

# **Maine Real Estate Investors Group Code of Ethics**

## **Respect for the Laws of the Land.**

1. I will keep myself informed of local, state, and federal laws affecting housing, real estate and investments in my community.
2. I will not discriminate against any person for reasons of race, age, religion, creed, sex, country of national origin, family or marital status, or disability.
3. I will comply with all relevant public policies governing the health, safety, and welfare of consumers, and protect them by using quality materials, workmanship, and construction practices.

## **Respect for the Profession, and Others in the Profession.**

1. I understand that a real estate investing business, when conducted properly, helps to return real property to its highest and best use, which ultimately leads to higher property values for our community.
2. I will not perform or cause to be performed any act which would tend to reflect on or bring the Maine Real Estate Investors Group into disrepute.
3. I will act as a positive role model for the professions of Real Estate Investing and Professional Housing Providers when dealing with buyers, sellers, tenants, the public, the media, government officials and others.
4. I will provide assistance and/or help other members whenever possible and recognize that when we help others accomplish their goals we enhance the probability that we will accomplish our own.
5. I will not misrepresent any material facts in my business dealings, and will not cheat, take advantage of, or malign other members, property owners or residents.
6. I recognize the rights of others to have differing opinions and points of view, and will not engage in disrespectful behaviors towards others.

## **Respect for Customers, Clients, Prospects and the Public.**

1. I will provide safe and sanitary housing within the limits and guidelines of the laws.
2. I will determine and periodically review the suitability of real estate investment for my customers and clients before making any recommendations to them.
3. I will discuss the benefits and disclose the risks of any course of action I recommend.
4. I will disclose all the costs of investing of which I can reasonably be aware.
5. I will disclose any potential conflict of interest I may have in a potential deal, and as a result, may refuse to advise on that deal.

## **Respect for Personal Integrity.**

1. I will not engage in, nor will I tolerate other members engaging in, illegal practices of any nature.
2. I will accurately disclose my education, license and/or certificates, and experience to the person seeking real estate or real estate investment advice.
3. By becoming a member of the Maine Real Estate Investors Group, I pledge to conduct my business according to the guidelines listed above. I understand the Maine Real Estate Investors Group reserves the right to review the complaint of any other member, property owner, or resident, and at its sole discretion, has the right to revoke my membership at any time for any reason.