

# Tennessee REALTORS® Political Action Committee

Policies and Procedures

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# **GOVERNANCE DOCUMENTS**

### Tennessee REALTORS® RPAC Bylaws

The Bylaws of the Tennessee REALTORS<sup>®</sup> Political Action Committee (RPAC) shall supersede any policies and procedures.

### NAR RPAC Bylaws / Policies and Procedures

Any provision of the Tennessee RPAC Policies and Procedures found to conflict with the National RPAC Bylaws or Policies shall be null and void.

#### **Amendments to Policies and Procedures**

Amendments and revisions to the Tennessee RPAC Policies and Procedures may be made by a majority vote of the Board of Trustees subject to the approval, in writing, by the Executive Committee of Tennessee REALTORS<sup>®</sup>.

#### Notice to Membership of Revisions or Amendments

The membership of Tennessee RPAC, through the local associations of REALTORS<sup>®</sup> within the state of Tennessee, shall be notified of any revisions or amendments made to the Tennessee RPAC Bylaws or Policies and Procedures within thirty days of final approval by the Board of Trustees.

### NAR Policy on Association Territorial Jurisdiction for Advocacy

The National Association of REALTORS® adopted a policy that state and local REALTOR® Associations may only use advocacy resources provided by the REALTOR® Party for advocacy activity within their territorial jurisdiction as defined by NAR unless use outside the association's territorial jurisdiction is permitted by a written agreement among or policy applicable to all affected local and state association(s) regarding such use of advocacy resources, or the association in whose jurisdiction such advocacy will occur or NAR approves.

The policy allows for an association to request REALTOR<sup>®</sup> Party funds for use outside of its territorial jurisdiction, and if the association in whose jurisdiction such activity will take place objects, the funds may be provided subject to review and approval by the appropriate NAR committee(s) overseeing REALTOR<sup>®</sup> Party activities.

To learn more about the policy, visit NAR's website.

# **TRUSTEE DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

It shall be the responsibility of Tennessee REALTORS® RPAC Trustees to:

- Meet with other Trustees to establish goals, set policy, and administer funds of the REALTORS® Political Action Committee.
- Raise the necessary dollars to fund the operation of RPAC and meet the goals established from time to time.
- Meet with local Associations and assist in planning, development and implementation of the local RPAC campaign.
- Meet at least once annually with assigned Associations to educate membership on RPAC's purpose and function.
- Have an appreciation for the importance of RPAC, as indicated, for example, by being a multiyear RPAC contributor. RPAC Trustees are encouraged to be at least a Sterling R Member (\$1,000 Annual Contribution) each year.
- Attend meetings regularly and timely (two absences automatically vacates this seat pursuant to the Bylaws).
- Assist in the delivery of RPAC disbursements to candidates.
- Be politically active and astute on current political events and issues.
- Be able to analyze political issues and situations with the interest of REALTORS<sup>®</sup> in mind, rather than pursuing one's own political interests.

# **OFFICERS**

Tennessee REALTORS® RPAC officers shall be elected pursuant to the Bylaws. Any Trustee interested in running for Treasurer or Vice Chair shall complete the Tennessee RPAC Trustees Officer Election Application found in Appendix E.

# **COMMITTEES**

## **Fundraising Committee**

### Purpose

The Committee's purpose is to serve as a resource to Tennessee REALTORS® in achieving the national, state, and local RPAC goals. The Committee's objective is to build membership participation through educating Tennessee REALTORS® members on the purpose of RPAC and find innovative and new ways to raise RPAC participation and funds. The Committee shall encourage active participation in the annual RPAC campaign.

### Composition

The Fundraising Committee shall consist of Ten (10) Trustees in addition to the RPAC Trustees Chair, Vice Chair, and Treasurer. The following shall serve as ex-officio members of the Fundraising Committee: the state's National representatives for RPAC Major Investor Council and RPAC Participation Council as well as a YPN representative appointed by Tennessee REALTORS® President. In the event any individual holding the aforementioned positions is also an active Trustee placed on the Fundraising Committee at the time, then the individual does maintain the right to participate and vote as a Trustee.

### **Reimbursement Policy**

The RPAC Trustees Chair and Vice Chair shall set a budget annually to cover speaking engagements should the local association be unable to cover travel costs. Eligible items for reimbursement are mileage, lodging and meals following submission of expense reports. The RPAC Trustees Chair and Vice Chair will approve speaking requests for reimbursement qualification. If approved, a Tennessee REALTORS<sup>®</sup> reimbursement form must be turned in within fourteen (14) days of speaking engagement.

# **Disbursement Committee**

#### Purpose

The Disbursement Committee shall be a group of non-partisan and politically knowledgeable members which make key decisions on financial support for candidates in state-level offices. In addition, the Committee will oversee the financial well-being of RPAC and review and approve certain funding for local associations to use to support candidates for local offices.

#### Composition

The Disbursement Committee shall consist of Ten (10) Trustees in addition to the RPAC Trustees Chair, Vice Chair, and Treasurer.

### **Committee Makeup**

The RPAC Trustees Chair and Vice Chair shall determine which RPAC Trustees serve on which Committee each year. The RPAC Trustees Chair and Vice Chair shall strive to avoid having two members from the same association serve on the same Committee to the greatest extent possible.

#### **Committee Officers**

The RPAC Trustees Chair and Vice Chair shall appoint a leader of each Committee. The Leader shall have the sole discretion to choose which Committee members shall attend events on behalf of the Committee. The Leader has the authority to call any meeting and shall preside over the meetings. In the event the Leader is unable to preside over the meetings, the RPAC Trustees Chair shall preside.

# **FUNDRAISING**

### **Annual Fundraising Goal**

The annual fundraising goal for Tennessee RPAC shall be the goal amount established by the National RPAC Board of Trustees.

### How is that goal established?

The National RPAC Fundraising Goal is derived from the aggregate total states/territories declare as the amount they intend to raise in voluntary hard and soft dollars annually at the local, state and national levels. Before a two-year election cycle begins, the Federal RPAC Disbursements Allocation is set by the RPAC Fundraising and Disbursements Trustees Committees during the REALTORS® Legislative Meetings & Trade Expo, which is the amount NAR is requesting from states/territories in order to remain effective at the federal level and is based on membership size. The Major Investor, President's Circle and Participation Goals are all approved by the RPAC Fundraising accomplishments for each state/territory.

## **Solicitation of Contributions**

### Who can be solicited?

The Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (FECA), as amended, limits the class of individuals that can be solicited to contribute to RPAC. This **"restricted class"** includes:

- 1. members and affiliate members of the national, state, or local associations,
- 2. executive and administrative employees of the national, state, or local associations, and
- 3. immediate family members of the aforementioned classes.

Individuals not in this restricted class, regardless of their relationship to the state or local association, may not be solicited to contribute to RPAC at any time or in any way. Tennessee RPAC will not accept contributions from individuals not in this restricted class.

### **Dues Billing**

Local associations are encouraged to incorporate the use of voluntary RPAC contributions from dues billing in their fundraising plans, to solicit contributions at an amount higher than the amount adopted by the National RPAC Board of Trustees, and to incorporate the solicitation **"above the line,"** meaning it should be included in the total amount due.

### **Contribution Notices**

All written solicitation materials, including dues billing statements, are required to include the statement below. Failure to include this statement is a violation of federal law:

> Contributions are not deductible for income tax purposes. Contributions to RPAC are voluntary and are used for political purposes. The amount suggested is merely a guideline and you may contribute more or less than the suggested amount. You may refuse to contribute without reprisal and the National Association of REALTORS® or any of its state associations or local boards will not favor or disfavor any member because of the amount contributed. 70% of each contribution is used by your state PAC to support state and local political candidates. Until your state PAC reaches its RPAC goal, 30% is sent to National RPAC to support federal candidates and is charged against your limits under 2 U.S.C. 441a; after the state PAC reaches its RPAC goal it may elect to retain your entire contribution for use in supporting state and local candidates.

### **Prohibited Contributions**

### **Contributions Made in the Name of Another**

Because federal and state laws prohibit contributions made "in the name of another," Tennessee RPAC will not solicit or accept contributions identifying another person as the contributor.

### **Cash Contributions**

Tennessee RPAC does not accept cash contributions.

#### **Contributions from Federal Contractors**

Because federal law prohibits contributions from federal contractors, Tennessee RPAC will not solicit or accept contributions from members providing goods and services under contract to the federal government, including the leasing or selling of land or other real property, or interests in real property, during the negotiation phase and term of the contract.

However, contributions will be accepted from individual employees, officers, and directors of an incorporated real estate firm that is a federal contractor.

### **Contributions from Foreign Nationals**

Because federal law prohibits contributions from foreign nationals, Tennessee RPAC will not solicit or accept contributions from any person who is not a U.S. citizen or a national of the United States (as defined by INS rules) and who is not lawfully admitted for permanent residence. Non-citizens who have been granted permanent residence status are not foreign nationals.

### **Transmittal of Contributions**

Under federal law, "any person" who receives on behalf of RPAC an investment of more than \$50 must, within 10 days, forward it to the treasurer of National RPAC or a designated receiving agent. Investments of \$50 or less must be forwarded within 30 days of the date of receipt. For this purpose, the state RPAC or state association is the designated receiving agent for National RPAC. Thus, all investments collected at the board level must be transmitted to the state PAC within the applicable 10- or 30-day time limit from the date of receipt. This means that boards, board RPACs, and individuals soliciting and collecting RPAC investments on behalf of RPAC must promptly collect all investments and transfer them to the state PAC within these time limits.

### What happens if the above time limits are not met?

The RPAC investment can be processed as soft dollars, rather than hard so long as the member consents. It is best practice to gain consent via email. Below is an example:

"Dear Member,

Thank you for your dedication to RPAC and to supporting REALTOR Party Champions as well as our association's advocacy efforts. Unfortunately, we did not process your RPAC investment in time to meet the required timelines outline in relevant campaign finance laws. However, upon your approval, we can reattribute your RPAC investment to the Political Advocacy Fund, which will go to support our overall advocacy efforts. You will still get recognition for your investment. We apologize for the inconvenience. Please respond timely and let us know if you would like us to reattribute your RPAC investment to the Political Advocacy Fund."

### **Contributor Information Required**

As required by the FECA, state law, and National RPAC Policies, local associations must provide to Tennessee RPAC the name, mailing address, occupation, employer, member type, and NRDS membership identification number of each contributor, and the amount and date of each contribution. This information must accompany each transmittal of funds to Tennessee RPAC.

# **Allocation of Contributions**

Contributions to Tennessee RPAC shall be allocated as follows:

### **National RPAC**

**Thirty percent (30%)** of contributions to Tennessee RPAC shall be forwarded to National RPAC for use in federal elections and other political activities. The Tennessee RPAC Board of Trustees may elect to retain all or a portion of this allocation from contributions received after Tennessee RPAC has remitted its annual amount to National RPAC, as allowed under the National RPAC Policies and the cooperative agreement. The amount retained shall be allocated for use in state elections and other state political activities.

### Tennessee RPAC, For Use In Local Elections and Political Activities

**Twenty five percent (25%)** of contributions to Tennessee RPAC by local associations that do not exceed their yearly fundraising goal shall be allocated for use in local elections and other approved local activities by the local association that transmits the contributions. Notwithstanding the prior sentence, any local association that exceeds its yearly fundraising goal shall receive **thirty five percent (35%)** of contributions to Tennessee RPAC to be allocated for use in local elections, such as city or county races and other approved local activities by the local association that transmits the contributions. These funds are not to be used to support candidates for state or federal office. However local associations may make recommendations for contributions to the Tennessee RPAC trustees pursuant to the criteria under "Requesting Local Candidate Disbursements."

Funds allocated in this manner that are not distributed within the two (2) past calendar years plus the current calendar year shall be re-allocated for use in state elections and other state political activities. Any local association desiring the local funds it is due may make application to Tennessee RPAC for the funds to be held for a longer period of time. The Tennessee RPAC Trustees shall have the sole decision as to whether or not local association funds may be held longer for any local association making application to the Tennessee RPAC Trustees.

### Purpose

The main purpose of locally allocated funds is direct candidate contributions. Local associations may also use their local association funds for:

- 1. local political activities (e.g. sponsorship of a table at a local political event or assisting with costs for a local legislative reception).
- 2. local associations fundraising efforts.

RPAC funds may not be disbursed for the purpose of debt retirement by campaigns.

### NAR Fundraising Grants

The RPAC Board of Trustees strongly encourages local associations to judiciously utilize NAR's RPAC Fundraising Grants for local associations, up to the full \$5,000 annual allotment, before coming to TN RPAC for additional fundraising resources.

### Fundraising Requests

Once efforts to utilize NAR funds have been fully explored, the RPAC Fundraising Trustees may consider requests of up to 25 percent of a local association's fund balance (maintained by TN RPAC) may be used for fundraising activities by the local association in an effort to assist local association in making fundraising goals.

These requests may be voted on via electronic means and shall be approved by majority vote.

Local associations will need to fill out a Fundraising Assistance Request Form (See Appendix or visit <u>threaltors.com/members/vote-act-invest/rpac-request-forms</u>)

### Tennessee RPAC, For Use In State and Local Elections and Political Activities

**Seventy percent (70%)** of contributions to Tennessee RPAC shall be allocated for use in state and local elections and other state and local political activities. This amount may be adjusted as needed in accordance with the provisions of section (B), above.

### Items to Consider When Working to Meet the Fundraising Goal

#### One-Third Rule

The one-third rule says the association may pay part of the entertainment and enticement costs from the treasury as long as the amount paid is equal to or less than one-third of the total amount raised at the RPAC event.

Learn more at <u>fec.gov/help-candidates-and-committees/fundraising-for-ssf/events-and-promotions-one-third-rule-ssf</u>

#### Raffles

In Tennessee, a raffle is considered a game of chance in which a participant is required to purchase a ticket for a chance to win a prize, with the winner to be determined by random drawing.

Only a qualified 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(19) organization (NOT A POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE) that has submitted an application to the Division of Charitable Solicitations and Gaming and that has been approved by the Tennessee General Assembly can hold a raffle.

#### **Guests At Events**

Remember, only members of the restricted class can be solicited for an RPAC contribution. Fundraising events are considered methods of solicitation.

### WHAT IS A SOLICITATION?

A communication that encourages readers to support RPAC activities (by making a contribution) or facilitates making a contribution (such as providing an address where contributions may be made).

### WHAT IS NOT A SOLICITATION?

Informational notices (e g amounts contributed, number of contributors, candidates contributed to).

### METHODS OF SOLICITATION

- In person or in writing
- Email
- Social Media
- Payroll deduction
- Dues statements
- Fundraising events

# **DISBURSEMENTS**

### **Requests for Disbursements**

### **Requesting Local Candidate Disbursements**

Requests for disbursements to state or local candidates or for other state or local political activities shall be submitted in writing to the Disbursement Trustees on a form as prescribed by the Disbursement Trustees, and shall include:

- 1. whether the local association has interviewed the candidate in person or via questionnaire,
- 2. the reasons the local association wishes to support the candidate and
- 3. the candidate's chances of being successful in the race.

Requests made by local associations shall be made in accordance with the local association's policy. These requests may be voted on via electronic means and shall be approved by majority vote.

RPAC strongly urges members to actively participate in the political process at all levels, including the pursuit of political office. RPAC also acknowledges that candidates for public office should be considered for support, endorsement or contributions on the basis of individual merit in the context of the office sought. Accordingly, contributions to RPAC nor membership in Tennessee REALTORS® or other association, past or present, direct or indirect, neither entitles a member to receive support, endorsement or contributions from RPAC.

### **Requesting RPAC Fundraising Assistance Disbursements**

RPAC Fundraising assistance can be used to request funds to supplement the costs of an event, including but not limited to venue, food, and speaker costs.

Requests for disbursements for RPAC fundraising assistance shall be submitted in writing to the Fundraising Trustees on a form as prescribed by the Fundraising Trustees fifteen (15) days prior to the event. Receipts shall be submitted by the local associations to the Tennessee REALTORS® REALTOR® Party Manager of the Government Affairs Director within thirty (30) days following the event for any event or effort, including but not limited to Major Investment gifts, totaling \$1500 or more.

# **Approval and Delivery of Disbursements**

### **Approval of Disbursements**

Approval for all disbursements shall require a majority vote of the Disbursement Trustees at an annual or special meeting of the Disbursement Committee. However, the Chair of the Board of Trustees, the Vice Chair of the Board of Trustees, and the Leader of the Disbursement Committee may authorize the following expenditures:

1. Disbursements in the amount of \$500.00 or less from funds allocated for use in state elections or other state political activities

The maximum aggregate amount of state RPAC funds that may be disbursed in this manner is \$20,000.00 in the course of one fiscal year.

- 2. Disbursements in the amount of \$1,000.00 or less from funds allocated for use in local elections or other local political activities (e.g. sponsorship of a table at a local political event or assisting with costs for a local legislative reception)
- 3. Disbursements in the amount of \$1,000.00 or less for administrative purposes

A form evidencing such approval of these disbursements shall be submitted to the Chief Executive Officer of the Tennessee REALTORS<sup>®</sup> who shall prepare the RPAC checks in accordance with such form. A copy of this form shall be transmitted to the general officers of the Board of Trustees.

All disbursements authorized in this manner shall be reported to the Board of Trustees at their next meeting following the disbursements.

### **Delivery of Disbursements**

### Delivery by TNPC and/or Trustee

REALTOR<sup>®</sup> participation in the delivery of RPAC disbursements is essential to the proper function of RPAC. All checks approved by the Disbursement Committee may be delivered to the recipients personally by a REALTOR<sup>®</sup> member.

The individual serving as the Tennessee Political Coordinator ("TNPC") for the recipient will have the first option to deliver the check. The Trustee assigned to the jurisdiction of the recipient of the check is encouraged to join the TNPC if able. If the TNPC is unable or unwilling to deliver, the Trustee assigned to the jurisdiction will be the second option to deliver the check. The TNPC and the Trustee are encouraged to coordinate with their local association for delivery if able.

### Other Individuals Authorized to Deliver Checks

Checks may be delivered by RPAC Trustees, Local Association Officers, Local Association Governmental Affairs Directors, Tennessee REALTORS® staff, members of the Tennessee REALTORS® Executive Committee and/or Tennessee REALTORS® lobbyists so long as the individual has attended a Disbursement Delivery training program within the previous two years.

### Delivery Timeframe

All disbursement checks should be delivered within twenty-one (21) days of issuance. Within five (5) days of delivery, the Tennessee REALTORS® Governmental Affairs Director shall be notified that the check was delivered and by whom it was delivered. If for any reason a disbursement check cannot be delivered within twenty-one (21) day time frame, the Tennessee REALTORS® Governmental Affairs Director shall be notified immediately and the check shall be returned to the Tennessee REALTORS® Governmental Affairs Director.

### Disbursements to Political Parties and Other Political Action Committees

RPAC may disburse funds to political parties and other political action committees. Tennessee RPAC may not reimburse any multi candidate political action committee for specific contributions made to a campaign or candidate.

# **RPAC INVESTOR RECOGNITION PROGRAMS**

### National RPAC

### Platinum R

The membership requirement for Platinum R is a \$10,000.00 initial contribution and sustaining contributions of \$5,000.00 annually to Tennessee RPAC. Tennessee RPAC shall forward thirty percent (30%) of all Platinum R contributions to National RPAC. Platinum R benefits are at the discretion of the National RPAC Board of Trustees and shall be conveyed to the contributor upon receipt of the contribution allocation by National RPAC.

### Golden R

The membership requirement for Golden R is a \$5,000.00 initial contribution and sustaining contributions of \$2,000.00 annually to Tennessee RPAC. The sustaining contribution amount for Golden R members whose initial contribution was made prior to 2002 is \$1,000.00. Tennessee RPAC shall forward thirty percent (30%) of all Golden R contributions to National RPAC. Golden R benefits are at the discretion of the National RPAC Board of Trustees and shall be conveyed to the contributor upon receipt of the contribution allocation by National RPAC

### **Crystal R**

The membership requirement for Crystal R is a \$2,500.00 initial contribution and sustaining contributions of \$1,500.00 annually to Tennessee RPAC. Tennessee RPAC shall forward thirty percent (30%) of all Crystal R contributions to National RPAC. Crystal R benefits are at the discretion of the National RPAC Board of Trustees and shall be conveyed to the contributor upon receipt of the contribution allocation by National RPAC.

### **Sterling R**

The membership requirement for Sterling R is a \$1,000.00 contribution to Tennessee RPAC annually. Tennessee RPAC shall forward thirty percent (30%) of all Sterling R contributions to National RPAC. Sterling R benefits are at the discretion of the National RPAC Board of Trustees and shall be conveyed to the contributor upon receipt of the contribution allocation by National RPAC.

### **Tennessee RPAC**

#### Bronze R

The membership requirement for Bronze R is a \$500.00 contribution to Tennessee RPAC annually. Bronze R benefits shall be at the discretion of the Tennessee RPAC Board of Trustees and shall be conveyed to the contributor upon receipt of the contribution by Tennessee RPAC.

### **Capitol Club**

The membership requirement for the Capitol Club is a \$250.00 contribution to Tennessee RPAC annually. Capitol Club benefits shall be at the discretion of the Tennessee RPAC Board of Trustees and shall be conveyed to the contributor upon receipt of the contribution by Tennessee RPAC.

#### 99er Club

The membership requirement for the 99er Club is a \$99.00 contribution to Tennessee RPAC annually. 99er Club benefits shall be at the discretion of the Tennessee RPAC Board of Trustees and shall be conveyed to the contributor upon receipt of the contribution by Tennessee RPAC.

### **Sterling R**

The membership requirement for Sterling R is a \$1,000.00 contribution to Tennessee RPAC annually. Tennessee RPAC shall forward thirty percent (30%) of all Sterling R contributions to National RPAC. Sterling R benefits are at the discretion of the National RPAC Board of Trustees and shall be conveyed to the contributor upon receipt of the contribution allocation by National RPAC.

### Gifts

Generally speaking, it is permissible to provide RPAC investors (of any level) items meant to recognize those investors' commitment to RPAC and its mission. The hard and fast rule is that the items provided cannot eclipse the underlying investment. In other words, it is critical that you are able to defend the RPAC investment level on the merits of the investment – that investors give to RPAC because they believe in the cause and not simply to receive a gift or item of recognition. This is legally important, because associations cannot use corporate funds (likely the account used to purchase the recognition items) to give things of value to investors "in exchange" for their investment in RPAC. Note that if you use RPAC funds to buy these items, the legal issue is diminished.

This logic suggests, then, that the recognition items be reasonable in terms of value and commensurate with the RPAC fundraising program...not eclipsing it.

# **APPENDIX A**

## **RPAC Local Candidate Form**

### **Candidate Information**

Candidate Name:

Office Sought (Include District #1):

Seat Status:

Campaign Committee Name:

Address:

Is the Candidate a REALTOR®?

Has a Candidate interview been conducted?

Amount Requested:

Make check payable to:

Where you would you like the check mailed to:

Election type:

Date of election:

Is it likely the Candidate will be successful?

Additional Information/comments:

#### **Contact Information**

Email:

Name:

Association:

# APPENDIX B

### **RPAC Fundraising Assistance Request Form**

### **Contact Information**

Local Association:

Staff Contact:

Phone:

Email:

### **RPAC Fundraising**

Do you utilize dues billing?

Standard amount requested for dues billing?

- Total raised so far this year?
- Number of Major Investors?
- Please explain ongoing RPAC fundraising activities and RPAC education/awareness:

Please share information about past RPAC events and activities:

### **Request Details**

Amount requested:

- Date of event:
- Goal to raise at event:

Please explain, in detail, the type of event or initiative you are planning:

Have you submitted a NAR grant request for this event?

# APPENDIX C

# **RPAC Local Political Activity Request**

### **Contact Information**

Local Association:

Staff Contact:

Phone:

Email:

### **Activity Details**

Please explain type of local political activity:

Amount requested:

Date of event:

# APPENDIX D

### **RPAC Fundraising Assistance Evaluation Form**

Optional form to be completed after event to share the success of the event

### **Contact Information**

Local Association:

Staff Contact:

Phone:

Email:

### **Event Description**

Event Name:

Event Date:

Attendance:

Amount Requested:

### Fundraising Results

Total Amount Raised:

Goal Amount:

What percentages of these funds were from new investors?

Were any of these funds from soft money? If so, how much?

Did any investors upgrade to a higher contribution level? If yes, please list how many and the respective contribution amounts.

Did the event incentivize Major Investors in any way? If so, how?

Additional Comments:

# APPENDIX E

## **Tennessee RPAC Trustees Officer Election Application**

Thank you for your interest in running for Vice Chair or Treasurer of the Tennessee REALTORS® RPAC Trustees. Your responses to the following questions will help committee members understand your qualifications, priorities, and commitment to upholding the values and responsibilities of this role. To be eligible to run for the positions of Vice Chair or Treasurer, candidates must have fulfilled a minimum one-year tenure as a trustee.

- 1. Name:
- 2. Position you are running for:
- 3. Briefly introduce yourself and your background.
- 4. Please describe any relevant qualifications or experiences that make you well-suited for this committee officer position.
- 5. Are you an RPAC investor? If yes, how long have you been an investor, and at what level?
- 6. How do you support RPAC and the REALTOR® Party as a REALTOR®?
- 7. What do you hope to achieve if elected to this committee officer position?
- 8. If elected as an officer of RPAC, would you be able to wear a neutral political hat in determining the allocation of funds to potential REALTOR® Party champions, no matter their political affiliation?
- 9. How will you encourage active participation and engagement among committee members?