

# MLS EXEMPTION FORM AGENT OPT OUT

## MLS Fee Exemption Request Information

In accordance with MLS Rules and Regulations, Section 7 - Service Charges, exemptions from monthly MLS fees may be granted if a licensee specializes in certain areas of real estate and does not use the services provided by the MLS. To apply for an exemption, please complete this form and submit to ECAR with both the agent and broker signatures.

To receive an exemption from the monthly MLS fees, a licensee must qualify in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, return his/her lockbox key and Safe MLS token to their primary Association and have no active or pending listings in the computer.

The MLS Fee Exemption Policy allows for a \$35 processing fee to be billed to the Designated REAL TOR® upon approval of an exemption. Additionally, there will be an annual renewal fee of \$35 billed to the Designated REAL TOR® upon certification that the licensee still qualifies for exempt status. Please review the attached copy of the MLS Fee Exemption Policy prior to submitting this form.

### MLS Fee Exemption Agreement

We, the undersigned licensee and broker, acknowledge that we have read, initialed and attached the MLS Fee Exemption Policy and accept all provisions of the policy. We hereby request an exemption for the

licensee based on the following qualifying criteria:

- Temporary medical condition precluding agent from listing/selling of property and use of MLS services.
- Agent engaged strictly in sales and/or management of commercial real estate.
- Agent engaged strictly in subdivision sales.
- Agent engaged strictly in the field of property management.
- Agent is a full time employee of the MLS Participant, engaged exclusively in office management and does not actively participate in the listing/sale of real estate or in the training of agents in the use of the MLS.
- Agent resides out of the ECAR geographic areas.

We understand that approval of the exemption is subject to qualification in accordance with the MLS Rules/Regulations, return of lockbox key and Safe MLS token (if applicable) and transfer of any active or pending listings to another agent in the firm. We also acknowledge that if approved, violating this agreement, or the exemption policy will result in the automatic revocation of this exemption, with additional sanctions possible as outlined in the then current MLS Fee Exemption policy, including but not limited to retro-active billing of MLS fees, a fine of \$500 and required attendance at a hearing before the Board of Trustees.

Licensee Name (print) \_\_\_\_\_ Signature. \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Broker Name (print) \_\_\_\_\_ Signature. \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Office Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Office Address \_\_\_\_\_ Office Phone: \_\_\_\_\_