

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY AND OWNERS' ASSOCIATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Instructions to Property Owners

- The Residential Property Disclosure Act (G.S. 47E) ("Disclosure Act") requires owners of residential real estate (single-family homes, individual condominiums, townhouses, and the like, and buildings with up to four dwelling units) to furnish purchasers a Residential Property and Owners' Association Disclosure Statement ("Disclosure Statement"). This form is the only one approved for this purpose. A disclosure statement must be furnished in connection with the sale, exchange, option and sale under a lease with option to purchase where the tenant does not occupy or intend to occupy the dwelling. A disclosure statement is not required for some transactions, including the first sale of a dwelling which has never been inhabited and transactions of residential property made pursuant to a lease with option to purchase where the lessee occupies or intends to occupy the dwelling. For a complete list of exemptions, see G.S. 47E-2.
- You must respond to each of the questions on the following pages of this form by filling in the requested information or by placing a check () in the appropriate box. In responding to the questions, you are only obligated to disclose information about which you have actual knowledge.
 - a. If you check "Yes" for any question, you must explain your answer and either describe any problem or attach a report from an attorney, engineer, contractor, pest control operator or other expert or public agency describing it. If you attach a report, you will not be liable for any inaccurate or incomplete information contained in it so long as you were not grossly negligent in obtaining or transmitting the information.
 - b. If you check "No," you are stating that you have no actual knowledge of any problem. If you check "No" and you know there is a problem, you may be liable for making an intentional misstatement.
 - c. If you check "No Representation," you are choosing not to disclose the conditions or characteristics of the property, even if you have actual knowledge of them or should have known of them.
 - d. If you check "Yes" or "No" and something happens to the property to make your Disclosure Statement incorrect or inaccurate (for example, the roof begins to leak), you must promptly give the purchaser a corrected Disclosure Statement or correct the problem.
- If you are assisted in the sale of your property by a licensed real estate broker, you are still responsible for completing and delivering the Disclosure Statement to the purchasers; and the broker must disclose any material facts about your property which he or she knows or reasonably should know, regardless of your responses on the Disclosure Statement.
- 4. You must give the completed Disclosure Statement to the purchaser no later than the time the purchaser makes an offer to purchase your property. If you do not, the purchaser can, under certain conditions, cancel any resulting contract (See "Note to Purchasers" below). You should give the purchaser a copy of the Disclosure Statement containing your signature and keep a copy signed by the purchaser for your records.

Note to Purchasers: If the owner does not give you a Residential Property and Owner's Association Disclosure Statement by the time you make your offer to purchase the property, you may under certain conditions cancel any resulting contract without penalty to you as the purchaser. To cancel the contract, you must personally deliver or mail written notice of your decision to cancel to the owner or the owner's agent within three calendar days following your receipt of the Disclosure Statement, or three calendar days following the date of the contract, whichever occurs first. However, in no event does the Disclosure Act permit you to cancel a contract after settlement of the transaction or (in the case of a sale or exchange) after you have occupied the property, whichever occurs first.

5.	In the space below, type	or print in ink the address of the property (su	fficient to identify it) and your name. The	en sign and date.	
	Property Address: 265	7 Highway 66 South, Kerners	ville, NC 27284		
	Owner's Name(s): Mar	vin E Lowder, Elizabeth E Lo	owder		:
	Owner(s) acknowledge(signed.	(s) having examinad this Disclosure Statemen Marvin E Lowder	t before signing and that all information	n is true and correct	as of the date
	Owner Signature:	POSTISIANDAY 900	Marvin E Lowder Date	September 1	1 , 2017
	Owner Signature:	Elizabeth E Lowder	Elizabeth E Lowder Date	September 1	1 , 2017
	is not a warranty by ow are made by the owner	re receipt of a copy of this Disclosure Stateme vner or owners' agent; that it is not a substitu is and not the owners' agents or subagents. F r or other professional. As used herein, words	te for any inspections they may wish to o Purchasers are strongly encouraged to o	btain; and that the re btain their own inspe	presentations
	Purchaser Signature:		Date		,
	Purchaser Signature: _		Date		,
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aci	e following questions address the characteristics and condition of the property identified above about tual knowledge. Where the question refers to "dwelling," it is intended to refer to the dwelling unit, ce, to be conveyed with the property. The term "dwelling unit" refers to any structure intended for hum:	r uni	its if	more than
		<u>Yes</u>	No	No Representation
	In what year was the dwelling constructed? Explain if necessary:			K
2.	Is there any problem, malfunction or defect with the dwelling's foundation, slab, fireplaces/chimneys, floors, windows (including storm windows and screens), doors, ceilings, interior and exterior walls, attached garage, patio, deck or other structural components including modifications to them?			
3.	The dwelling's exterior walls are made of what type of material? Brick Veneer Wood Stone Vinyl Synthetic Stucco Composition/Hardboard Concrete Fiber Cement Aluminum Asbestos (Check all that apply)			X
4.	In what year was the dwelling's roof covering installed? (Approximate if no records are available) Explain if necessary:			
5.	Is there any leakage or other problem with the dwelling's roof?			X
6.	Is there any water seepage, leakage, dampness or standing water in the dwelling's basement, crawl space, or slab?			X
7.	Is there any problem, malfunction or defect with the dwelling's electrical system (outlets, wiring, panel, switches, fixtures, generator, etc.)?			X
8.	Is there any problem, malfunction or defect with the dwelling's plumbing system (pipes, fixtures, water heater, etc.)?			K
9.	Is there any problem, malfunction or defect with the dwelling's heating and/or air conditioning?			\boxtimes
10.	What is the dwelling's heat source?			
11.	What is the dwelling's cooling source?			
12.	What are the dwelling's fuel sources? Electricity Natural Gas Propane Oil Other (Check all that apply) If the fuel source is stored in a tank, identify whether the tank is above ground or below ground, and whether the tank is leased by seller or owned by seller. (Check all that apply)			X
13.	What is the dwelling's water supply source? ☐ City/County ☐ Community System ☐ Private Well ☐ Shared Well ☐ Other (Check all that apply)			X
14.	The dwelling's water pipes are made of what type of material? Copper Galvanized Plastic Polybutylene (Check all that apply)			
15.	Is there any problem, malfunction or defect with the dwelling's water supply (including water quality, quantity, or water pressure)?			K
16.	What is the dwelling's sewage disposal system? ☐ Septic Tank ☐ Septic Tank with Pump ☐ Community System ☐ Connected to City/County System ☐ City/County System available ☐ Straight pipe (wastewater does not go into a septic or other sewer system [note: use of this type of system violates state law]) ☐ Other (Check all that apply)			X
17.	If the dwelling is serviced by a septic system, do you know how many bedrooms are allowed by the septic system permit? If your answer is "yes" how many bedrooms are allowed? \ _ No records available			E
18.	Is there any problem, malfunction or defect with the dwelling's sewer and/or septic system?			X
19.	Is there any problem, malfunction or defect with the dwelling's central vacuum, pool, hot tub, spa, attic fan, exhaust fan, ceiling fans, sump pump, irrigation system, TV cable wiring or satellite dish, garage door openers, gas logs, or other systems?			X I
20.	Is there any problem, malfunction or defect with any appliances that may be included in the conveyance (range/oven,			
	attached microwave, hood/fan, dishwasher, disposal, etc.)? MEL 9/29/2017 DS DS		017	K
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21. Is there any problem with present infestation insects or organisms which has not been repair			Yes	No.	Representation
22. Is there any problem, malfunction or defect wi	th the drainage, grading or soil stability of the	property?			K
23. Are there any structural additions or other st the property? 3+r.u.c.xu.e. Missila.	ructural or mechanical changes to the dwell	ing(s) to be conveyed with			K
24. Is the property to be conveyed in violation use restrictions, or building codes (including changes/improvements)?	ng the failure to obtain proper permits fo	or room additions or other			K
25. Are there any hazardous or toxic substances, n gas, lead-based paint) which exceed government storage tanks, or any environmentally hazardo contamination) which affect the property?	nt safety standards, any debris (whether buried us conditions (such as contaminated soil or w	d or covered) or underground vater, or other environmental			X.
26. Is there any noise, odor, smoke, etc. from	commercial, industrial, or military sources	which affects the property?			
27. Is the property subject to any utility or other adjacent property?					<u> </u>
28. Is the property the subject of any lawsuits, fo proposed assessments, mechanics' liens, mater title to the property?	ialmens' liens, or notices from any governme	ental agency that could affect			K I
29. Is the property the subject to a flood hazard	or is the property located in a federally-de	signated flood hazard area?			K
30. Does the property abut or adjoin any private ro	ad(s) or street(s)?				<u> </u>
31. If there is a private road or street adjoining agreements dealing with the maintenance of th					K
In lieu of providing a written explanation, you rengineer, land surveyor, geologist, pest control of public agency's functions or the expert's license of	perator, contractor, home inspector or other expertise.	expert, dealing with matters	withi	n the	scope of that
The following questions pertain to the property garages, or other buildings located thereon.	r identified above, including the lot to be c	onveyed and any dwelling			No Representation
32. To your knowledge, is the property subject to					_
which impose various mandatory covenants, obligations to pay regular assessments or durinformation requested below as to each owner that does not apply]: •(specify name) ("dues") are \$	es and special assessments? If your answer rs' association to which the property is subjective association to which the property is subjective.	is "yes," please provide the	_	K	
•(specify name) ("dues") are \$					
president of the owners' association or the asso	. The name, address,	whose regular assessments and telephone number of the			

		Yes	No	No Representation
33.	Are any fees charged by the association or by the association's management company in connection with the conveyance or transfer of the lot or property to a new owner? If your answer is "yes," please state the amount of the fees:			
34.	As of the date this Disclosure Statement is signed, are any dues, fees, or special assessments which have been duly approved as required by the applicable declaration or bylaws, and that are payable to an association to which the lot is subject? If your answer is "yes," please state the nature and amount of the dues, fees, or special assessments to which the property is subject:			
35.	As of the date this Disclosure Statement is signed, are there any unsatisfied judgments against, or pending lawsuits <i>involving the property or lot to be conveyed</i> ? If your answer is "yes," please state the nature of each pending lawsuit, and the amount of each unsatisfied judgment:			
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36.	As of the date this Disclosure Statement is signed, are there any unsatisfied judgments against, or pending lawsuits involving the planned community or the association to which the property and lot are subject, with the exception of any action filed by the association for the collection of delinquent assessments on lots other than the property and lot to be conveyed? If your answer is "yes," please state the nature of each pending lawsuit, and the amount of each unsatisfied judgment:	_	_	_
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37.	Which of the following services and amenities are paid for by the owners' association(s) identified above out of the association's regular assessments ("dues")? (Check all that apply).			
		Yes	No	No Representation
	Management Fees			_
	Exterior Building Maintenance of Property to be Conveyed	_	_	
	Exterior Yard/Landscaping Maintenance of Lot to be Conveyed	_		
	Common Areas Maintenance	_		
	Trash Removal	_		
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	Recreational Amenity Maintenance (specify amenities covered)			
	Pest Treatment/Extermination			
	Street Lights			
	Water			
	Sewer			
	Storm water Management/Drainage/Ponds.			
	Internet Service			
	Cable			
	Private Road Maintenance			
	Parking Area Maintenance	П	П	П
	Gate and/or Security			
	Other: (specify)			
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Instructions to Property Owners

- 1. The Residential Property Disclosure Act (G.S. 47E) ("Disclosure Act") requires owners of certain residential real estate such as single-family homes, individual condominiums, townhouses, and the like, and buildings with up to four dwelling units, to furnish purchasers a Mineral and Oil and Gas Rights Disclosure Statement ("Disclosure Statement"). This form is the only one approved for this purpose.
- 2. A disclosure statement is not required for some transactions. For a complete list of exemptions, see G.S. 47E-2(a). A DISCLOSURE STATEMENT IS REQUIRED FOR THE TRANSFERS IDENTIFIED IN G.S. 47E-2(b), including transfers involving the first sale of a dwelling never inhabited, lease with option to purchase contracts where the lessee occupies or intends to occupy the dwelling, and transfers between parties when both parties agree not to provide the Residential Property and Owner's Association Disclosure Statement.
- 3. You must respond to each of the following by placing a check $\sqrt{\ }$ in the appropriate box.

MINERAL AND OIL AND GAS RIGHTS DISCLOSURE

Mineral rights and/or oil and gas rights can be severed from the title to real property by conveyance (deed) of the mineral rights and/or oil and gas rights from the owner or by reservation of the mineral rights and/or oil and gas rights by the owner. If mineral rights and/or oil and gas rights are or will be severed from the property, the owner of those rights may have the perpetual right to drill, mine, explore, and remove any of the subsurface mineral and/or oil or gas resources on or from the property either directly from the surface of the property or from a nearby location. With regard to the severance of mineral rights and/or oil and gas rights, Seller makes the following disclosures:

Buyer Initials	1. Mineral rights were severed from the property by a previous owner	er. [<u>.</u>
•	2. Seller has severed the mineral rights from the property.] 🛚	
Buyer Initials	3. Seller intends to sever the mineral rights from the property prior to transfer of title to the Buyer.			
Buyer Initials	4. Oil and gas rights were severed from the property by a previous owner	er. [X
Buyer Initials	5. Seller has severed the oil and gas rights from the property.			
Buyer Initials	6. Seller intends to sever the oil and gas rights from the property prior to transfer of title to Buyer.			
	Note to Purchasers		,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	
may under you must p calendar da whichever transaction	the property, or exercise an option to purchase the property pursuant to a least certain conditions cancel any resulting contract without penalty to you as the ersonally deliver or mail written notice of your decision to cancel to the owneys following your receipt of this Disclosure Statement, or three calendar days occurs first. However, in no event does the Disclosure Act permit you to cance or (in the case of a sale or exchange) after you have occupied the property, where the property of the property o	e purchaser or the sfollowing following the state of the	ser. To can owner's ag ng the date tract after s	cel the contract, gent within three of the contract, settlement of the
Owner's Name(s):	Marvin E Lowder, Elizabeth E Lowder			
the date signed. Owner Signature: Owner Signature: Purchaser(s) acknumberstand that the	Docusigned by: Marwin E Lowder Birabeth E Lowder Bowledge receipt of a copy of this Disclosure Statement; that they have easis is not a warranty by owner or owner's agent; and that the representation	Date Date	Septemb Septemb	er 11, 2017 er 11, 2017 signing: that thev
<i>owner's agent(s) o</i> Purchaser Signati	_ ,,	Date		
	854 Valley Rd Ste 100 Mocksville, NC 27028	President		REC 4.25 1/1/15

Yes No No Representation

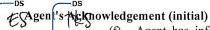
LEAD-BASED PAINT OR LEAD-BASED PAINT HAZARD ADDENDUM

Property: 265	7 Highway 66 South, Kernersville, NC 27284
Seller: <u>Marvi</u>	n E Lowder, Elizabeth E Lowder
Buyer:	
This Addendur Property.	m is attached to and made a part of the Offer to Purchase and Contract ("Contract") between Seller and Buyer for the
presence of le	ue Diligence Period, Buyer shall have the right to obtain a risk assessment or inspection of the Property for the ead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards* at Buyer's expense. Buyer may waive the right to obtain a risk inspection of the Property for the presence of lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards at any time without
	pased paint that is in good condition is not necessarily a hazard. See EPA pamphlet "Protect Your Family Your Home" for more information.
	Disclosure of Information on Lead-Based Paint and Lead-Based Paint Hazards
property may p Lead poisoning intelligence qualified The Seller of the hazards from the	g Statement If any interest in residential real property on which a residential dwelling was built prior to 1978 is notified that such present exposure to lead from lead-based paint that may place young children at risk of developing lead poisoning. Ing in young children may produce permanent neurological damage, including learning disabilities, reduced notions, behavioral problems, and impaired memory. Lead poisoning also poses a particular risk to pregnant women. nany interest in residential real property is required to provide the Buyer with any information on lead-based paint risk assessments or inspections in the Seller's possession and notify the Buyer of any known lead-based paint hazards. nent or inspection for possible lead-based hazards is recommended prior to purchase.
Ds Seller's Disclo	osure (initial)
mel eel	(a) Presence of lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards (check one below): Known lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards are present in the housing (explain).
-DS DS	Seller has no knowledge of lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the housing.
nel eel	(b) Records and reports available to the Seller (check one) Seller has provided the Buyer with all available records and reports pertaining to lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the housing (list documents below).
	Seller has no reports or records pertaining to lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the housing.
Buyer's Ackr	nowledgement (initial) (c) Buyer has received copies of all information listed above.
	(d) Buyer has received the pamphlet Protect Your Family from Lead in Your Home.
	 (e) Buyer has (check one below): Received the opportunity during the Due Diligence Period to conduct a risk assessment or inspection for the presence of lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards; or Waived the opportunity to conduct a risk assessment or inspection for the presence of lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards.
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(f) Agent has informed the Seller of the Seller's obligations under 42 U.S.C. 4852d and is aware of his/her responsibility to ensure compliance.

Certification of Accuracy

The following parties have reviewed the information above and certify, to the best of their knowledge, that the information provided by the signatory is true and accurate.

IN THE EVENT OF A CONFLICT BETWEEN THIS ADDENDUM AND THE CONTRACT, THIS ADDENDUM SHALL CONTROL, EXCEPT THAT IN THE CASE OF SUCH A CONFLICT AS TO THE DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY OR THE IDENTITY OF THE BUYER OR SELLER, THE CONTRACT SHALL CONTROL.

THE NORTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS®, INC. AND THE NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION MAKE NO REPRESENTATION AS TO THE LEGAL VALIDITY OR ADEQUACY OF ANY PROVISION OF THIS FORM IN ANY SPECIFIC TRANSACTION. IF YOU DO NOT UNDERSTAND THIS FORM OR FEEL THAT IT DOES NOT PROVIDE FOR YOUR LEGAL NEEDS, YOU SHOULD CONSULT A NORTH CAROLINA REAL ESTATE ATTORNEY BEFORE YOU SIGN IT.

Buyer:		Date: _	
Buyer:		Date: _	
Entity Buyer:			
By:		Date:	
Name:	Title:		
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(Name of LLC/Corporation/Partnership/Trust/etc.) By:		Date:	
	Title:		
Name: Docusigned by: Highbut Swingood Agent: Elizabeth Swicegood		Date:	September 11, 2017
Elizabeth Swicegood			

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When buying or selling real estate, you may find it helpful to have a real estate agent assist you. Real estate agents can provide many useful services and work with you in different ways. In some real estate transactions, the agents work for the seller. In others, the seller and buyer may each have agents. And sometimes the same agents work for both the buyer and the seller. It is important for you to know whether an agent is representing you as your agent or simply assisting you while acting as an agent of the other party.

This brochure addresses the various types of agency relationships that may be available to you. It should help you decide which relationship you want to have with a real estate agent. It will also give you useful information about the various services real estate agents can provide buyers and sellers, and it will help explain how real estate agents are paid.

Sellers

Seller's Agent

If you are selling real estate, you may want to "list" your property for sale with a real estate firm. If so, you will sign a "listing agreement" authorizing the firm and its agents to represent you in your dealings with buyers as your *seller's agent*. You may also be asked to allow agents from other firms to help find a buyer for your property.

Be sure to read and understand the listing agreement before you sign it. Your agent must give you a copy of the listing agreement after you sign it.

Duties to Seller: The listing firm and its agents must • promote your best interests • be loyal to you • follow your lawful instructions • provide you with all material facts that could influence your decisions • use reasonable skill, care and diligence, and • account for all monies they handle for you. Once you have signed the listing agreement, the firm and its agents may not give any confidential information about you to prospective buyers or their agents without your permission so long as they represent you. But until you sign the listing agreement, you should avoid telling the listing agent anything you would not want a buyer to know.

Services and Compensation: To help you sell your property, the listing firm and its agents will offer to perform a number of services for you. These may include • helping you price your property • advertising and marketing your property • giving you all required property disclosure forms for you to complete • negotiating for you the best possible price and terms • reviewing all written offers with you and • otherwise promoting your interests.

For representing you and helping you sell your property, you will pay the listing firm a sales commission or fee. The listing agreement must state the amount or method for determining the sales commission or fee and whether you will allow the firm to share its commission with agents representing the buyer.

Dual Agent

You may even permit the listing firm and its agents to represent you and a buyer at the same time. This "dual agency relationship" is most likely to happen if an agent with your listing firm is working as a *buyer's* agent with someone who wants to purchase your property. If this occurs and you have not already agreed to a dual agency relationship in your listing agreement, your listing agent will ask you amend your listing agreement to permit the agent to act as agent for both you and the buyer.

It may be difficult for a dual agent to advance the interests of both the buyer and seller. Nevertheless, a *dual agent* must treat buyers and sellers fairly and equally. Although the *dual agent* owes them the same duties, buyers and sellers can prohibit *dual agents* from divulging **certain** confidential information about them to the other party. Some firms also offer a form of dual agency called "designated agency" where one agent in the firm represents the seller and another agent represents the buyer. This option (when available) may allow each "designated agent" to more fully represent each party.

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STANDARD FORM 160 NC REC 3/1/2013 If you choose the "dual agency" option, remember that since a dual agent's loyalty is divided between parties with competing interests, it is especially important that you have a clear understanding of • what your relationship is with the *dual agent* and • what the agent will be doing for you in the transaction.

Buyers

When buying real estate, you may have several choices as to how you want a real estate firm and its agents to work with you. For example, you may want them to represent only you (as a buyer's agent). You may be willing for them to represent both you and the seller at the same time (as a dual agent). Or you may agree to let them represent only the seller (seller's agent or subagent). Some agents will offer you a choice of these services. Others may not.

Buyer's Agent

Duties to Buyer: If the real estate firm and its agents represent you, they must • promote your best interests • be loyal to you • follow your lawful instructions • provide you with all material facts that could influence your decisions • use reasonable skill, care and diligence, and • account for all monies they handle for you. Once you have agreed (either orally or in writing) for the firm and its agents to be your buyer's agent, they may not give any confidential information about you to sellers or their agents without your permission so long as they represent you. But until you make this agreement with your buyer's agent, you should avoid telling the agent anything you would not want a seller to know.

Unwritten Agreements: To make sure that you and the real estate firm have a clear understanding of what your relationship will be and what the firm will do for you, you may want to have a written agreement. However, some firms may be willing to represent and assist you for a time as a buyer's agent without a written agreement. But if you decide to make an offer to purchase a particular property, the agent must obtain a written agency agreement before writing the offer. If you do not sign it, the agent can no longer represent and assist you and is no longer required to keep information about you confidential.

Be sure to read and understand any agency agreement before you sign it. Once you sign it, the agent must give you a copy of it.

Services and Compensation: Whether you have a written or unwritten agreement, a buyer's agent will perform a number of services for you. These may include helping you • find a suitable property • arrange financing • learn more about the property and • otherwise promote your best interests. If you have a written agency agreement, the agent can also help you prepare and submit a written offer to the seller.

A *buyer's agent* can be compensated in different ways. For example, you can pay the agent out of your own pocket. Or the agent may seek compensation from the seller or listing agent first, but require you to pay if the listing agent refuses. Whatever the case, be sure your compensation arrangement with your *buyer's agent* is spelled out in a buyer agency agreement before you make an offer to purchase property and that you carefully read and understand the compensation provision.

Dual Agent

You may permit an agent or firm to represent you and the seller at the same time. This "dual agency relationship" is most likely to happen if you become interested in a property listed with your buyer's agent or the agent's firm. If this occurs and you have not already agreed to a dual agency relationship in your (written or oral) buyer agency agreement, your buyer's agent will ask you to amend the buyer agency agreement or sign a separate agreement or document permitting him or her to act as agent for both you and the seller. It may be difficult for a dual agent to advance the interests of both the buyer and seller. Nevertheless, a dual agent must treat buyers and sellers fairly and equally. Although the dual agent owes them the same duties, buyers and sellers can prohibit dual agents from divulging certain confidential information about them to the other party.

Some firms also offer a form of dual agency called "designated dual agency" where one agent in the firm represents the seller and another agent represents the buyer. This option (when available) may allow each "designated agent" to more fully represent each party.

If you choose the "dual agency" option, remember that since a *dual agent's* loyalty is divided between parties with competing interests, it is especially important that you have a clear understanding of • what your relationship is with the *dual agent* and • what the agent will be doing for you in the transaction. This can best be accomplished by putting the agreement in writing at the earliest possible time.

Seller's Agent Working With a Buyer

If the real estate agent or firm that you contact does not offer *buyer agency* or you do not want them to act as your *buyer agent*, you can still work with the firm and its agents. However, they will be acting as the seller's agent (or "subagent"). The agent can still help you find and purchase property and provide many of the same services as a *buyer's agent*. The agent must be fair with you and provide you with any "material facts" (such as a leaky roof) about properties.

But remember, the agent represents the seller - not you - and therefore must try to obtain for the seller the best possible price and terms for the seller's property. Furthermore, a *seller's agent* is required to give the seller any information about you (even personal, financial or confidential information) that would help the seller in the sale of his or her property. Agents must tell you *in writing* if they are *sellers' agents* before you say anything that can help the seller. But **until you are sure that an agent is not a** *seller's agent***, you should avoid saying anything you do** *not* **want a seller to know.**

Sellers' agents are compensated by the sellers.

Disclosure of Sel	ler Subagency		
(Complete, if app	licable)		
X When showing	g you property and assisting you in the purchase of a property, the above ag	gent and firm	will
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