 (for initial certifications that occur between September 3, 1998 and June 30, 1997 and on or after July 1, 1999). Following final approval of these fees by regulatory review bodies, the Board will bill those persons who already have been issued broker/appraiser certificates. Certificate-holders who fail to pay the fees will be denied renewal of their certificates.

BIENNIAL RENEWAL FEE; CONTINUING EDUCATION

Broker/appraiser certificates will expire on June 30 of the odd-numbered years beginning in 1999. The Board intends to promulgate regulations that would require certificate-holders, as a condition for biennial renewal of their certificates, to pay a biennial renewal fee and to complete 28 hours of continuing education.



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