

*Linda Barrett, CRB*

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Dan Andrews, Director of Membership  
Realtor Association of Sarasota and Manatee  
2320 Cattleman Road  
Sarasota, FL 34232

Dan,

I have contacted Hillsdale County, Jackson County, Lenawee County Boards and the State of Michigan Association of Realtors in an attempt to verify my 13 years of membership as a Realtor, prior to moving to Sarasota in 1985. The local Michigan Boards do not have records dating back to the 1970's and early 1980's and the State Association of Realtors only maintains records back to 1994. I have attached emails from the corresponding local Michigan Boards stating that the records are no longer available.

1973 -1978 Sales Associate/Broker, Collins Real Estate, Hudson, Michigan (Lenawee County Board of Realtors), as a real estate sales associate and then broker.

1978 -1982 Broker, HomeLand Real Estate, Jerome, Michigan (Hillsdale County Board of Realtors)

1982-1985 Broker Mid-Michigan Real Estate, Jackson, Michigan (Jackson County Board of Realtors)

1985 – Present Sarasota Board of Realtors, Sarasota, FL.

I have also attached a signed statement from Barbara Donaldson. Barbara was a Sales Associate in the Collins Real Estate office in Hudson, MI, when I began in 1973. From 1973 until I moved to Florida in 1985, Barbara and I worked in the local areas and we were always members of the local Board(s) of Realtors.

Let me know if there is anything else that you need. Thank you so much for your consideration for Realtor Emeritus status.



Linda Barrett, CRB

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**From:** Jenni Shephard-Moore [mailto:jshephard@lcarlive.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 25, 2015 9:49 AM  
**To:** 'LB'  
**Subject:** RE: Linda Barrett

Hi Linda,

Unfortunately, we do not archive records prior to 1980, so I was unable to locate your membership application from the 1970's.

Hopefully you are able to find another source for proof of membership.

Best Wishes,

**Jenni L. Shephard-Moore, RCE**  
Executive Vice President  
Lenawee County Association of REALTORS®  
P.O. Box 425  
Adrian, MI 49221  
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*Lenawee 1973-1978*

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**From:** Hillsdale County Board of REALTORS <hcboard@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, February 20, 2015 1:58 PM  
**To:** bg1664@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Member Records for Hillsdale

Dear Linda,

Hillsdale County does not have records that go back 40 years on membership. All membership forms would have been sent to the Michigan Association of REALTORS® and they would have done the record keeping at that time. When the National REALTOR® Database System was placed online in the late 90s, Michigan Association of REALTORS® was the point of entry for membership data from Hillsdale County.

Sorry I couldn't be of more help.

Sincerely,

Shirley Smith, Executive Officer  
Hillsdale County Board of REALTORS®

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**From:** Melissa Tee <melissa@jacksonmihomes.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 25, 2015 2:29 PM  
**To:** bg1664@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Membership Verification

Linda,

Thank you for your request for proof of membership in the Jackson Board of REALTORS back in the 1970's-1980's. Unfortunately, our Board records do not go back that far. It was nice speaking with you. Please let me know if you need anything else.

Melissa M. Tee, RCE, e-PRO  
Executive Vice President  
Jackson Area Association of REALTORS®  
Jackson Multiple Listing Service, Inc.  
505 S. Jackson Street  
Jackson, MI 49203  
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I, Barbara Donaldson, acknowledge that:

*I was a Sales Associate with Collins Real Estate in Hudson, Michigan when Linda Barrett joined the company as a Sales Associate in 1973. All sales associates and brokers were members of the Lenawee County Board of Realtors during this time.*

*I knew Linda when we worked together at Collins Real Estate and when Linda was broker for HomeLand Real Estate and then Mid-Michigan Real Estate. From 1973 to 1985 we were both active in real estate sales and management and belonged to our local Board of Realtors. Linda moved to Florida in 1985.*

Signed:

Dated:

2/24/15

Barbara Donaldson

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Witnessed:

Dated: 2.24.15

Lorelei Michaels  
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