



# Memo from the Board to Nebraska Real Property Appraisers

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## **NRPAB ENCOURAGES ALL CURRENT TRAINEE REAL PROPERTY APPRAISERS AND SUPERVISORY APPRAISERS TO COMPLETE THE 7-HOUR SUPERVISORY APPRAISER AND TRAINEE COURSE**

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*As of January 1, 2015, all Trainee Real Property Appraiser applicants and Supervisory Appraiser applicants must successfully complete a 7-Hour Supervisory Appraiser and Trainee Course. The Nebraska Real Property Appraiser Board strongly recommends that all current Trainee Real Property Appraisers and Supervisory Appraisers take this course as well.*

LB717, which was signed into law by Governor Heineman on April 10, 2014, updated the Nebraska Real Property Appraiser Act with the necessary requirements for compliance with the Real Property Appraiser Qualification Criteria promulgated on December 9, 2011.

As of January 1, 2015, the requirements for approval as a Trainee Real Property Appraiser or a Supervisory Appraiser include a 7-Hour Supervisory Appraiser and Trainee Course. This course must be completed by all applicants for the Trainee Real Property Appraiser credential within one year immediately preceding the date of application, and within two years immediately preceding the date of written request by any Certified Real Property Appraiser for approval as a Supervisory Appraiser.

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The 7-Hour Supervisory Appraiser and Trainee Course is designed to provide adequate information to ensure that the Supervisory Appraiser and Trainee Real Property Appraiser understand the qualifications and responsibilities of each role. Focus is placed on understanding the appraiser regulatory environment, credentialing requirements for each classification, appraisal experience requirements and the experience verification process, ethics requirements, expectations of each role, and basics of the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice.

Although the 7-Hour Supervisory Appraiser and Trainee Course is not required for those Trainee Real Property Appraisers awarded a credential before January 1, 2015, and those Supervisory Appraisers in an active relationship with a Trainee Real Property Appraiser that began before January 1, 2015, the Nebraska Real Property Appraiser Board ("Board") strongly encourages each Trainee Real Property Appraiser and Supervisory Appraiser to complete this course.

Board Member Kubert recently attended a 7-Hour Supervisory Appraiser and Trainee Course conducted by The Moore Group, and offered the following:

*"We recently sent all of our currently credentialed Supervisors and Trainees to the Nebraska Supervisory Appraisal and Trainee Appraiser Training course. The course was a great review of the expectations of our training program, and the course showed us several areas where we can improve our appraisal and documentation processes. Clearly, there is a lot to the Supervisor/Trainee relationship that must be managed well to mitigate future risks to both parties."*

Any Certified Real Property Appraiser that completes this course under the January 1, 2015 requirements may receive continuing education credit for successfully completing the course once in a two year period.

Please check the Board's website at [www.appraiser.ne.gov](http://www.appraiser.ne.gov) for upcoming 7-Hour Supervisory Appraiser and Trainee Courses. On the right hand side of the page, select the "Education" hyperlink. In the next screen, select "Upcoming Qualifying and Continuing Education Activities" for a schedule of activities. A 7-Hour Supervisory Appraiser and Trainee Course offered in another jurisdiction may be accepted by the Board if it is approved for the same purpose by the jurisdiction in which it is held, meets or exceeds the standards for course approval in Nebraska, and is conducted in a classroom.

Please contact the Board's office at 402-471-9015, or email Tyler Kohtz at [tyler.kohtz@nebraska.gov](mailto:tyler.kohtz@nebraska.gov), for any questions or comments concerning the 7-Hour Supervisory Appraiser and Trainee Course.