

Texas Governor Signs Updates to Appraiser Law

Texas Gov. Greg Abbott on June 9 signed into law Senate Bill 1007, legislation that contains many revisions and additions to the state's current appraiser licensing and certification law, the Appraisal Institute reported. The provisions in the bill will take effect Jan. 1, 2016.

SB 1007 includes provisions related to three high-priority issues for the Appraisal Institute:

1. The bill will allow the Texas Appraiser Licensing and Certification Board to adopt rules relating to the standards for the development of an appraisal and the conveyance of an appraisal report that are "recognized as substantially equivalent to" the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice.
2. The bill clarifies that an appraiser who is certified by a jurisdiction other than Texas can perform a review of an appraisal of real property in Texas without a Texas appraiser credential if the appraiser does not offer an opinion of value as part of the review process.
3. The bill grants the TALCB maximum flexibility to adopt rules to implement the Appraiser Qualifications Board's requirements that states have processes in place to ensure that applicants for appraiser credentials do not have a background that would call into question the public trust.

Also included in the bill are provisions that: A) require members of the Texas Appraiser Licensing and Certification Board to undergo training prior to being permitted to vote or deliberate on matters before the Board; B) limit the ability of the TALCB to conduct an investigation of an appraiser or appraisal management company to no later than the fourth anniversary of the date an alleged violation occurred; and C) ensure the confidentiality of information or material prepared or compiled by the TALCB in relation to a pending complaint, investigation, or audit.

SB 1007 was fully supported by the Foundation Appraisers Coalition of Texas, which includes all eight Appraisal Institute Texas Chapters.

AI Connect Conference

The Appraisal Institute's Annual Meeting will be held in Dallas July 27-29 at the Sheraton Dallas Hotel, 400 North Olive Street. More than 50 education sessions will be offered, and attendees can earn up to 14 state CE hours and up to 90 Appraisal Institute CE points. See exhibits of the latest cutting-edge valuation products and services, and network with your peers.

If registered by Friday, July 3, the fee is \$750.00 for AI professionals and \$850.00 for all others. Alternate registration fees are available to attend evening functions or the Opening General Session.

The registration fee for AI professionals attending only one day of the conference is \$300.00 (\$375.00 for all others), and is only available onsite.

Information about the Annual Meeting and registration is available on the AI website at [AI Annual Meeting Information](#).

Did You Know?

Benefits of Affiliation with the Appraisal Institute

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The Appraisal Institute and ExactBid introduce new business-generating opportunities for Designated Members. ExactBid's RIMSCentral portal website is where vendors of real estate professional services - appraisers, environmental consultants, property inspectors - and those who want to order these services find each other. RIMSCentral.com generates more than 250,000 visits every quarter! AI Designated Members receive a free, three-county listing subscription in this appraiser directory and search engine. In addition, your contact information will be highlighted along with your Appraisal Institute membership status any time you are returned in a search of RIMSCentral.

To find out more information about ExactBid, go to [ExactBid AI Benefit](#).

Become a Candidate Advisor!

The Admissions Department is actively recruiting Designated members to serve as Advisors to Candidates. The Advisor serves as a resource to the Candidate, providing them with knowledge on the Appraisal Institute and expertise on the appraisal profession.

An Advisor may receive up to 125 points of continuing education credit in the category of "Service As a Candidate Advisor" during each AI five-year continuing education cycle.

If you are interested in serving as an Advisor, contact Emma Abraham (eabraham@appraisalinstitute.org).

If you are already an Advisor and would be willing to take on an additional candidate or two, or are willing to work with candidates outside of your region, please contact Emma Abraham (eabraham@appraisalinstitute.org).

Feel free to contact Ruth Kelton with any questions about Candidate Advisors (ainorthtexas@sbcglobal.net).

New Review Theory and Procedures Book Published

"Review Theory and Procedures: A Systematic Approach to Review in Real Property Valuation," published recently by the Appraisal Institute, uses the new review process as an organizing tool. The book follows the review process step by step, from the identification of the problem that the client needs solved by the review through to the communication of the reviewer's conclusions about the quality of the work under review in the form of a review report. In addition, the book includes discussion of the reviewer's role in the larger arena of valuation practice, the essential criteria for acquiring and demonstrating professional competence, the regulatory environment in which reviewers work, special considerations in review assignments involving complex properties, other challenging assignment conditions and the misunderstandings that sometimes hamper communication between reviewers and appraisers.

The AI price for this 132-page softcover book is \$45 for Appraisal Institute professionals (\$60 for all others) plus shipping. To order, call 888-756-4624 or order online at [AI Book Order](#).

In Memoriam

The North Texas Chapter acknowledges with sincere regret the passing of the following individuals:

Henry Jaworek

the father of Brenda Cottone, SRA

[Jaworek Obituary](#)

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Jerry Massengale, MAI

Longtime member of the North Texas Chapter

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(8011 Douglas Ave.) or American Heart Association

Tom Thrailkill

the stepfather of Ruth Kelton

[Thrailkill Obituary](#)

Memorials - XI Educational Foundation of Arkansas,
Hillcrest Station, P.O. Box 250333,
Little Rock, AR 72225-0333

Therese Thrailkill

Ruth Kelton's mother

(obituary will be posted in early July)

Memorials - Dallas Women's Foundation,

Attn: Roslyn Dawson Thompson, CEO

Campbell Centre II

8150 N. Central Expwy., Suite 110

Dallas, TX 75206

or

Parkinson's Voice Project

Attn: Samantha Elandary, CEO

646 N. Coit Rd., Suite 2250

Richardson, TX 75080

Mark Your Calendar! 2015 Chapter Meeting Dates

Most of the North Texas Chapter meetings will be held at Prestonwood Country Club, 15909 Preston Road in Dallas. Please mark the following meeting dates on your calendar.

- September 8
- October 13 (Cacharel Restaurant, Arlington)
- November 10
- December 1 (Holiday Party/Installation)

Candidate Column

Candidate Attendance Requirement

The Appraisal Institute Board of Directors approved amendments to the AI Bylaws that remove the Candidate Attendance Requirement for Candidates for Designation, effective immediately.

Capstone Program Schedule in Dallas in 2016

The *General Demonstration Report-Capstone Program* dates have been released. I am pleased to report that it will be held in Dallas September 19-25, 2016. Registration opens on Wednesday, June 3 at noon.

The Capstone Program is an option that general Candidates for Designation may choose to complete the demonstration of knowledge requirement for their MAI designation. Like the traditional requirement, the same skills and knowledge base are required to produce a complete demonstration appraisal report.

Fifteen Capstone courses have been scheduled in 2016, two of which will be synchronous. The Capstone courses fill up quickly, so please register as soon as you can. Note that required prerequisites must be completed before you can register. Students must have completed the *Advanced Market Analysis & Highest and Best Use* course or AI approved equivalent, and must have completed either the General Demonstration Report Workshop or the General Demonstration Report Writing seminar within the past five years.

Feel free to contact the National Programs Department (nationalprograms@appraisalinstitute.org or 312-335-4207) with any questions.

Hours of Service to the AI Can Be Logged Online!

Designated members, Candidates and Practicing Affiliates can now log their own service to the AI. Your service can be logged through your [AI CE Log](#).

According to Regulation No. 10: Continuing Education: Designated members, Candidates for Designation and Practicing Affiliates may earn Appraisal Institute continuing education for service on chapter, regional or national committees, or through other service to AI. A Designated member, Candidate for Designation or Practicing Affiliate may earn up to 125 points of AI CE credit per five-year cycle for service on:

- Chapter board of directors
- Standing chapter committees
- Regional committees

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Congratulations!

New Designated Member

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New Review Designations

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Chris Diamond

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Colin Jewell (Ziggy)

Kyle Clanton Norris

Adam Payn

Sean Robison

David Smart

Ryan Wegman

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New Practicing Affiliates

Brandon Miles Brooks

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Camron Price

Johnathon Ryan, Sr.

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New Affiliates

Christopher Hannah

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A Candidate for Designation?

- Dedicated advisors to help Candidates on their journey to designation.
- Program support from your local Chapter.
- Structured timelines with milestones to help keep you on track.

2015 North Texas Chapter Education Schedule

Program Details and Online Registration are available at
www.appraisalinstitute.org/education/northtexas.aspx

Date(s)	Course/Seminar	AI Price	Full Price	Instructor(s)
September 8-11	General Appraiser Market Analysis and Highest & Best Use	\$500	\$550	Steve Fanning, MAI
October 14-17	General Appraiser Sales Comparison Approach	\$500	\$550	Ed Litolff, MAI
October 19-22	General Appraiser Site Valuation & Cost Approach	\$500	\$550	Jay Massey, MAI, SRA, AI-GRS
October 28-31	Basic Appraisal Principles	\$495	\$545	Mike Atwood, MAI, SRA
November 2-5	Basic Appraisal Procedures	\$495	\$545	George Naeter, MAI
November 6-7	15-Hour National USPAP ^A	\$275	\$325	Greg Stephens, SRA
October 28-November 7	2015 Appraisal Licensure Package (Basic Appraisal Principles, Basic Appraisal Procedures, 15-Hour National USPAP)	\$1,205	\$1,355	Mike Atwood, MAI, SRA George Naeter, MAI Greg Stephens, SRA

^A Appraisers are required to take the 15-Hour (2-day) USPAP course for **qualifying** education credit. Appraisers taking USPAP for **continuing** education credit are **required** to take the 7-Hour (1-day) USPAP Update course **for the USPAP hours portion of their continuing education requirement**. Appraisers CANNOT take the 15-Hour USPAP to meet the 7-hour requirement. Texas appraisers are required to have 28 continuing education hours every 2 year cycle, and 7 of those hours must be USPAP hours.

Symposium Presentations Posted to Chapter Website

Thank you to everyone who attended and supported the "6th Annual North Texas Realty Symposium" on Friday, January 23, 2015 at The Crowne Plaza Dallas Hotel.

The speakers' presentations are available for download on the Chapter website at [Symposium Presentations](#).

This year's Platinum Sponsors were Bradford Technologies and Metro-West Appraisal Co., LLC. Their generosity and support of the Symposium are sincerely appreciated.

Planning for the 2016 "7th Annual North Texas Realty Symposium" is already underway. Detailed information will be distributed as it becomes available. We hope to see you there!



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2015 Calendar of Events

July

26 Region VIII Meeting (Dallas)
27-29 AI Annual Meeting (Dallas)

September

8 Chapter Meeting (Prestonwood Country Club)
8-11 *General Appraiser Market Analysis and Highest & Best Use* (Plano)

October

13 Chapter Meeting (joint meeting with Central Texas Chapter and IRWA Chapter at Cacharel Restaurant in Arlington)
14-17 *General Appraiser Sales Comparison Approach* (Plano)
19-22 *General Appraiser Site Valuation and Cost Approach* (Plano)
28-31 *Basic Appraisal Principles* (Plano)

November

2-5 *Basic Appraisal Procedures* (Plano)
6-7 *15-Hour National USPAP* (Plano)
10 Chapter Meeting (Prestonwood Country Club)

December

1 Chapter Meeting and Installation of 2016 Leadership (Prestonwood Country Club)

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