



# Meet the CANDIDATES

## 2018 Board of Directors



### HOW & WHEN TO VOTE

**Online Voting begins Thursday, Sept. 14** when each REALTOR® eligible to vote will receive an email from

[announcement@associationvoting.com](mailto:announcement@associationvoting.com).

The email will contain secure voting credentials unique to the email recipient. Online voting will remain **open until**

**Wednesday, Sept. 20 @ 5 pm**. Election results will be announced the following morning at the Annual Meeting.

### Annual Meeting

Sept. 21 @ 8:30-10:30 am at GCAR's office  
RSVP by Sept. 19

### Questions?

423.698.8001

[Communications@gcar.net](mailto:Communications@gcar.net)

### President-Elect



**KIM BASS, ABR, GREEN** | The Group Real Estate Brokerage

**LOCAL** Secretary-Treasurer, 2017; Finance Committee Chair, 2017; Finance Committee, 2016; GCAR Director, 2014-16; MLS Board, 2014-15; Affiliate Committee, 2014

**STATE & NATIONAL** ABR, 2011; Green, 2010

**CHAPTERS & COUNCILS** WCR (President, 2015; President-Elect, 2014; Treasurer, 2013; VP Membership, 2012; Nominating Committee Chairman, 2016; Nominating Committee, 2017)

**COMMUNITY** Leader-Dave Ramsey Financial Peace Classes, 2010-16

**BUSINESS ACCOMPLISHMENTS** 100% Club, RE/MAX (2010-15); Platinum Club, RE/MAX (2016)

*During my service to the Association, MLS Board and WCR, I have grown in my experience both as a person and as a REALTOR® I am proud of my profession and will do my best to represent my fellow REALTORS® and our community.*

### Secretary-Treasurer



**BRANDI PEARL THOMPSON, ABR, CRI, CRS** | Keller Williams Realty

**LOCAL** Affiliate Task Force; Budget & Finance Committee, 2017; RPAC Trustee, 2017; RPAC Committee, 2014-15; Governmental Affairs Committee, 2009-12; Board of Directors, 2013, 2016-17; Community Involvement Committee, 2010; Strengthen REALTOR® Community Task Force, 2010; Education Committee, 2016

**STATE & NATIONAL** State (Diversity and Inclusion Committee Chair, 2018); National (YPN Committee Member); Committee Member TAR Governmental Affairs, Convention

**CHAPTERS & COUNCILS** CRS, 2013-15

**COMMUNITY** Working with the Momentum nonprofit in Chattanooga

**BUSINESS ACCOMPLISHMENTS** Finalist for 30 Under 30; NAR made it to top 50 in 2010; Top Give team in TN in Keller Williams 2016

*My 5-year-old asked me a couple months ago, "Mom, when you sell a house do you make the world a better place?" I want to continue to make the world a better place—starting with the Chattanooga Area. Serving as Secretary-Treasurer allows me the opportunity to work to plan for the future in growth and opportunities our city has in real estate—and more. I want to further the public's understanding of great REALTORS®.*

Board of Directors | *when voting, choose up to 4*



**BRIAN ERWIN, ABR, CRS** | The Group Real Estate Brokerage

**LOCAL** ABR, 2016; Certified New Homes Specialist & Residential Construction Certified—a component of CRS (currently completing)

**STATE & NATIONAL** Community Involvement Committee, 2016-present (current chair); Leadership Academy Graduate, 2017; Governmental Affairs Committee, 2017 Committee Member

**CHAPTERS & COUNCILS** RPAC

**COMMUNITY** Habitat for Humanity Volunteer, 2016-present; Emerging Leaders United Way of Greater Chattanooga, 2015-present; Chattanooga Chamber of Commerce

*As a third generation Chattanooga Area REALTOR®, my focus is to retain the strong foundations of our Association's core values while meeting the growing needs and requirements of our members.*



**GRACE FRANK, ABR, CRS** | Real Estate Partners

**LOCAL** Community Outreach Committee; Leadership Committee

**COMMUNITY** Girls Inc. (on-going donor); Green Spaces (on-going donor)

**BUSINESS ACCOMPLISHMENTS** Green Spaces Board Member; Girls Inc. Board Member; Form Based Code Membe

*I have passion to ensure REALTORS® do not become a commodity through Zillow and others that believe internet technology is more important than service and relationships. Together we can ensure our position as professionals continues to allow clients to have the best service possible.*



**STEVEN LAMAR, ABR, CRS, GRI** | Keller Williams Realty, Greater Downtown

**LOCAL** Leadership Academy Graduate, 2016; Professional Development Committee Member, 2017); Huntsville Area Association of REALTORS®: Board of Directors, 2008-14 (Director, Governmental Affairs Committee Chair)

**STATE** Alabama Association of REALTORS® Director, 2010-12

**CHAPTERS & COUNCILS** North Alabama Chapter of CRS Leadership, 2007 (President, 2011); Chattanooga CRS Group (Chair, 2016); North AL Chapter of YPN (Co-Founder, Treasurer, 2012)

**COMMUNITY** Fantasy Playhouse Children's Theatre (Board of Directors President, 2009-10; Chattanooga Theatre Center; Signal Mountain Playhouse; Scenic City Trail Runners; Running for Brews

**BUSINESS ACCOMPLISHMENTS** GRI; ABR; CRS; Master Certified New Home Sales Professional (NAHB); Compliance Broker (KWGD); Alabama Qualifying Broker (KWGD)

*I want to set an example for other practitioners by promoting diversity in all forms, increasing communication and accountability, contributing time and effort, as well as give back to the industry and individuals that support and sustain my career.*



**DENISE MURPHY, ABR, CRB, CRS** | Keller Williams Realty

**LOCAL** Grievance Committee, 4 yrs; Professional Development/Education Committee, 4 yrs; Professional Development Committee (Chair, 2011); Professional Standards Committee, 2016; Equal Opportunity Committee, 2016; Director, 2015-16

**CHAPTERS & COUNCILS** BNI, 2004-13 (the following at least twice: President, Treasurer, Membership Committee, Education); CNC, 2013-present (President, Governance Committee; Membership Committee); CRS local events

**COMMUNITY** Chambliss Children's Home; Habitat for Humanity; Served food to homeless on many Thanksgiving & Christmas Days. Put on "Jump Rope for Heart" events 10+ years with American Heart Association

**BUSINESS ACCOMPLISHMENTS** Realty Center-Rising Star, 2004; Keller Williams(KW)-Agent Leadership Council, 3 yrs; KW Hixson-Managing Broker; served on various committees at KW and occasionally teach classes; Ranked top 5% of individual REALTORS® for past several years.

*I always strive to hold myself to a high standard professionally and ethically, so I am "walking the walk." As part of a Board, I am comfortable with speaking out, but always with a level head and, when giving input, would not have a hidden agenda for myself or my company. I would vote in a way that would benefit all the Association's members. I feel I have a good rapport with many REALTORS®, regardless of company affiliation, and this enables more to get accomplished.*



**YADI ROSALES** | Legacy Real Estate & Development

**LOCAL** Equal Opportunity Cultural Diversity, 2016-17; Community Involvement Committee, 2017-18; Leadership Development Committee, 2016-17; Leadership Academy, 2016

**CHAPTERS & COUNCILS** Chamber of Commerce, 2011; La Paz, 2011; Toastmaster-Munday Mumbler, 2015

**BUSINESS ACCOMPLISHMENTS** Rising Star-Coldwell Banker Pryor, 2012; Bachelor's Degree in Business with Minor in Management, 2006; Associate's Degree in Applied Science, 1998

*I have a passion for our industry and believe in giving back to the membership and our community. Therefore, I would like the opportunity to continue broadening my knowledge and help contribute in making decisions—and making a difference.*



**JOYCE SMITH, ABR, GREEN** | Keller Williams Realty

**LOCAL** Diversity Committee, 2017; Budget & Finance Committee, 2017; Governmental Affairs Committee, 2015-16; GCAR Board Director, 2008-09; Professional Development Committee, 2006-07

**STATE** Convention Committee (Chair, 2016; Vice Chair, 2015; Member, 2009-12); Diversity Committee (Chair, 2013); Forms Committee Member, 2017-18; Leadership Academy, 2009

**CHAPTERS & COUNCILS** WCR Local Chapter (President, 2007; President-Elect, 2006); WCR State Chapter (Governor, 2012; President, 2011; President-Elect, 2010; Secretary, 2009; Treasurer, 2008); WCR National Budget & Finance, 2016-17

**COMMUNITY** Delta Sigma Theta Sorority 1976-2017 (Chattanooga Alumnae); New United Baptist Church, 2009-17; THDA Advisory Board, 2010-13; YMCA, 1993-2005; Chattanooga Housing Resource Board, 1998-99

**BUSINESS ACCOMPLISHMENTS** WCR Chattanooga REALTOR® of the Year, 2010; WCR TN State Member of the Year, 2013

*Our Association would not be what it is today without passionate leaders dedicated to making our industry better to better serve our clients. I am one of those dedicated REALTORS® committed to the industry and willing to work for the betterment of others. Serving as a Director will allow me the opportunity to make an impact in the lives of fellow REALTORS® and our local community.*



**RON TUCKER, MRP, NAR** | Crye-Leike REALTORS®

**LOCAL** Board of Directors, 2014; MLS Board of Directors, 2014; Governmental Affairs (Chair, 2015-16; Member, 2013-17); Nominating Committee, 2013; Formed Based Code Task Force, 2016; WWTA Task Force, 2016

**STATE** Director, 2014-15; Governmental Affairs Committee, 2014-present

**COMMUNITY** Worked several Animal Rescue Groups; Assisted in chartering what is now McKamey Animal Center; Coached girls fast-pitch softball and church youth basketball

*I want to be involved in the leadership of our Association and I know I can contribute greatly with my experience.*