



STATEMENT OF FEE APPRAISERS OR COMPLIANCE INSPECTORS

I HAVE READ the statement of the Department of Veterans Affairs policy and the prescription of standards with respect to the private interests and pursuits of the Department of Veterans Affairs fee appraisers and compliance inspectors and I understand that any departure therefrom or contravention thereof may be the basis for my removal.

I HEREBY AGREE THAT:

I WILL NOT ACCEPT an assignment from the Department of Veterans Affairs to appraise or inspect any property in respect to which I am acting or will act in the capacity of broker or loan broker, in which I have or will have any other interest, or in which I have or will have any ownership unless such interest or ownership shall have been fully disclosed to the Department of Veterans Affairs Regional Office Director.

I WILL NOT ACCEPT any commission, fee or emolument in connection with an assignment from the Department of Veterans Affairs to appraise or inspect a property other than the approved Department of Veterans Affairs appraisal or inspection fee.

ALL MY INTERESTS AND PURSUITS for consideration in relation to applicable Department of Veterans Affairs standards are as follows:

I am a member of the following professional appraisal organization(s):

(DATE)

(SIGNATURE)

(TYPED NAME)

(ADDRESS)

(ADDRESS)

PLEASE NOTIFY US PROMPTLY OF ANY CHANGE OF ADDRESS

You may do so by calling our toll-free number 1-800-827-1000

NOTICE TO FEE APPRAISERS AND COMPLIANCE INSPECTORS

PRIVACY ACT INFORMATION: No designation or retention as a fee appraiser or compliance inspector may be made unless a signed statement has been received (38 U.S.C. 210 and 213). Disclosure of the information is voluntary; however, failure to do so will deprive VA of information needed in reaching decisions which could affect you. Responses may be disclosed outside VA only if the disclosure is authorized under the Privacy Act, including the routine uses identified in the VA system of records, 17VA26, Loan Guaranty Fee Personnel and Program Participant Records - VA, published in the Federal Register.

Fee appraisers and compliance inspectors are advised that under Privacy Act routine uses identifying information and the performance records of qualified fee appraisers and compliance inspectors, including any information regarding their termination, non-redesignation, temporary suspension or resignation from participation in the Loan Guaranty Program, including the records of any disciplinary proceedings, may be disclosed to Federal, State, local or non-governmental agencies, businesses, and professional organizations, to permit these entities to employ, continue to employ or contract for the services of qualified fee personnel, monitor the performance of such personnel, and take any appropriate disciplinary action.

Except as may be otherwise expressly authorized by VA regulations, instructions, or directives, designated or approved fee appraisers and compliance inspectors shall not engage in any private pursuits where there may or will be:

- (1) Any connection established that may result in a conflict between the private interests of a VA fee appraiser or compliance inspector and his or her duties and responsibilities to VA and veterans.
- (2) Any connection established that may tend to bias his or her judgment as a VA fee appraiser or compliance inspector.
- (3) Any circumstances wherein information obtained from or through a VA assignment to appraise or to make compliance inspections will be used to the detriment of the Government or veterans.

The foregoing statement of policy and the standards are intended to preclude any fee appraiser or compliance inspector from:

- (1) Selling land to a builder or sponsor and then making an appraisal or compliance inspection of dwelling units erected or to be erected thereon which are or will be purchased by veterans with guaranteed, insured or direct loans.
- (2) Owning an interest in, being employed by, or operating an architectural, engineering, or land planning firm which renders services to builders or sponsors and later accepting an assignment from VA to appraise or inspect dwelling units built or to be built by a particular builder or sponsor for whom architectural, engineering, or land planning services have been or are being rendered by the firm in which the fee appraiser or compliance inspector has employment or an interest.
- (3) Appraising or inspecting dwelling units on VA assignments and later accepting exclusive selling rights for the homes.
- (4) Appraising or inspecting properties for builders or sponsors who are purchasing hazard insurance or title services with respect to those properties from a company in which the fee appraiser or compliance inspector has an interest.
- (5) Owning an interest in a project development by a builder and accepting VA assignments in another VA regional area in respect to dwelling units which the same builder owns, is building, or is handling as real estate broker.
- (6) Having an interest in or representing building supply firms and accepting VA assignments on dwelling units built or to be built by builders or sponsors who deal extensively with such supply firms.
- (7) Accepting a VA assignment to appraise a property if his or her fee is contingent upon supporting a pre-determined conclusion.

The foregoing examples do not include all possible situations where the private interests or pursuits of fee appraisers and compliance inspectors would contravene VA standards. The above specific examples are supplied only to illustrate some of the activities prohibited by the standards.