

Montgomery County Appraisal Review Board

SEEKS APPLICANTS FOR SERVICE IN 2021



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Applications for Montgomery County Appraisal Review Board members (ARB) are now being accepted.

The ARB was created by the Texas Legislature to provide an independent judicial review of property owner protests of values by the Montgomery Central Appraisal District (MCAD). ARB members are appointed by the Administrative District Judge of Montgomery County.

Service on the ARB would begin in January 2021. Montgomery County citizens interested in the ARB service should submit a completed application. While there is an immediate need for applicants, completed applications are accepted year round to fulfill any potential vacancies.

Applications can be found on MCAD's website www.mcad-tx.org

or

requested by contacting MCAD's offices.

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Who is the ARB?

The ARB is a citizen board of Montgomery County residents that hear property owner protests that cannot be resolved administratively by MCAD staff.

ARB members are not employees of the appraisal district and are not eligible for employee benefits by virtue of their review board service. ARB members are compensated per diem when conducting hearings and attending ARB meetings.

Montgomery County Appraisal Review Board Requirements for Service

Candidates for the ARB must be current residents of Montgomery County, having resided in the county for at least two years; must be up to date on property tax payments for property in Texas or show the tax is being paid under an installment agreement; and must not have served all or part of three previous terms as an ARB member. Persons who fall into any of the following categories are **not eligible** to serve:

An individual currently employed by the State Comptroller of Public Accounts, or who is a member of the governing body, an officer, or a full- or part-time employee of a county, city, school district, community college district, MUD, or any other entity supported by local property taxes. Former governing body members, or officers of a taxing unit served by MCAD, are ineligible for four full years from the date they ceased to serve in that capacity.

Anyone who personally, or whose spouse personally, has a contract with local government or an appraisal district. The same restriction applies if the person, or his or her spouse, owns a 10 percent or greater interest in a business which contracts with a local government or appraisal district.

Persons who have appeared before the ARB for compensation as a tax consultant, accountant, appraiser, or representative of a property owner less than two years before the date the person is appointed.

A person who has served all or part of three previous terms as a board member or auxiliary board member on the ARB.

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Any individual who has ever been employed by MCAD or has ever served as a member of the district's board of directors.

Persons who have served as a member of the governing body or officer of a taxing unit in Montgomery County until four years after resigning that position.

Applicants who are presently under indictment or have previously been convicted of a felony or a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude.

Other requirements and restrictions on service are available on the Application for ARB Appointment.

Montgomery County Appraisal Review Board Application Process

ARB members are appointed by the Administrative District Judge of Montgomery County.

After your application is received, a background investigation will be conducted.

If an interview is deemed necessary by the Montgomery County Administrative District Judge, you will be contacted to schedule an appointment.

*******IMPORTANT NOTICE*******

It is important that you understand this is a full-time commitment during the late spring, summer, and fall months. You must be available for service each weekday and some Saturdays from Mid-May through August to accommodate property owners protesting their property values. Hearings are held year round. Although you will not have hearings scheduled every day, ARB members must be available to serve when called. Vacations and other employment commitments are not considered valid reasons to be absent.

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If you are confident you can meet the required schedule, possess the qualifications noted here and on the application, and believe you can reach decisions based solely on the evidence before you in each hearing, please consider submitting an application.

Your interest in this important civic duty is appreciated. If we can provide you with application information, please call

936-756-3354.