

Fort Bend Appraisal Review Board Member

Ethics Statement

The Texas Property Tax Code provides guidance for the conduct of an Appraisal Review Board member. As a member of the Fort Bend Appraisal Review Board, I shall know and abide by such guidelines.

I shall be always guided by the Texas Property Tax Code, the laws of the State of Texas and my community. I shall continuously endeavor to increase my knowledge and experience so as to better serve all those who come before me as a member of the Fort Bend Appraisal Review Board and to provide the most appropriate determinations of any and all matters upon which I may be called to render my opinion. To that end, I shall, in good faith, do my utmost to adhere to the following ethical standards:

Commitment

- Be fair, just, impartial, unbiased and objective in all my opinions and actions;
- Listen to the testimony and opinions of others with an open mind;
- Review the evidence presented so as to render the most appropriate decision or determination;
- Be professional in dress, conduct and conversation;
- Make no personal promise or take any action that may compromise my responsibilities as a member of the Fort Bend Appraisal Review Board.

Conduct

- Conduct myself in accordance to the requirements set forth in the Texas Property Tax Code;
- Be truthful;
- Accord others the respect I wish for myself;
- Share my views and opinions while working to make the most appropriate decisions or determinations;
- Do my best to weigh all factors and make the most appropriate decisions or determinations;
- Conduct myself with civility and decorum;
- Respect the majority opinion of the Fort Bend Appraisal Review Board as a whole and the determination of each hearing.

Integrity

- Refuse to surrender my judgment or my responsibilities to any individual or group;
- Consistently uphold all applicable laws, rules, policies and governance procedures as respects my membership on the Fort Bend Appraisal Review Board;
- Not disclose information which is confidential by law or which is obtained as a result of a “closed hearing” or that will in any way harm the Fort Bend Appraisal Review Board;
- Recuse myself when and as necessary;

Service

- Focus my attention on fulfilling my responsibilities and duties on the Fort Bend Appraisal Review Board;
- Diligently prepare for and attend all hearings for which I am scheduled and all other meetings, training classes, workshops or other gatherings called by or on behalf of the Fort Bend Appraisal Review Board or its’ committees to which I am invited.

I understand that continuing violations of these guidelines may result in my dismissal from the Fort Bend Appraisal Review Board.

Signature

Date

Name Printed