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Broker-Lawyer Committee Appointments Announced

The Texas Real Estate Commission appointed two new members to the Broker-Lawyer Committee

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AUSTIN, TX –The Texas Real Estate Commission (TREC) voted at its August 17th meeting to appoint Terri Macaluso of Frisco and Lori Keebaugh of Longview as broker members of the Texas Real Estate Broker-Lawyer Committee, with terms expiring August 31, 2020. The Texas Real Estate Broker-Lawyer Committee is an advisory body to TREC consisting of six attorneys appointed by the President of the State Bar of Texas, six brokers appointed by TREC, and one public member appointed by the governor. The Broker-Lawyer Committee drafts and revises standard real estate contract forms to bring consistency to real estate transactions, provide safeguards to protect the principals in a transaction and minimize potential controversy

Terri Macaluso has 25 years of experience in Texas real estate, including managing broker for Ebby Halliday Realtors Frisco since 2005. She grew the office from 35 agents to 160 today, working with over 200 contracts per month. Terri is also an Associate Faculty member in the Real Estate School at Collin College, teaching Law of Agency, Contract Forms Promulgated Forms and Brokerage classes and designed their Sales and Marketing course, all for college credit. She is an approved instructor for the Texas Association of Realtors. Terri currently serves on the Board of Directors for Collin County Association of Realtors. Terri was recognized for her community service with the Collin County "Top Women of the Year" 2014 for fundraising to support the City House organization. Terri has a Bachelors and Masters in Nursing from Purdue/Indiana, where she taught nursing school in the Leadership and Management division from 1979-1985.

Lori Keebaugh has been licensed and working for Suzanne Cook & Company since 2001. She was voted "Rookie of the Year" for Longview Area Association of Realtors in 2002 and "Realtor of the Year" in 2004. She was the Longview Partnership Ambassador of the Year in 2003 and was awarded the Honorary Lifetime Membership Award for her efforts with the Longview Chamber of Commerce. She was also elected 2011 President for Longview Area Association of Realtors. She currently volunteers for various real estate related committees at the local and state level. Lori is married with 2 young boys and enjoys spending time with family and friends.

These new appointees will play key roles in protecting consumers of real estate related services in the state of Texas. TREC welcomes the contributions of these new volunteer members and thanks them for their willingness to serve.