

December 13, 2022

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Via electronic submission: <u>www.Regulations.gov</u>

Re: Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, Wage and Hour Division; Employee or Independent Contractor Classification Under the Fair Labor Standards Act; RIN 1235-AA43.

Dear Ms. Looman:

On behalf of the more than 1.5 million members of the National Association of REALTORS® (NAR) who primarily are classified as independent contractors, I submit the following comments in response to the Department of Labor's proposed rule interpreting "Employee or Independent Contractor Classification Under the Fair Labor Standards Act" (FLSA). With increased litigation challenging worker classification, and with businesses seeking greater flexibility in order to modernize and operate their businesses, an authoritative position by the Department on worker classification is necessary. Such an interpretation should provide clarity and consistency, to reduce confusion for workers and employers by mirroring existing federal and state laws that have a uniform position on classification within a particular industry.

The National Association of REALTORS® is America's largest trade association, including NAR's five commercial real estate institutes and its societies and councils. REALTORS® are involved in all aspects of the residential and commercial real estate industries and belong to one or more of some 1,200 local associations or boards, and 54 state and territory associations of REALTORS®. NAR represents a wide variety of housing industry professionals, including approximately 25,000 licensed and certified appraisers, committed to the development and preservation of the nation's housing stock, along with its availability to the widest range of potential homebuyers. Approximately 87 percent of members are classified as independent contractors, with a majority being affiliated with an independent real estate company.

Making up nearly 20 percent of the U.S. economy, the housing industry and specifically the real estate professionals that serve buyers and sellers are vital to promoting homeownership that is the foundational bridge to financial security for consumers. With their independent contractor classification, real estate professionals can continue to provide excellent service to consumers, manage the multifaceted sales transaction, and maintain stability in the housing market. To this end, NAR supports reasonable and consistent interpretations of federal law, so that residential, commercial, and industrial development can proceed without jeopardizing the livelihoods of the independent contractor workforce that supports these transactions and without

unreasonable regulatory encumbrances that could cause legal uncertainty. With the current market challenges of low inventory, rising prices, and varying interest rates, the federal government must act to support consumers' seeking the American Dream and the broad economic growth that stems from achieving that dream.

Most real estate professionals are small business owners who ensure buyers and sellers experience the greatest transparency, choice, and efficiency for one of the biggest financial transactions of their lives. The final rule should mirror this - providing transparency and choice for the ability of a worker to be classified as an independent contractor to ensure all industries are maintaining efficiency and supporting the consumers they serve. In order to accomplish this and broadly provide a wide variety of businesses with confidence in hiring and classifying workers, including in the real estate industry, we suggest the following changes to the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking outlined below.

1. Maintain Consistency with Industry Specific Federal and State Laws and Regulations

NAR supports the protection of, and efforts to further secure, the right of real estate salespeople to work as independent contractors and for brokers to choose to classify real estate salespeople as independent contractors. Being classified as an independent contractor is why many individuals are attracted to the real estate sales industry – it empowers entrepreneurship, maximizes flexibility, and promotes autonomy. On average, REALTORS® have eight years of experience in the real estate industry and are remaining within real estate as a career choice for a longer duration. The ability to be classified as an independent contractor is a primary reason the real estate profession is so appealing and preserving that structure is integral to the functioning of the housing market.

This is why, since 1982, the *U.S. Internal Revenue Code* (IRC), has long recognized the treatment of "qualified real estate agents" as non-employees and why the Department of Labor should incorporate this provision into the final rule. The IRC provision specifically provides for the ability to classify real estate professionals as independent contractors using three simple and clear factors for all purposes of the Code. According to the IRC, real estate agents are "statutory nonemployees" if three factors are met. First, the real estate agent must be licensed. Second, substantially all payments for the licensed real estate agent's services must be directly related to their sales or other output rather than based on number of hours worked. Lastly, the real estate agent's services must be performed pursuant to an agreement that states the real estate agent will not be treated as an employee for federal tax purposes.

While satisfaction of the aforementioned IRC test relates only to the federal tax treatment of qualified real estate agents, it demonstrates the federal government's long-standing recognition of the unique nature of the real estate industry and, as such, the need to treat it differently than other industries. Similarly, the *Affordable Care Act's* "Shared Responsibility for Employers" provision recognizes that "qualified real estate agents" are statutory nonemployees under the IRC and thus are also not counted as employees for purposes of the provision that requires certain employers to provide

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¹ 26 U.S.C. §3508.

health care coverage to full-time employees.²Thus, referencing 26 U.S.C. §3508 within the final rule would specifically define qualified real estate agents as independent contractors, mirroring other federal laws, and eliminating any uncertainty posed by differing definitions or analyses.³

Incorporating the IRC position in the final rule would also further validate the many state laws currently in place that also expressly state real estate professionals' status as independent contractors. As shown in Appendix A, there are a number of state statutes that follow the federal lead and address how real estate salespersons are classified as independent contractors. While these state statutes range from workers' compensation laws to real estate specific statutes, each are explicit in qualifying a licensed real estate agent (or salesperson or licensee) as an independent contractor based on certain criteria and/or are expressly permitting the ability of a real estate broker to treat their real estate sales agents as independent contractors.

For example, following the California Supreme Court decision in *Dynamex v. Superior Court*, ⁴ applying the "ABC test" statewide, the state legislature enacted laws exempting occupations, including for real estate licensees, recognizing the unworkable nature of such a test and the importance of maintaining choice in independent contractor classification. ⁵ With nearly 500,000 real estate practitioners working in this state alone, adoption of a more stringent federal classification test would significantly disrupt the current certainty that exists under state law.

In Michigan, there is also an existing real estate statute defining an "independent contractor relationship" as a relationship between a real estate broker and an associate broker or real estate salesperson where there is both (1) a written agreement between the parties stating that the associate broker or real estate salesperson is not considered an employee for federal and state income tax purposes and (2) not less than 75 percent of the annual compensation paid by the broker to the associate broker or real estate salesperson is from commissions from the sale of real estate. In this case, the employment relationship is defined along with the financial structure of that relationship.

These examples, and numerous others outlined in Appendix A, illustrate the longstanding protections excluding real estate professionals' classification as employees. The final rule must not erode any of these existing protections enacted at the federal or state level, but more importantly, should recognize and actually incorporate this industry standard, which is of critical importance to real estate practitioners supporting consumers all over the country.

Lastly, the FLSA's exemption for outside sales employees, would also likely apply to real estate sales professionals who are obtaining contracts for services paid by clients or customers, where those services are provided away from the employer's place of business.⁷ While the Department included numerous references to Fact Sheet #13:

² 26 C.F.R. §54.4980H-1(a)(15).

³ Similarly, as noted in a joint comment letter with the Direct Sellers Association, we advocate for reference of all workers described in 26 U.S.C. §3508 as non-employees.

⁴ 4 Cal. 5th 903 (2018).

⁵ California Labor Code 2778(c), 2779-2784.

⁶ Mich. Comp. Laws Ann. §339.2501 (West).

⁷ 29 C.F.R. Part 451(13)(a)(1).

"Employment Relationship Under the Fair Labor Standards Act," incorporating recognition of Fact Sheet #17A: "Exemption for Executive, Administrative, Professional, Computer & Outside Sales Employees Under the Fair Labor Standards Act," would also provide useful clarity and consistency to reduce worker misclassification.

2. Ensure the Economic Reality Test Factors Better Reflect Industry Practices

The Department of Labor's proposed rule has adopted the "economic realities" test to determine the standard of whether a worker is an employee, or an independent contractor based on whether the worker is economically dependent on the employer for work or is in business for themselves. To evaluate the economic dependence, the proposed rule conducts a "totality-of-the-circumstances" analysis, incorporating six specific factors, which when applied to the work of a real estate professional, should result in the independent contractor classification. However, within the proposed rule, NAR recommends several critical adjustments to those factors to make the worker classification analysis more precise.

Degree of permanence of the work relationship.

As discussed in further detail below, based on real estate laws, licensed real estate salespersons must practice under a broker – only one broker at a time – which means a "non-exclusive" relationship is not feasible. Individual agents are selecting the sales listing and clients to work for, determining their marketing and services to provide, and when those service occur, all while maintaining the broker affiliation throughout each transaction. This broker-agent relationship is substantiated under a written contract, which means real estate salespersons are not changing broker affiliations with each transaction, rather the relationship is defined within that agreed upon contract. As outlined in state laws, this structure ensures consumer protections are in place through the brokers' statutorily directed supervision over the agents.

Nature and degree of control.

A primary issue for the real estate industry in the context of worker classification concerns the nature and degree of control factor of the economic realities test. The real estate industry is unique in that many state real estate statutes require brokers to exercise a certain degree of supervision over their agents. Thus, a real estate statute may sometimes conflict with an agents' ability to control key aspects of their work. The proposed rule states that "[c]ontrol implemented by the employer for purposes of complying with legal obligations, safety standards, or contractual or customer service standards, may be indicative of control." While there may be some degree of control over an individuals' work within broker-agent relationship as required by state law, the manner in which that work is completed – at the individuals' broad discretion, for example – is a critical distinction that should not weigh in favor of classification as an employee.

Real estate agents are setting their own schedule, choosing their workload and clients, exercising business judgement, and conducting transactions at their own pace, subject only to those moderate supervisory protocols imposed on their broker by a state statute. Such supervision may include details on licensure requirements, allocation of earned fees, and management of incurred business expenses, but do not dictate key aspects of the work itself - namely, the where, when, and how

much.8 Compensation for real estate practitioners is generally based on commission for a specific sale of a property, which is set by the market and always negotiable. Consumers choose who they work with and what they pay as commission to a real estate professional for a successful real estate transaction. This structure ensures an agents' ability to be compensated - that their economic dependence - is based on their individual efforts and output, while being subject to broker supervision pursuant to state law. Such supervisory controls necessary to ensure statutory compliance are qualitatively different than the idea of control that defines an employment relationship - where an employee produces the work in the manner directed and overseen by the employer. The success of a real estate professional is largely dependent on decisions within their own control, including their production output, illustrating their clear economic independence.

In addition, independent contractor agreements are frequently used to outline the nature of the relationship and a broker's legal obligations required to ensure statutory compliance, while clearly defining the relationship within the independent contractor context. It is also important to note that many state real estate statutes expressly permit a real estate broker to treat their real estate agents as independent contractors, while simultaneously exercising their mandatory supervisory duties under the statute. (See Appendix A.) Similarly, courts have held that real estate license laws control over more general statutory language analyzing independent contractor status, even where some degree of supervision exists within that relationship.9 The proposed rule could be further clarified to specifically recognize these state statutory and regulatory provisions, to ensure such compliance does not constitute control for purposes of the test.

Extent to which the work performed is an integral part of the employer's business.

As mentioned above, the extent to which the work is performed as an integral part of the employer's business within the real estate industry context, is mandated by state laws and regulations. Real estate licensees demonstrate initiative, managerial expertise, business acumen, and customer service skills in order to be successful and close a real estate transaction, which is integral to the function of the industry. Their success depends on their own individual judgement and foresight within this industry under the supervision of a broker as required by state law. The proposed rule should recognize such industry nuances, understanding that compliance with state statutory and regulatory provisions does not conflict with the ability to work as an independent contractor under the test.

We welcome the Department's efforts to provide more certainty to a business' ability to classify its workers as independent contractors. With increasing litigation on this issue, the Department's final rule should support small businesses and associations seeking legal clarification. For rising gig economy jobs and freelance work, which often support real estate sales transactions (photographers, website developers, etc.), having a multifaceted test that encourages innovative arrangements while incorporating industry standards would provide needed clarity for parties. In many cases, these workers and small businesses lack the resources to advocate for their unique circumstances as independent contractors, which makes

⁸ See Appendix A.

⁹ E.g. Monell et al. v. Boston Pads, 471 Mass. 566 (2015).

it incredibly important for the Department to adequately delineate the manner for analyzing a worker's economic dependence. As stated, if the "proposed rulemaking is not intended to disrupt the business of independent contractors who are, as a matter of economic reality, in business for themselves," these changes would provide necessary clarification within the final rule.

Conclusion

The Department recognizes the integral work provided by independent contractors in the economy and should ensure the final rule promotes workers' ability to create opportunities for themselves as entrepreneurs. An authoritative interpretation that recognizes and incorporates the uniqueness of different industries will offer needed clarity and reduce uncertainty for the real estate industry and others. With spending in the housing market supporting our country's economic recovery, it is very critical that the Department works to minimize disruption this industry. Any shifts in the way the real estate industry has historically done business would drastically impact the overall services provided to consumers and the stability of the housing market. We appreciate the Department's consideration of NAR's suggested changes before the rule is made final. If you have any questions, please contact me, or Christie DeSanctis, Director of Business and Conventional Finance Policy, at 202-383-1102 or CDeSanctis@NAR.REALTOR.

Sincerely,

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2023 President, National Association of REALTORS®

APPENDIX A

Summary Table

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Act Containing Statutory Carve-Out for Real Estate Professionals	
Workers' Compensation	Alabama Alaska Arizona
	Arkansas Colorado
	Connecticut (Through Real Estate Statute) Delaware
	District of Columbia Florida
	Georgia Hawaii Idaho
	Illinois Indiana Iowa
	Kansas Louisiana Maine
	Maryland
	Massachusetts Michigan
	Missouri Montana
	New Hampshire New Mexico
	New York Oklahoma
	Pennsylvania Rhode Island
	South Carolina Utah
	Vermont Virginia
	Wisconsin

Employment Security/Unemployment Insurance	Alaska California Delaware
Employment Security/Onemployment insurance	
	Colorado Georgia Hawaii
	Idaho
	Illinois
	Iowa Kansas Louisiana
	Massachusetts Michigan
	Minnesota Missouri Montana
	Nevada Nebraska New
	Jersey New York Oklahoma
	Oregon Rhode Island
	South Carolina Tennessee
	Utah
	Virginia
	Wyoming
Labor: Other/General	Hawaii – Health Care/Prepaid Health Care Act [Montana –
Labor. Other/General	
	Minimum Wage – limited reach.] North Dakota – Social
	Security
	South Carolina – Employment and Workforce – General exclusion Texas –
	Labor Code - General exclusion
	Washington – Minimum Wage
	Wisconsin – Income tax withholding AND Minimum wage
Specific presumption of independent contractor relationship in	Indiana Louisiana
	Utah
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Real Estate Statute language allows for either IC or Employee	Alabama Alaska Arkansas
relationship while specifically maintaining broker oversight	California Connecticut
duties	Florida (Intent of parties governs) Georgia (Intent of
	parties governs) Hawaii
	Illinois (Written agreement governs) Kansas
	Maryland Massachusetts
	Michigan Missouri Montana
	Nevada
	New York
	Ohio
	Oklahoma Oregon Rhode
	Island South Dakota Virginia
	Washington (Presumes IC status unless written agreement provides for employee status. Substantially all
	compensation must be related to real estate brokerage services, as defined by real estate license law statute.)
General reference to federal tax treatment in labor laws	Kentucky [Has tax carve-out generally for individuals classified as "independent contractors" by federal tax law,
	but no provisions specific to real estate broker/salesperson relationship in legislation]
States with NO found statutory carve-outs for broker/salesperson	Mississippi
relationship as Independent contractor	
	West Virginia

NOTE: The below is a general sampling of various state laws addressing the independent contractor/employee relationship between brokers and salespeople, and should not be read as a comprehensive analysis of the states' approaches to this topic.

State/Entity	Statute Type	Statute	Relevant statutory content
	Tax	26 U.S.C. § 3508 United States Code	(a) <u>General rule</u> For purposes of this title, in the case of services performed as a qualified real estate agent or as a direct seller
		Annotated Title 26. Internal Revenue Code Subtitle C. Employment Taxes	(1) the individual performing such services shall not be treated as an employee, and (2) the person for whom such services are performed shall not be treated as an employer. (b) <u>Definitions</u> For purposes of this section
Federal – Internal		Chapter 25. General Provisions Relating to Employment Taxes	(1) Qualified real estate agentThe term "qualified real estate agent" means any individual who is a sales person if
Revenue		§ 3508. Treatment of real estate agents	(A) such individual is a licensed real estate agent,
		and direct sellers	(B) substantially all of the remuneration (whether or not paid in cash) for the services performed by such individual as a real estate agent is directly related to sales or other output (including the performance of services) rather than to the number of hours worked, and (C) the services performed by the individual are performed pursuant to a written contract between such
			individual and the person for whom the services are performed and such contract provides that the individual will not be treated as an employee with respect to such services for Federal tax
			purposes.
	Workers' Compensation	ALA. CODE § 25-5-50 (West)	§ 25-5-50 Applicability; exemptions;
	Compensation	Title 25 – Industrial Relations and Labor	
Alabama		Chapter 5 – Workers' Comp. Article 3 – Elective Compensation under Contract of Employment	(h) A licensed real estate agent operating under a licensed broker shall not be considered an employee for the purposes of this chapter.
	Real Estate Statute	ALA. CODE §34-27-2 (West)	§ 34-27-2 Definitions; exemptions from chapter.
		Title 34 – Professions and Businesses Chapter 27 – Real	(a) For purposes of Articles 1 and 2 of this chapter, the following terms shall have the respective meanings ascribed by this section:
		Estate Brokers Article 1 – General Provisions	(6) Engage. Contractual relationships between a qualifying broker and an associate broker or salesperson licensed
			under him or her whether the relationship is employer-employee, independent contractor, or otherwise.
	Workers'	ALASKA STAT. ANN. § 23.30.230 (West)	(a) The following persons are not covered by this chapter:
Alaska	Compensation	Title 23. Labor and Workers'	
		Compensation Chapter 30. Alaska	(10) a person working as a qualified real estate licensee who performs services under a written
		Workers' Compensation	contract that provides that the person will not be treated as an employee for federal income tax
		Act	or workers' compensation
		Article 6. General Provisions § 23.30.230(a)(10) Persons not covered	purposes; in this paragraph, "qualified real estate licensee" means a person who is required to be licensed under
			AS 08.88.161 and whose payment for services is directly related to sales or other output rather than
			the number of hours worked

	Real Estate Statute	ALASKA STAT. ANN. § 08.88.910 (West)	The provisions of this chapter that apply to employment relationships and employees also apply to
		Title 8. Business and Professions	contracting relationships and independent contractors.
		Chapter 88 Real Estate Brokers and	
		Other Licensees Article 6. General Provisions	
		§ 08.88.910. Application to Independent	
		contractors	
	Labor – Other/General:	ALASKA STAT. § 23.20.526	(a) In this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires, "employment" does not include
	Employment Security	Title 23. Labor and Workers'	(a) In this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires, employment abes not include
	Employment security	Compensation Chapter 20. Alaska	" (8) service performed by an insurance agent, insurance solicitor, real estate broker, real estate
		Employment Security Act	salesperson, or securities salesperson to the extent the person is compensated by commission,
		Article 9. General Provisions	unless the service is required to be covered under the Federal Unemployment Tax Act, as amended
		§ 23.20.526. Exclusions from definition of	
		"employment"	
	Employment Security	ARIZ. REV. STAT. § 23-617(14)	"Exempt employment" means employment not considered in determining whether an employing
		Employment Security/Definitions/	unit constitutes an "employer" under this chapter and includes:
		Exempt Employment; Definition	
			14. Service performed by an individual for an employing unit as a licensed real estate broker or a
		AND	
		ARIZ REV STAT § 23-613.01	
		employment	
			provisions of § 23-750
Arizona			AND
			A.D.C. S.27 G17 01 exempts "An individual subject to the direction rule or central or subject to the
	Workers'	ARIZ. REV. STAT. § 23-910	The provisions of this chapter do not apply to a person who performs the services of a licensee as
	Compensation Act	Exemption for licensees	defined in section 32-2101 (Real Estate Department) under the following conditions:
			1. Substantially all of the remunerations whether or not paid in cash for services performed by an
			individual as a real estate licensee are directly related to sales or other output including the
			performance of services rather than the number of hours worked.
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			As used in this chapter:
	Compensation		(OVD) The term "employee" shall not include any individual who is both a licenses as defined in \$17.
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Aironisas		§ 11-9-102: Labor and Industrial Relations/Workers'	Internal Revenue Code of 1986, including all regulations thereunder.
AIRGISGS		Industrial Relations/Workers' Comp/General	(11) "Employment" means:
Arizona		ARIZ.REV. STAT. § 23-910 Exemption for licensees 2018 ARK. CODE ANN. § 11-9-102 (West) Title 11 – Labor and Industrial Relations Chapter 9 – Workers' Compensation Subchapter 1 – General Provisions	A.R.S. § 23-613.01 exempts "An individual subject to the direction, rule or control or subject to right of direction, rule or control of an employing unit solely because of a provision of law regulating the organization, trade or business of the employing unit." The provisions of this chapter do not apply to a person who performs the services of a license defined in section 32-2101 (Real Estate Department) under the following conditions: 1. Substantially all of the remunerations whether or not paid in cash for services performed be individual as a real estate licensee are directly related to sales or other output including the performance of services rather than the number of hours worked. 2. The services performed by the licensee are performed pursuant to a written contract betwee the licensee and the person for whom the services are performed and such contract provide the licensee will not be treated as an employee with respect to such services for federal tax purposes and for the purposes of this chapter. As used in this chapter: (9)(B) The term "employee" shall not include any individual who is both a licensee as defined 42-103(7) and a qualified real estate agent as that term is defined in section 3508(b)(1) of the

			(A) Every employment in the state in which three (3) or more employees are regularly employed by the same employer in the course of business except:
			(viii) Any individual who is both a licensee as defined in § 17-42-103(7) and a qualified real estate agent as that term is defined in section 3508(b)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, including all regulations thereunder;
	Real Estate Statute	ARK. CODE ANN. § 17-42-103 (West) Title 17. Professions, Occupations, and Businesses Subtitle 2. Nonmedical Professions (Chapters 10 to 79) Chapter 42. Real Estate License Law Subchapter 1. Real Estate License Law- General Provisions § 17-42-103. Definitions	As used in this chapter: (I)(A) "Associate broker" means an individual who has a broker's license and who is employed by a principal broker, or is associated with a principal broker as an independent contractor, and who participates in any activity described in subdivision (9) of this section while under the supervision of a principal broker or executive broker. (6)(A) "Executive broker" means an individual who: (i) Has a broker's license; (ii) Is employed by a principal broker or associated with a principal broker as an independent contractor;
			(II) "Salesperson" means an individual who: (A) Has a salesperson's license; (B) Is employed by a principal broker or is associated with a principal broker as an independent contractor;
California	Real Estate Statute	CAL. BUS. & PROF. CODE § 10032 (West) Division 4. Real Estate Chapter 1. General provisions § 10032	(b) A real estate broker and a real estate salesperson licensed under that broker may contract between themselves as independent contractors or as employer and employee, for purposes of their legal relationship with and obligations to each other. Characterization of a relationship as either "employer and employee" or "independent contractor" for statutory purposes, including, but not limited to, withholding taxes on wages and for purposes of unemployment compensation, shall be governed by Section 650 and Sections 13000 to 13054, inclusive, of the Unemployment Insurance Code. For purposes of workers' compensation the characterization of
	Labor – Other/General: Unemployment Insurance	CAL. UNEMP. INS. CODE § 650 (West) Division 1. Unemployment and Disability Compensation Part 1 – Unemployment Compensation Chapter 3 – Scope or coverage Article 2 Excluded Services § 650	the relationship shall be governed by Section 3200, and following, of the Labor Code. § 650. Real estate, mineral, oil and gas, or cemetery brokers, or real estate, cemetery, or direct salespersons; rebuttable presumption: "Employment" does not include services performed as a real estate, mineral, oil and gas, or cemetery broker or as a real estate, cemetery or direct sales salesperson, or a yacht broker or salesman, by an individual if all of the following conditions are met: [(a) the individual is licensed (b) substantially all of the remuneration for services performed is directly related or sales or other output (c) services performed are pursuant to a written contract and the contract provides that the individual will not be treated as an employee.]

	Workers'	Colo. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 8-40-301 (West)	(1) "Employee" excludes any person employed by a passenger tramway area operator, as defined
	Compensation	Title 8. Labor and Industry	in section 25-5-702(1), C.R.S., or other employer, while participating in recreational activity, who at
		Labor IIWorkers' Compensation	such time is relieved of and is not performing any duties of employment, regardless of whether
		and Related Provisions	such person is utilizing, by discount or otherwise, a pass, ticket, license, permit, or other device as
		Workers' Compensation	an emolument of employment.
		Article 40. General	(2) "Employee" excludes any person who is a licensed real estate sales agent or a licensed real
Colorado		Provisions Part 3. Scope	estate broker associated with another real estate broker if:
		and Applicability	(a) Substantially all of the sales agent's or associated broker's remuneration from real estate
		§ 8-40-301. Scope of term "employee"	brokerage is derived from real estate commissions; and
			(b) The services of the sales agent or associated broker are performed under a written contract
			specifying that the sales agent or associated broker is an independent contractor; and
			(c) Such contract provides that the sales agent or associated broker shall not be treated as an employee for federal
			income tax purposes.
	Labor – Other/General	COLO. REV. STAT. ANN. § 8-70-136 (West)	§ 8-70-136. Employment does not includebrokers
			(1) "Employment" does not include services performed by an individual as a licensed real estate
			broker
		§ 8-70-136: Labor and	
		Industry/Employment	
		Security/General Provisions/	
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	Workers' Compensation		Real Estate carve-out for Workers' Comp in Real Estate Statute - see below
	Compensation		

	Real Estate Statute	CONN. GEN. STAT. ANN. § 20-311: § 20-	§ 20-311. Definitions:
	rical Estate Statute	311(2).	520 511 Belli Illion 15.
		Volume 7	(2) "Real estate salesperson" or "salesperson" means a person affiliated with any real estate broker
		Title 20 – Professional and Occupational	as an independent contractor or employed by a real estate broker
		Licensing, Certification, Title Protection	
		and Registration.	AND
		Chapter 392 – Real Estate Brokers and	
		Salespersons	§ 20-312(b). Licensed real estate broker or real estate salesperson not deemed "employee" under
		§311 – Definitions	section 31-275. A licensed real estate broker or real estate salesperson shall not be considered an employee under the provisions of section 31-275 [Workers' Compensation Act] if substantially all
			of the remuneration for the services performed by such broker or salesperson, whether paid in
Connecticut		AND	cash or otherwise, is directly related to sales or other output rather than to the number of hours
			worked, and such services are performed by the broker or salesperson pursuant to a written
		CONN. GEN. STAT ANN. § 20-312(b):	contract that contains the following provisions:
		Volume 7	(1) The broker or salesperson, for purposes of workers' compensation, is engaged as an
		Title 20 – Professional and Occupational	independent contractor associated with the person for whom services are performed;
		Licensing, Certification, Title Protection	(2) The broker or salesperson shall be paid a commission based on his gross sales, if any, without
		and Registration.	deduction for taxes, which commission shall be directly related to sales or other output;
		Chapter 392 – Real Estate Brokers and	(3) The broker or salesperson shall not receive any remuneration related to the number of hours
		Salespersons	worked and shall not be treated as an employee with respect to such services for purposes of workers' compensation:
		§312(b) – Licensed real estate broker or	(4) The broker or salesperson shall be permitted to work any hours he chooses;
		real estate salesperson not deemed	(5) The broker or salesperson shall be permitted to work out of his own home or the office of the
		"employee"	person for whom services are performed;
			(6) The broker or salesperson shall be free to engage in outside employment;
			(7) The person for whom the services are performed may provide office facilities and supplies for
			the use of the broker or salesperson, but the broker or salesperson shall otherwise pay his own expenses, including, but not limited to, automobile, travel and entertainment expenses; and
			(8) The contract may be terminated by either party at any time upon notice given to the other.
	Workers'	Del. Code Ann. tit. 19, § 2316 (West)	§ 2316. Licensed real estate salespersons and licensed associate real estate brokers who are
	Compensation	Title 19. Labor	independent contractors.
		Part II. Workers' Compensation	(a) This chapter shall not apply to licensed real estate salespersons or licensed associate real estate
		Chapter 23. Workers'	brokers who are affiliated with a licensed real estate broker under a written contract pursuant to
		Compensation Subchapter I.	which they are remunerated on a commission only basis and are designated as independent
		General Provisions	contractors and who qualify as independent contractors for federal tax purposes, except that a
			licensed real estate broker with whom they have such contracts shall have the right to elect to
Delaware			carry insurance to insure the payment of workers' compensation to them or their dependents for
			part or all of the period of such affiliation.
		DEL CODE ANN 414 30 57700 (M/- 1)	(11) "Franklas was ant" daga not inglis da
	Labor – Other/General:	DEL. CODE ANN. tit. 19, § 3302 (West) Title 19. Labor	(11) "Employment" does not include: (H) Service performed by an individual for an employer as an insurance agent or real estate agent,
	Unemployment Compensation	Part III. Unemployment	or as an insurance solicitor or real estate solicitor, if all such service performed by such individual for
	Compensation	Compensation Chapter 33.	such employer is performed for remuneration solely by way of commissions.
		Unemployment Compensation	such employer is performed for remaineration solely by way of commissions.
		Subchapter I. General Provisions	 (N) Service performed as a direct seller as defined in § 3508 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 [26
		Subchapter I. General Frovisions	U.S.C. § 3508], as amended.
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District of Columbi a	Workers' Compensation	D.C. CODE § 32-1501(9) (West) Formerly cited as DC ST 1981 § 36-301 Division V. Local Business Affairs Title 32. Labor. Chapter 15. Workers' Compensation. § 32-1501. Definitions.	 (9) "Employee" includes every person, including a minor, in the service of another under any contract of hire or apprenticeship, written or implied, in the District of Columbia, except (F) Any person who is a licensed real estate salesperson, or a licensed real estate broker associated with a real estate broker, if: (i) Substantially all of the salesperson's or associated broker's remuneration is derived from real estate commissions; (ii) The services of the salesperson or associated broker are performed under a written contract specifying that the salesperson or associated broker is an independent contractor; and (iii) Such contract includes a provision that the salesperson or associated broker will not be treated as an employee for federal income tax purposes.
	Workers' Compensation	FLA. STAT. ANN. § 440.02(15)(d) (West) Labor/Workers' Comp/Definitions	(15)(d) "Employee" does not include:2. A real estate licensee, if that person agrees, in writing, to perform for remuneration solely by way of commission
Florida	Unemployment Compensation	FLA. STAT. ANN. § 443.1216 (West) Reemployment Assistance	Employment, as defined in s. 443.036, is subject to this chapter under the following conditions: (13) The following are exempt from coverage under this chapter: (n) Service performed by an individual for a person as a real estate salesperson or agent, if all of the service performed by the individual for that person is performed for remuneration solely by way of commission.
	Real Estate Statute	FLA. STAT. ANN. § 475.01 (West) Title XXXII. Regulation of Professions and Occupations (Chapters 454-493) Chapter 475. Real Estate Brokers, Sales Associates, Schools, and Appraisers Part I. Real Estate Brokers, Sales Associates, and Schools 475.01. Definitions	(2) The terms "employ," "employment," "employer," and "employee," when used in this chapter and in rules adopted pursuant thereto to describe the relationship between a broker and a sales associate, include an independent contractor relationship when such relationship is intended by and established between a broker and a sales associate. The existence of such relationship shall not relieve either the broker or the sales associate of her or his duties, obligations, or responsibilities under this chapter.
Georgia	Workers' Compensation	GA. CODE ANN. § 34-9-2 (West) Title 34. Labor and Industrial Relations Chapter 9. Workers' Compensation Article 1. General Provisions § 34-9-2. Employers and employees to whom law is inapplicable	(2) This chapter shall not apply toany person performing services as a licensed real estate salesperson or associate broker who has a written contract of employment providing that he or she shall perform all services as an independent contractor.
3	Real Estate Statute	GA. CODE ANN. § 43-40-30.1 (West) Title 43. Professions and Businesses Chapter 40. Real Estate Brokers and Salespersons § 43-40-30.1. Employer-employee or broker- independent contractor relationship discretionary	Nothing contained in this chapter shall be construed as establishing an employer-employee or broker-independent contractor relationship between licensees. Whether brokers and their affiliated licensees establish employer- employee or broker-independent contractor relationships shall be at the discretion of the licensees.

I	Labor – Other/General	GA. CODE ANN. § 34-8-35 (West)	(n) The term "employment" shall not include:
		Title 34. Labor and Industrial	(ii) The term employment sharmer molade.
		Relations Chapter 8.	(9) Service performed by an individual for an employer as an insurance agent or as an insurance
		Employment Security Article 2.	solicitor or as a licensed real estate salesperson, if all such service performed by such individual
		Definitions	
			for such employer is performed for remuneration solely by way of commission;
	Real Estate Statute	§ 34-8-35. Employment HAW. REV. STAT. § 467-1 (West)	"Real estate salesperson" means any individual who, for a compensation or valuable
	Real Estate Statute	Division 2. Business	
			consideration, is employed either directly or indirectly by a real estate broker, or is an
		Title 25. Professions and	independent contractor in association with a real estate broker, to sell or offer to sell, buy or offer
		Occupations Chapter 467. Real	to buy, or list, or solicit for prospective purchasers, or who leases or offers to lease, or rents or
		Estate Brokers and Salespersons	offers to rent, or manages or offers to manage, any real estate, or the improvements thereon, for
		§ 467-1. Definitions	others as a whole or partial vocation; or who secures, receives, takes, or accepts, and sells or offers
			to sell, any option on real estate without the exercise by the individual of the option and for the
			purpose or as a means of evading the licensing requirements of this chapter. Every real estate
			salesperson shall be under the
			direction of a real estate broker for all real estate transactions.
Hawaii	Workers'	HAW. REV. STAT. § 386-1 (West)	"Employment" does not include:
i iavvaii	Compensation Act	Hawaii Workers' Compensation Law	
		Hawaii Workers Compensation Law	(10) Service performed by an individual for another person as a real estate salesperson or as a real
			estate broker, if
			all the service performed by the individual for the other person is performed for remuneration
			solely by way of commission;
	Labor – Other/General:	HAW. REV. STAT. § 393-5 (West)	"Employment" as defined in section 393-3 does not include:
	Health Care	Division 1. Government	(5) Service performed by an individual for an employer as a real estate salesperson or as a real
		Title 21. Labor and Industrial	estate broker if all service performed by the individual for the employer is performed for
		Relations Chapter 393. Prepaid	remuneration by way of commission;
		Health Care Act Part I. Short Title;	
		Purpose; Definitions	
		§ 393-5. Excluded services	
	Labor – Other/General:	HAW. REV. STAT. § 383-7(a)(17) (West)	Excluded service:
	Employment Security	Division 1. Government	(a) "Employment" shall not include:
		Title 21. Labor and Industrial Relations	
		Chapter 383. Hawaii Employment	(17) Service performed by an individual for an employing unit as a real estate salesperson, if all
		Security Law	service performed by the individual for the employing unit is performed for remuneration solely
		Part I. Definitions	by way of commission;
		§ 383-7. Excluded services	
			(21) Service performed by a direct seller as defined in section 3508 of the Internal Revenue Code of
			1986;
	Labor – Other/General	IDAHO CODE ANN. § 72-1316A(14) (West)	§ 72-1316A. EXEMPT EMPLOYMENT.
		Title 72. Workers' Compensation	"Exempt employment" means service performed:
Idaho		and Related Laws	(14) By an individual for a real estate broker as an associate real estate broker or as a real estate
		Chapter 13 Employment Security Law	salesman, if all such service performed by such individual for such person is performed for
			remuneration solely by way of commission.
	Workers'	820 ILL. COMP. STAT. 305/1(b)	305/1(b)3.
	Compensation	Workers' Compensation Act	The term "employee" does not include persons performing services as real estate broker, broker-
		'	salesman, or salesman when such persons are paid by commission only.
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Illinois	Real Estate Statute	225 ILL. COMP. STAT. 454/1-10 IL Real Estate License Act of 2000: Article 1. General provisions § 1-10 Definitions	454/1-10. Definitions "Employee" or other derivative of the word "employee", when used to refer to, describe, or delineate the relationship between a sponsoring broker and a managing broker, broker, or a residential leasing agent, shall be construed to include an independent contractor relationship, provided that a written agreement exists that clearly establishes and states the relationship.
	Labor – Other/General: Unemployment insurance	820 ILL. COMPILED STAT. 405/217 Unemployment Insurance Act: 405/217. Real estate salesmen; sellers of consumer products	§ 217. (a) The term "employment" shall not include services performed as a real estate salesman to the extent that such services are compensated for by commission.
	Workers' Compensation	IND. CODE § 22-3-6-1(b)(6) (West) Title 22. Labor and Safety Article 3. Worker's Compensation System Chapter 6. Worker's Compensation: Miscellaneous Provisions	 (6) Real estate professionals are not employees under IC 22-3-2 through IC 22-3-6 if: (A) they are licensed real estate agents; (B) substantially all their remuneration is directly related to sales volume and not the number of hours worked; and (C) they have written agreements with real estate brokers stating that they are not to be treated as employees for tax purposes.
Indiana	Real Estate Statute	IND. CODE § 25-34.1-4-4 Independent contractor relationship	IND. CODE § 25-34.1-4-4 Independent contractor relationship Sec. 4. Notwithstanding IC 23-1.5, the association of a broker with a managing broker, as provided by this article, creates an independent contractor relationship unless otherwise specified by a written contract entered into by the managing broker and the broker.
	Workers' Compensation	IOWA CODE § 85.61 (West) Title III. Public Services and Regulation Subtitle 2. Employment Services Chapter 85. Workers' Compensation Subchapter 1. General Provisions 85.61. Definitions	a. "Worker" or "employee" includes the following:(3) A real estate agent who does not provide the services of an independent contractor. For the purposes of this subparagraph, a real estate agent is an independent contractor if the real estate agent is licensed by the lowa real estate commission as a salesperson and both of the following apply: (a) Seventy-five percent or more of the remuneration, whether or not paid in cash, for the services performed by the individual as a real estate salesperson is derived from one company and is directly related to sales or other output, including the performance of services, rather than to the number of hours worked.
lowa			(b) The services performed by the individual are performed pursuant to a written contract between the individual and the person for whom the services are performed, and the contract provides that the individual will not be treated as an employee with respect to the services for state tax purposes.

İ	Labor – Other/General:	IOWA CODE ANN. § 96.19 (West)	g. The term "employment" shall not include:
	Unemployment	Iowa Code Annotated	g. The term employment shairhot include.
	Compensation	Title III. Public Services and Regulation Subtitle 2. Employment Services Chapter 96. Employment Security Unemployment Compensation § 96.19 Definitions	(9) Services performed by an individual, who is not treated as an employee, for a person who is not treated as an employer, under either of the following conditions: (a) The services are performed by the individual as a salesperson and as a licensed real estate agent; substantially all of the remuneration for the services is directly related to sales or other output rather than to the number of hours worked; and the services are performed pursuant to a written contract between the individual and the person for whom the services are performed, which provides that the individual will not be treated as an employee with respect to the services for federal tax purposes.
Kansas	Workers' Compensation	KAN. STAT. ANN. § 44-505 (West) Chapter 44. Labor and Industries Article 5. Workers' Compensation 44-505. Application of act	(a) Subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 44-506 and amendments thereto, the workers' compensation act shall apply to all employments wherein employers employ employees within this state except that such act shall not apply to: (5) services performed by a qualified real estate agent as an independent contractor. For the purposes of this act a qualified real estate agent shall be deemed to be an independent contractor if such qualified real estate agent is licensed by the Kansas real estate commission as a salesperson under the real estate brokers' and salespersons'
			license act and for whom: (A) Substantially all of the remuneration, whether or not paid in cash, for the services performed by such individual as a real estate salesperson is directly related to sales or other output, including the performance of services, rather than to the number of hours worked; and (B) the services performed by the individual are performed pursuant to a written contract between such individual and the person for whom the services are performed and such contract provides that the individual will not be treated as an employee with respect to such services for state tax purposes.
	Real Estate Statute	KAN. STAT. ANN. § 58-30,102 (West) Chapter 58. Personal and Real Property Article 30. Real Estate Brokers and Salespersons § 58-30,102. Definitions	58-30,102. Definitions. As used in the brokerage relationships in real estate transactions act, unless the context otherwise requires: (a) "Affiliated licensee" means any individual licensed as a salesperson or broker under the Kansas real estate brokers' and salespersons' license act who is employed by a broker or affiliated with a broker as an independent contractor.
	Labor – Other/General	KAN. STAT. ANN. § 44-703(4)(Q) (West) Ch. 44 Labor and Industries Art. 7 Employment Security Law 44-703 Definitions	4) The term "employment" shall not include: (Q) services performed as a qualified real estate agent
Kentucky	Tax	KY REV. STAT. ANN § 67.750 (West) Title IX. Counties, Cities, and Other Local Units Chapter 67. County Government (Fiscal Courts and County Commissioners) Taxation of Business 67.750 Definitions for KRS 67.750 to 67.790	As used in KRS 67.750 to 67.790, unless the context requires otherwise: (4) "Employee" means any person who renders services to another person or business entity for compensation, including an officer of a corporation and any officer, employee, or elected official of the United States, a state, or any political subdivision of a state, or any agency or instrumentality of any one (1) or more of the above. A person classified as an independent contractor under the Internal Revenue Code shall not be considered an employee;

Louisiana	Workers' Compensation	LA. STAT. ANN. § 23:1047 Title 23. Labor and Workers' Compensation Chapter 10. Workers' Compensation Part I. Scope and Operation Subpart B. Liability of Employers Election as to Coverage § 1047. Real estate salesmen exempt from coverage	A. This Chapter shall not apply to and there is specifically excluded from the operation thereof, any real estate broker or salesman licensed to do business in the state of Louisiana and operating under the auspices of a licensed broker in the state of Louisiana and is working in the course and scope of his real estate business.
	Real Estate Statute	LA. STAT. ANN § 37:1446 Louisiana Revised Statutes Title 37. Professions and Occupations Chapter 17. Louisiana Real Estate License Law § 1446. Compensation; independent contractor status of salespersons and associate brokers	H. A real estate salesperson or associate shall be an independent contractor of the broker with whom he is affiliated for all purposes and shall not be an employee of the broker if all of the following conditions are met: (1) The real estate salesperson or associate broker is a licensee. (2) Substantially all of the real estate salesperson's or associate broker's remuneration for the services performed is directly related to sales or other output rather than the number of hours worked. (3) There is a written agreement between the real estate salesperson or associate broker and the broker that specifies that the real estate salesperson or associate broker will not be treated as an employee.
	Labor – Other/General: Unemployment Comp	LA. STAT. ANN. § 23:1472(12)H.(XVII) Title 23 Labor and Workers' Comp Chapter 11. Unemployment Compensation Part I. General Provisions § 1472 Definitions	H. The term "employment" shall not include: XVII. service performed by an individual as a real estate salesman, if all such service performed by such individual for his employing unit is performed for remuneration solely by way of commission;
Maine	Workers' Compensation Labor – Other/General	ME. REV. STAT. ANN. tit. 39, § 102(11)(D) Title 39-A: Workers' Compensation Part 1: Maine Worker's Compensation Act of 1992	11. Employee. The term "employee" is defined as follows
		Chapter 1: General Provisions § 102. Definitions	D. "Employee" does not include a real estate broker or salesperson whose services are performed for remuneration solely by way of commission if the broker or salesperson has signed a contract with the agency indicating the existence of an independent contractor relationship.
	Unemployment Compensation	ME. REV. STAT. ANN. tit. 26 § 1043 Title 26. Labor and Industry Chapter 13. Unemployment Compensation Subchapter 1. General Provisions § 1043 Definitions	F. The term "employment" does not include: (15) Service performed by an individual for a person as a real estate broker, a real estate sales representative, an insurance agent or an insurance solicitor, if all such service performed by that individual for that person is performed for remuneration solely by way of commission;

	Workers'	Md. Code Ann., Lab. & Empl. § 9-	An individual is not a covered employee if the individual:
	Compensation	Md. Code Ann., Lab. & Empl. § 9- 222 (West)	An Individual is not a covered employee if the Individual: (1) is a licensed real estate salesperson or a licensed associate real estate broker;
	Compensation		
		Labor and Employment	(2) is affiliated with a licensed real estate broker under a written agreement;
		Title 9. Workers' Compensation	(3) is compensated solely on a commission basis; and
		Subtitle 2. Covered Employees	(4) for federal tax purposes, qualifies as an independent contractor.
		and Employers	
		§ 9-222. Real estate salesperson or	
		associate	
	D 15	real estate broker	
	Real Estate Statute	MD. Code Ann., BUS. OCC. & PROF. § 17-	(a) (1) Subject to the provisions of this section, a licensed real estate broker may utilize as an
		320 (West)	independent contractor, employ, or otherwise contract with a licensed real estate salesperson or a
		Employment of and contractual	licensed associate real estate broker to provide real estate brokerage services on behalf of the
		arrangements with salespersons and	licensed real estate broker.
Maryland		associate brokers	
			(c)(1) A real estate broker shall exercise reasonable and adequate supervision over the provision of
			real estate brokerage services by any other individual, including an independent contractor, on
			behalf of the broker.
			(2) The requirement of paragraph (1) of this subsection applies regardless of the manner in which the individual
			who provides the services is affiliated with the real estate broker on whose behalf the services are
			provided.
	Unemployment	MD. CODE ANN., LAB. & EMPL. § 8-209	[]
	Insurance	(West)	(b) To the extent that work is exempted under federal law, the work that an associate real estate
		Title 8. Unemployment	broker or real estate salesperson performs for a licensed real estate broker for payment by
		Insurance Subtitle 2. Scope	commission is not covered employment.
		of Title	
		§8-209. Commission Sales	
	Wage & Hour	MD. CODE ANN., LAB. & EMPL. § 3-403	§ 3–403.
		(West)	This subtitle does not apply to an individual who: []
		Title 3. Employment Standards	(5) is compensated on a commission basis;
		and Conditions.	
		Subtitle 4. Definitions; General	
		Provisions.	
		§ 3-403. Scope of Subtitle	
	Workers'	MASS. GEN. LAWS ANN. ch. 152 §1 (West)	Definitions] – (4) "Employee", every person in the service of another under any contract of hire,
	Compensation	Workers' Compensation (4)	express or implied, oral or written, excepting(c) a salesperson affiliated with a real estate broker
		LEG. HISTORY: St.1983, c. 447, approved	pursuant to an agreement which specifically provides for compensation only in the form of
Massachusetts			
		Oct. 27, 1983, in the first paragraph of	commissions earned from the sale or rental of real property
		par. (4), inserted "a salesperson	
		affiliated with a real estate broker	SEE ALSO: Official Website of the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development:
		pursuant to an agreement	Commentary – "Who Needs Workers' Compensation Insurance in Massachusetts"Under
		which specifically provides for	specific conditions outlined in
	ĺ	compensation	

		only in the form of commissions	Chapter 152, section 1(4), the following are not considered employees and therefore not required to
		earned from the sale or rental of real	be covered by workers' compensation insurance:real estate agents[Emphasis added]
		property,", and deleted "for"	
		preceding "liability" and deleted "of	
		this chapter" following "twenty-	
		six".	
	Real Estate Statute	MASS. GEN. LAWS ANN. ch. 112 § 87RR (West) Part I. Administration of the Government (Ch. 1-182) Title XVI. Public Health (Ch. 111-114) Chapter 112. Registration of Certain Professions and Occupations § 87RR. License; completion of transactions; fee or commission; action	No salesman may conduct or operate his own real estate business nor act except as the representative of a real estate broker who shall be responsible for the salesman and who must approve the negotiation and completion by the salesman of any transaction or agreement which results or is intended to result in the sale, exchange, purchase, renting or leasing of any real estate or in a loan secured or to be secured by mortgage or other encumbrance upon real estate. No salesman shall be affiliated with more than one broker at the same time nor shall any salesman be entitled to any fee, commission or other valuable consideration or solicit or accept the same from any person except his licensed broker in connection with any such agreement or transaction. A salesman may be affiliated with a broker either as an employee or as an independent contractor and may, by agreement, be paid as an outside salesperson on a
		for compensation	commission- only basis but shall be under such supervision of said broker as to ensure compliance with this section and said broker shall be responsible with the salesman for any violation of section eighty-seven AAA committed by said salesman.
	Labor –	MASS. GEN. LAWS ANN. ch. 151A § 6	The term "employment" shall not include:
	Other/General:	Part I. Administration of the	(p) Services performed by an individual as a real estate broker or salesman if he is licensed by
	Unemployment	Government Title XXI. Labor and	the state as a real estate broker or salesman, and if he is remunerated solely by way of
	Insurance	Industries	commission; provided, however, that the term "employment" shall include service performed by
		Chapter 151A. Unemployment Insurance	a real estate broker or a salesman, if such service is performed for a governmental employer as
		§ 6. Service not included in "employment"	defined in subsection (i) of section one.
	Real Estate Statute	MICH. COMP. LAWS ANN. § 339.2501 (West) Chapter 339. Occupational Code Occupational Code Article 25. Real Estate Brokers and Salespersons § 339.2501. Definitions	(g) "Employ" or "employment" means the relationship between a real estate broker and an associate broker or a real estate salesperson which may include an independent contractor relationship. The existence of an independent contractor relationship between a real estate broker and an individual licensed to the real estate broker shall not relieve the real estate broker of the responsibility to supervise acts of the licensee regulated by this article. (h) "Independent contractor relationship" means a relationship between a real estate broker and an associate broker or real estate salesperson that satisfies both of the following conditions: (i) A written agreement exists in which the real estate broker does not consider the associate
Michigan			broker or real estate salesperson as an employee for federal and state income tax purposes. (ii) At least 75% of the annual compensation paid by the real estate broker to the associate broker or real estate salesperson is from commissions from the sale of real estate.
			salesperson is from commissions from the sale of featestate.

	Workers'	MICH. COMP. LAWS ANN. § 418.119	§ 119
	Compensation Act	(West) Ch. 418. Workers' Disability Compensation	A person who is licensed as a real estate salesperson or associate real estate broker under article 25 of Act No. 299 of the Public Acts of 1980, being sections 339.2501 to 339.2515 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, shall not be considered an employee for purposes of this act if both of the following conditions have been met:
			 (a) Not less than 75% of the remuneration of the salesperson or associate real estate broker is directly related to the volume of sales of real estate and not to the number of hours worked. (b) The salesperson or associate real estate broker has a written agreement with the real estate broker who
			employs the salesperson or associate real estate broker, which states that the salesperson or associate real estate broker, as applicable, is not considered an employee for tax purposes.
	Labor – Other/General	MICH. COMP. LAWS ANN. § 421.43(h) Michigan Employment Security Act § 421.43 Services excluded from term	Sec. 43. Except as otherwise provided in section 42(6), the term "employment" does not include any of the following:
		"employment"	(h) Service performed by real estate salespersons, sales representatives of investment companies, and agents or solicitors of insurance companies who are compensated principally or wholly on a commission basis.
Minnesota	Labor – Other/General:	MINN. STAT. § 268.035 (West) Employment and Economic Development Unemployment	Subd. 20. Noncovered employment. "Noncovered employment" means: (30) employment as a real estate salesperson, by other than a corporate officer, if all the wages
	Unemployment Insurance	Insurance § 268.035. Definitions	from the employment is solely by way of commission;
Mississippi	NONE FOUND	Subd. 20 Noncovered Employment	
	Real Estate Statute	MO. REV. STAT. § 339.010 Title XXII - occupations and professions Chapter 339 - Real Estate Agents, Brokers, Appraisers and Escrow Agents 339.010. Definitions	§ 339.010 Definitions2. A "real estate salesperson" is any person, partnership, limited partnership, limited liability company, association, professional corporation, or corporation, domestic or foreign who for a compensation or valuable consideration becomes associated, either as an independent contractor or employee, either directly or indirectly, with a real estate broker to do any of the things above mentioned. The provisions of sections 339.010 to 339.180 and sections 339.710 to 339.860 [FN1] shall not be construed to deny a real estate salesperson who is compensated solely by commission the right to be associated with a broker as an independent contractor.
Missouri			3. A "real estate broker-salesperson" is any person, partnership, limited partnership, limited liability company, association, professional corporation, or corporation, domestic or foreign, who has a real estate broker license in good standing, who for a compensation or valuable consideration becomes associated, either as an independent contractor or employee, either directly or indirectly, with a real estate broker to do any of the things above mentioned. A real estate broker-salesperson may not also operate as a real estate broker. The provisions of sections 339.010 to 339.180 and sections 339.710 to 339.860 shall not be construed to deny a real estate salesperson who is compensated solely by commission the right to be associated with a broker as an independent contractor.
			AND The provisions of sections 339.010 to 339.180 and sections 339.710 to 339.860* shall not be construed to deny a real estate salesperson who is compensated solely by commission the right to be associated with a broker as an independent contractor.

Workers'	MO. REV. STAT. § 287.090	1. This chapter shall not apply to:
Compensation Act	Title XVIII – Labor and Industrial	The stages of all the apply to
Compensation / tec	Relations Chapter 287 – Workers' Compensation Law Section 287.090 –	(2) Qualified real estate agents and direct sellers as those terms are defined in Section 3508 of Title 26 United States Code;
	Exempt employers and occupations	2. Any employer exempted from this chapter as to the employer or as to any class of employees of the employer pursuant to the provisions of subdivision (3) of subsection 1 of section 287.030 or pursuant to subsection 1 of this section may elect coverage as to the employer or as to the class of employees of that employer pursuant to this chapter by purchasing and accepting a valid workers' compensation insurance policy or endorsement, or by written notice to the group self-insurer of which the employer is a member. The election shall take effect on the effective date of the workers' compensation insurance policy or endorsement, or by written notice to the group self-insurer of which the employer is a member, and continue while such policy or endorsement remains in effect or until further written notice to the group self-insurer of which the employer is a member. Any such exempt employer or employer with an exempt class of employees may withdraw such election by the cancellation or nonrenewal of the workers' compensation insurance policy or endorsement, or by written notice to the group self- insurer of which the
		employer is a member. In the event the employer is electing out of coverage as to the employer, the cancellation shall take effect on the later date of the cancellation of the policy or the filing of notice
		pursuant to subsection 3 of this section.
Labor – Other/General	MO. ANN. STAT. § 288.034 (West)	12. The term "employment" shall not include:
Education of their deficient	Title XVIII. Labor and Industrial Relations	12. The term employment shall not all the term of the
	Chapter 288. Employment Security 288.034. Employment defined	(16) Services performed by a licensed real estate salesperson or licensed real estate broker if substantially all of the remuneration, whether or not paid in cash, for the services performed, rather than to the number of hours worked, is directly related to sales or other output, including the performance of services, performed pursuant to a written contract between such individual and the person for whom the services are performed and such contract provides that the individual will not be treated as an employee with respect to such services for federal tax purposes;
Workers'	MONT. CODE ANN. § 39-71-401	Employments covered and exemptions
Compensation	Title 39. Labor	(2) Unless the employer elects coverage for these employments under this chapter and an
	Chapter 71. Workers' Compensation	insurer allows an election, the Workers' Compensation Act does not apply to any of the
	Part 4. Coverage, Liability and	following:
	Subrogation	
		(e) employment of a real estate, securities, or insurance salesperson paid solely by commission and
		without a guarantee of minimum earnings;

Montana	Real Estate Statute	MONT. CODE ANN. § 37-51-102 (West) Title 37. Professions and Occupations Chapter 51. Real Estate Brokers and Salespersons Part 1. General § 37-51-102. Definitions	(13) "In-house buyer agent designate" means a broker or salesperson employed by or associated as an independent contractor with a broker and designated by the broker as the exclusive agent for a buyer for a designated transaction and who may not be considered to be acting for other than the buyer with respect to the designated transaction. (13) "In-house seller agent designate" means a broker or salesperson employed by or associated as an independent contractor with a broker and designated by the broker as the exclusive agent for a seller for a designated transaction and who may not be considered to be acting for other than the seller with respect to the designated transaction.
	Labor –	MONT. CODE ANN. § 39-51-204(1)(d)	§ 39-51-204 Exclusions from definition of Employment
	Other/General:	Title 39. Labor	(1) The term "employment" does not include:
	Unemployment	Chapter 51. Unemployment	
	Insurance	Insurance Part 2. Definitions	(d) services performed by qualified real estate agents, as defined in 26 U.S.C. 3508, or insurance
			salespeople paid solely by commission and without a guarantee of minimum earnings;
	Labor – Other/General:	MONT. CODE ANN. § 39-3-406 (West)	§ 39-3-406. Exclusions
	Minimum Wage	Title 39. Labor	(1) The provisions of 39-3-404 and 39-3-405 do not apply with respect to:
		Chapter 3. Wages and Wage	(j)an individual employed in an outside sales capacity pursuant to 29 CFR 541.500;
		Protection Part 4. Minimum	(m) a direct seller as defined in 26 U.S.C. 3508;
		Wage and Overtime	
	Labor –	Compensation NEB. REV. STAT. § 48-604 (West)	(C) The tayon appeals we set shall not include.
Nebraska	Other/General:	Chapter 48. Labor	(6) The term employment shall not include: (I) Service performed by an individual as a real estate salesperson, as an insurance agent, or as an
Nebrasia	Employment Security	Article 6. Employment	insurance
	Employment Security	Security 48-604.	solicitor, if all such service performed by such individual is performed for remuneration solely by
		Employment, defined	way of commission;
	Real Estate Statute	NEV. REV. STAT. § 645.035 (West)	645.035. "Real estate broker-salesperson" defined
		Title 54. Professions, Occupations and	1. Within the meaning of this chapter, a "real estate broker-salesperson" is any person who
		Businesses	holds a real estate broker's license, or who has passed the real estate broker's examination,
Nevada		Chapter 645. Real Estate Brokers and	but who, as an employee or as an independent contractor, for compensation or otherwise, is
11cvada		Salespersons	associated with:
		General Provisions	
			(a) A licensed real estate broker in the capacity of a salesperson, to do or to deal in any act, acts
			or transactions included within the definition of a real estate broker in NRS 645.030; or
			(b) A registered owner-developer in the capacity of a sales manager in accordance with
			NRS 645.283 and 645.289.
	Labor –	NEV. REV. STAT. ANN. § 612.133 (West)	§ 612.133 "Employment": Service by licensed real estate salesperson or broker excluded.
	Other/General:	Labor and Industrial	"Employment" shall not include services performed by a licensed real estate salesperson or
	Unemployment	Relations Unemployment	licensed real estate broker who is employed as a salesperson or associate broker by another
	Insurance	Compensation General	licensed real estate broker, whether such services are performed for such employer or for a third
		Provisions	person, if such services are performed for remuneration solely by way of commission.

	Workers'	N.H. REV. STAT. ANN. § 281-A:2	VI. (a) "Employee", with respect to private employment, means any person in the service of an
	Compensation	Title XXIII. Labor	employer subject to the provisions of this chapter under any express or implied, oral or written
		Chapter 281-A. Workers'	contract of hireIf they elect to be personally covered by this chapter, "employee" includes
New Hampshire		Compensation 281-A:2	persons who regularly operate businesses or practice their trades, professions, or occupations,
Trew Harripsinie		Definitions.	whether individually, or in partnership, or association with other persons, whether or not they
			hire others as employees.
			(b)(1) Subject to the preceding subparagraph, any person, other than a direct seller or qualified
			real estate broker or agent or real estate appraiser, or person providing services as part of a
			residential placement for individuals with developmental, acquired, or emotional disabilities,
			who performs services for pay for an employer, is
		N. 7. DEL / CTAT. C. / 7.01.10	presumed to be an employee
	Labor – Other/General:	N.J. REV. STAT. § 43:21-19	43:21-19. Definitions
	Unemployment	Title 43 Pensions and	
New Jersey	Compensation	Retirement and	(7) Provided that such services are also exempt under the Federal Unemployment Tax Act, as
		Unemployment Compensation	amended, or that contributions with respect to such services are not required to be paid into a
		Subtitle 9. Social Security	state unemployment fund as a condition for a tax offset credit against the tax imposed by the
		Chapter 21: Unemployment Compensation (Refs & Annotations)	Federal Unemployment Tax Act, as amended, the term "employment" shall not include:
		Article 1. Unemployment Compensation	 (K) Services performed by real estate salesmen or brokers who are compensated wholly on a
		Law	commission basis;
		General provisions	60111111331011 54313,
	Workers'	N.M. STAT. ANN. § 52-1-16(B), § 52-1-	B. For the purposes of the Workers' Compensation Act, an individual who performs services as a
New Mexico	Compensation	16(C)	qualified real estate salesperson shall not be treated as an employee and the person for whom
		Workers' Compensation/Real estate	the services are performed shall not be treated as an employer.
		salesperson excepted	
	Workers'	N.Y. WORKERS' COMP. LAW § 2	5. "Employment" includes employment in a trade, business or occupation carried on by the
	Compensation	(McKinney)	employer for pecuniary gain, or in connection therewith, The term "employment" shall not
		Workers' Compensation Law	include the services of a licensed real estate broker or sales associate if it be proven that (a)
		Chapter 67	substantially all of the remuneration (whether or not paid in cash) for the services performed by
		Article 1. Short Title;	such broker or sales associate is directly related to sales or other output (including the
		Definitions; Application	performance of services) rather than to the number of hours worked; (b) the services performed
		§ 2 Definitions	by the broker or sales associate are performed pursuant to a written contract executed between
			such broker or sales associate and the person for whom the services are performed within the
New York		AND	past twelve to fifteen months; and (c) the written contract provided for in paragraph (b) herein
New York			was not executed under duress and contains the following provisions:
		N.Y. WORKERS' COMP. LAW § 201	(i) that the broker or sales associate is engaged as an independent contractor associated with
		(McKinney)	the person for whom services are performed
		Chapter 67	(ii) that the broker or sales associate (A) shall be paid a commission on his or her gross sales, if
		Article 9. Disability Benefits	any, without deduction for taxes, which commission shall be directly related to sales or other
		§ 201 Definitions	output; (B) shall not receive any remuneration related to the number of hours worked; and (C)
			shall not be treated as an employee with respect to such services for federal and state tax
			purposes;
			(iii) that the broker or sales associate shall be permitted to work any hours he or she chooses;
			(iv) that the broker or sales associate shall be permitted to work out of his or her own home or
			the office of the person for whom services are performed;
			(v) that the broker or sales associate shall be free to engage in outside employment;
			(vi) that the person for whom the services are performed may provide office facilities and supplies for the use of

			the broker or sales associate, but the broker or sales associate shall otherwise bear his or her own
			expenses, including but not limited to automobile, travel, and entertainment expenses;
			(vii) that the person for whom the services are performed and the broker or sales associate shall comply with the requirements of article twelve-A of the real property law and the regulations
			pertaining thereto, but such compliance shall not affect the broker or sales associate's status as
			an independent contractor nor should it be construed as an indication that the broker or sales
			associate is an employee of the person for whom the services are performed for any purpose whatsoever;
			(viii) that the contract and the association created thereby may be terminated by either party
			thereto at any time upon notice given to the other.
	Real Estate Statute	N.Y. COMP. CODES R. & REGS. tit. 19, §	Section 175.27. Disclaimer
		<u>175.27</u>	Nothing in this Part is intended to be, or should be construed as, an indication that a salesperson is
		§ 175.21. Supervision of salesman by	either an independent contractor or employee of a broker.
		broker	
	Labor –	N.Y. LAB. LAW § 511 (McKinney)	
	Other/General:	Article 18. Unemployment Insurance	19. Qualified real estate agent.
	Unemployment	Law Title 2. Definitions	The term "employment" shall not include the services of a licensed real estate broker or sales
	Insurance		associate if it be proven that[commission basis, contract provision requirements, hours must be at salesperson's discretion; etc.]
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	Real Estate Statute	N.C. GEN. STAT. ANN. § 93A-11 (West)	§ 93A-11. Reimbursement by real estate independent contractor of brokers' workers' compensation
		Chapter 93A. Real Estate License	(a) Notwithstanding the provisions of G.S. 97-21 or any other provision of law, a real estate broker
North Carolina		Law Article 1. Real Estate Brokers	may include in the governing contract with a real estate broker on provisional status whose
North Carolina		and Salespersons	nonemployee status is recognized pursuant to section 3508 of the United States Internal
			Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C. § 3508, an agreement for the broker on provisional status to reimburse
			the broker for the cost of covering that broker on provisional status under the broker's workers'
			compensation coverage of the broker's business.
	Workers'	N.D. CENT. CODE § 65-01-02	§ 64-01-02 Definitions
	Compensation Act	Title 65 Workforce Safety and Insurance	16. "Employee" means an individual who performs hazardous employment for another for
		Chapter 65-01 General Provisions	remuneration unless the individual is an independent contractor under the common-law test.
			b. The term does not include:
			(4) A real estate broker or real estate salesperson, provided the individual
North Dakota			meets the following three requirements: [a) licensed b) compensation c) contract.
	Labor – Other/General:	N.D. CENT. CODE § 52-01-01(18)(i)(8)	18. "Employment" does not include:
	Social Security	Title 51 Social Security	18. Employment does not include:
	Social Security	Chapter 52-01 Definitions and General	i. Service performed:
		Provisions	i. Service periormed.
			(8) By an individual for a person as an insurance agent, as an insurance solicitor, as a real estate
			salesman, or as a securities salesman, if all such services performed by such individual for such
			persons is performed for remuneration solely by way of commission.
	Real Estate Law	OHIO REV. CODE ANN. § 4735.081	(F) Nothing in this section shall be considered prima facie evidence of whether an affiliated
	Trodi Estats Earr	(West 2017)	licensee is an independent contractor or an employee of the brokerage.
		§ 4735.081 Designation of principal	incensed is an independent contractor of an employee of the profite age.
Ohio		3 1733.301 Besignation of principal	AND
		broker AND	
			A real estate broker, real estate salesperson, foreign real estate dealer, and foreign real estate
		OHIO REV. CODE ANN. § 4735.091 (West	salesperson may be associated with a brokerage as either an employee or an independent
		2017)	contractor.
		§ 4735.091 Relationship with brokerage	
	Workers'	OKLA. STAT. ANN. tit. 85A, § 2 (West)	18.b. The term "employee" shall not include:
	Compensation	Title 85A. Workers' Compensation	
	·		(3) any person who is a licensed real estate sales associate or broker, paid on a commission basis,
	Real Estate Statute	OKL. STAT. ANN. tit. 59, § 858-102 (West)	3. The term "broker associate" shall include any person who has qualified for a license as a
		Title 59. Professions and Occupations	broker and who is employed or engaged by, associated as an independent contractor with, or
		Chapter 20. Oklahoma Real Estate	on behalf of, a broker to do or deal in any act, acts or transaction set out in the definition of a
		License Code	broker:
Oklahoma		Article I. General Provisions	4. The term "real estate sales associate" shall include any person having a renewable license
		§ 858-102. Definitions	and employed or engaged by, or associated as an independent contractor with, or on behalf of,
			a real estate broker to do or deal in any act, acts or transactions set out in the definition of a real
			estate broker;
			5. "Provisional sales associate" shall include any person who has been licensed after June 30, 1993,
			employed or engaged by, or associated as an independent contractor with, or on behalf of, a real
			estate broker to do or deal in any act, acts or transactions set out in the definition of a real estate
			broker and subject to an additional forty-five-
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			clock-hour postlicensing educational requirement to be completed within the first twelve-month license term.
	Labor – Other/General	OKL. STAT. ANN. tit. 40 § 1-210 Title 40. Labor Employment Security Act	(15) The term "employment" shall not include: (j) service performed by an individual for a person, firm, association, trust, partnership or corporation as an insurance agent, or as an insurance solicitor or as a licensed real estate agent, if all such service performed by such individual for such person is performed for remuneration solely by way of commissions or fees;
Oregon	Real Estate Statute	OR. REV. STAT. § 696.363 Title 52. Occupations and Professions Chapter 696. Real Estate and Escrow Activities Real Estate Licensees (Miscellaneous) 696.363. Relationship between licensees	§ 696.363 Relationship between licensees as independent contractors or employer and employee. Nothing contained in ORS 696.010 to 696.495, 696.600 to 696.785, 696.800 to 696.870, 696.990 and 696.995 prevents the establishment of an independent contractor relationship between real estate licensees or requires the establishment of an employer-employee relationship.
	Labor – Other/General	OR. REV. STAT. § 657.085 Labor and Employment/Unlawful Discrimination/Unemployment Insurance/Definitions/Exclusion for certain real estate personnel	"Employment" does not include service performed by any person as a newspaper advertising salesperson, real estate broker, principal real estate broker, insurance producer or securities salesperson or agent to the extent that the person is compensated by commission.
Pennsylvania	Workers' Compensation	77. PA. STAT. AND CONST. STAT. ANN. § 676(2) (West) Workers' Compensation/Domestic Workers/Persons engaged in domestic service; election by employer	Nothing contained in this act shall apply to or in any way affect: (2) Any person who is a licensed real estate salesperson or an associate real estate broker affiliated with a licensed real estate broker or a licensed insurance agent affiliated with a licensed insurance agency, under a written agreement, remunerated on a commission-only basis and who qualifies as an independent contractor for State tax purposes or for Federal tax purposes under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (Public Law 99-514, 26 U.S.C. § 1 et seq.).
Rhode Island	Workers' Compensation	28 R.I. GEN. LAWS § 28-29-7.1 Title 28. Labor and Labor Relations Chapter 29. Workers' Compensation General Provisions § 28-29-7.1. Exemption from workers' compensationCertain real estate persons	A licensed real estate broker or real estate salesperson or a licensed or certified real estate appraiser shall not be considered an employee under the provisions of this chapter if substantially all of the remuneration for the services performed by the broker, salesperson, or appraiser, whether paid in cash or otherwise, is directly related to sales or other output rather than to the number of hours worked, and the services are performed by the broker, salesperson, or appraiser pursuant to a written contract that contains the following provisions: (1) The broker, salesperson, or appraiser, for purposes of workers' compensation, is engaged as an independent contractor associated with the person for whom services are performed; (2) The broker or salesperson shall be paid a commission based on his or her gross sales, if any, without deduction for taxes, which commission shall be directly related to sales or other output; (3) The broker, salesperson, or appraiser shall not receive any remuneration related to the number of hours worked, and shall not be treated as an employee with respect to the services for the purposes of this chapter;

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			(4) The broker, salesperson, or appraiser shall be permitted to work any hours he or she chooses;
			(5) The broker, salesperson, or appraiser shall be permitted to work out of his or her own home or
			the office of the person for whom services are performed;
			(6) The broker, salesperson, or appraiser shall be free to engage in outside employment;
			(7) The person for whom the services are performed may provide office facilities and supplies
			for the use of the broker, salesperson, or appraiser, but the broker, salesperson, or appraiser
			shall otherwise pay his or her own expenses.
	Real Estate Statute	5 R.I. GEN. LAWS ANN. §5-20.5-1 (West)	(1) "Associate broker" means any licensed real estate broker who is employed or engaged as an
	rear Estate Statute	Title 5. Businesses and	independent contractor by or in behalf of a licensed real estate broker to do or deal in any
		Professions Chapter 20.5. Real	activity as included or comprehended by the definitions of a real estate broker in subdivision (4)
		Estate Brokers and Salespersons	of this section, for compensation or otherwise;
		§ 5-20.5-1. Definitions	
		3	(6) "Real estate salesperson" means and includes any person employed or engaged as an
			independent contractor by or on behalf of a licensed real estate broker to do or deal in any
			activity as included or comprehended by the definitions of a real estate broker in subdivision (4)
		20 D L CEN L ANA/C ANIN COO (2 0 //4/ 1)	of this section, for compensation or otherwise.
	Labor – Other/General	28 R.I. GEN. LAWS ANN. § 28-42-8 (West)	"Employment" does not include:
	- Employment		
	Security		(10) Notwithstanding any provisions of titles 5 and 27, service performed by an individual as
			a real estate salesperson if all the service performed by that individual is performed for
	\\/ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\	CC CODE ANN S (2.1.750	remuneration solely by way of commission;
	Workers' Compensation	S.C. CODE ANN. § 42-1-360	This title does not apply to:
	Compensation	Title 42. Workers'	(7) a licensed real estate sales person engaged in the sale, leasing, or rental of real estate for a
		Compensation Chapter 1. General Provisions	licensed real estate broker on a straight commission basis and who has signed a valid
			independent contractor agreement with the broker;
South Carolina		Article 3. Application and Effect of Title	maspenasite semilation agreement with the storiety
		§ 42-1-360. Exemption of casual employees and certain other	
		employments from Title.	
	Labor – Other/General	S.C. CODE Ann. § 41-27-260:	The term "employment" as used in Chapters 27 through 41 of this title does not include:
	Labor Other/General	Title 41. Labor and Employment	The term employment as asea in enapters 27 tillough 41 of this title aces not include.
		Chapter 27. Employment and	··· (14) service performed by an individual for an employer as a real estate salesman or agent, if this
		Workforce General Provisions	service is performed by the individual for his employer for remuneration solely by way of
		Article 3. Definitions	commission;
		§ 41-27-260. Exempted employment.	Commission
		3 -1 27-200. Exempled employment.	

		S.D. CODIFIED LAWS § 36-21A-79	A responsible broker is responsible for the real estate activities conducted by affiliated licensees,
	Real Estate Statute	Title 36. Professions and	whether as employees or independent contractors.
		Occupations Chapter 36-21A.	whether as employees of independent contractors.
		Real Estate Licensing 36-21A-79.	
		Broker's responsibility for	
		activities of affiliated licensees	
South Dakota	Real Estate Statute (2)	S.D. CODIFIED LAWS § 36-21A-124	For purposes of determining employment status, any broker, broker associate, and salesperson
South Dakota	rical Estate Statute (2)	Title 36. Professions and	who is a natural person and licensed under this chapter is engaged in an independently
		Occupations Chapter 36-21A.	established profession. Any such licensee is an independent contractor if:
		Real Estate Licensing 36-21A-124.	(1) The licensed broker with whom the licensee is affiliated does not specify by other than
		Employment status	general policy the time, method, and location of the licensee's services; and
		Independent contractor	(2) The licensed broker with whom the licensee is affiliated compensates the licensee on
		independent contractor	
			the basis of work performed without withholding and remitting federal income and social security taxes; and
			(3) The licensed broker with whom the licensee is affiliated provides only incidental supplies,
			equipment, and facilities, while the licensee assumes responsibility for vehicular, educational,
			and other significant professionally related expenses; and
			(4) Either party to the relationship may terminate it at will and without liability.
	Labor – Other/General	TENN. CODE ANN. § 50-7-207 (11) (West)	(c) "Excluded Service." For purposes of this section, "excluded service" means any of the
		Title 50. Employer and Employee	following, unless the employing unit for which the service is performed is liable for a federal tax
		Chapter 7. Tennessee Employment	on the remuneration paid for the service against which credit may be taken for premiums paid
		Security Law	under this chapter, or unless the employing unit has elected that the service shall be deemed to
		Part 2. Definitions	constitute employment subject to this chapter pursuant to § 50-7-405, in which cases the
Tennessee		§ 50-7-207. Employment; included,	service shall be "included service" as provided in subsection (b):
remiessee		excluded and Tennessee service:	
		definitions	(11) Service performed by a qualified real estate agent if:
			(A) The individual is a licensed real estate agent;
			(B) Substantially all of the remuneration for the services performed as a real estate agent is
			directly related to sales or other output, including the performance of services, rather than
			the number of hours worked: and
			(C) The services performed by the individual are performed pursuant to a written contract
			between the individual and the person for whom the services are performed, and the contract
			provides that the individual will not be
			treated as an employee with respect to the services for federal tax (FUTA) purposes;
	Labor – Other/General	TEX. LAB. CODE ANN. §. 201.072 (West)	In this subtitle, "employment" does not include:
	,	Labor Code	(1) service performed by an individual as a real estate broker or salesperson if:
		Service as Real Estate Broker	(A) the individual engages in activity described by the definition of "broker" in Section 1101.002,
			Occupations Code:
Texas			(B) the individual is licensed as a broker or salesperson by the Texas Real Estate Commission;
			(C) substantially all remuneration for the service, whether in cash or other form of payment, is
			directly related to
			sales or other output, including the performance of the service, and not to the number of hours worked: and
			(D) the service is performed under a written contract between the individual and the person for
			whom the service is performed, and the contract provides that the individual is not treated as an
			employee with respect to the service for federal tax purposes; or
	<u> </u>		employee with respect to the service for rederal tax purposes, or

	Workers'	UTAH CODE ANN. § 34A-2-104 (West)	(5) As used in this chapter and Chapter 3, Utah Occupational Disease Act, "employee," "worker,"
	Compensation	Title 34A. Utah Labor Code	and "operative" do not include:
		Chapter 2. Workers'	(a) a sales agent or associate broker, as defined in Section 61-2f-102, [Real Estate Licensing Act]
		Compensation Act Part 1.	who performs services in that capacity for a principal broker if:
		General Provisions	(i) substantially all of the sales agent's or associate broker's income for services is from real
		§ 34A-2-104. "Employee," "worker," and	estate commissions; and
		"operative" definedSpecific	(ii) the sales agent's or associate broker's services are performed under a written contract that
		circumstances Exemptions	provides that:
		'	(A) the real estate agent is an independent contractor; and
Utah			(B) the sales agent or associate broker is not to be treated as an employee for federal income tax purposes;
	Real Estate Statute	UTAH CODE ANN. § 61-2f-102 (West)	61-2f-102. Definitions
		Title 61. Securities DivisionReal Estate	(1) "Associate broker" means an individual who is:
		Division	(a) employed or engaged as an independent contractor by or on behalf of a principal broker to
		Chapter 2F. Real Estate Licensing	perform an act set out in Subsection (18) for valuable consideration; and
		and Practices Act	(b) licensed under this chapter as an associate broker.
		Part 1. General Provisions	
		§ 61-2f-102. Definitions	AND
			§ 61-2f-303. Sales agents or associate brokerAffiliated with principal broker as independent
		AND	contractors or employees—Presumption.
			(1) (a) A sales agent or associate broker may be affiliated with a principal broker either as an
		UTAH CODE ANN. § 61-2f-303 (West)	independent contractor or as an employee.
		Licensing and Practices; Operational	(b) The relationship between sales agent or associate broker and principal broker is presumed to be
		Requirements	an
			independent contractor relationship unless there is clear and convincing evidence that the
			relationship was intended by the parties to be an employer employee relationship.
	Labor – Other/General:	UTAH CODE ANN. § 35A-4-205 (West)	(3) The following services are exempt employment under the Utah Employment Security Act:
	Employment	Exempt employment	(a) service performed by an individual as a licensed real estate agent or salesman, if all the service
	Security Act		performed by the individual is performed for remuneration solely by way of commission;
	Workers'	VT. STAT. ANN. tit. 21, § 601 (West)	(14)The term "worker" or "employee" does not include:
	Compensation	Title 21. Labor	(G) An individual who performs services as a real estate broker or real estate salesperson, provided:
		Chapter 9. Employer's Liability and	(i) the individual is licensed to broker or sell real estate pursuant to 26 V.S.A. chapter 41;
		Workers' Compensation	(ii) all the individual's compensation from performing real estate broker or sales
Vermont		§ 601. Definitions	services is based on commissions from sales production or results and is not based on
vermone			time worked or an hourly wage;
			(iii) the services are performed pursuant to a written agreement or contract between the
			individual and the real estate sales or broker business or another person with whom the
			individual is affiliated or associated and the written agreement or contract explicitly states that
			the individual is not considered to be an employee under this chapter and is not eligible for
			coverage under this chapter; and
			(iv) the individual is not treated as an employee for the purposes of federal income and employment taxation
			with regard to the real estate broker or sales services performed.

	Workers'	VA. CODE ANN. § 65.2-101 (West)	2. "Employee" shall not mean:
	Compensation	Title 65.2 Workers' Compensation	2. Employee shairnotmean.
	Compensation	Statute Chapter 1. Definitions and	 c. Any person who is a licensed real estate salesperson, or a licensed real estate broker
		General Provisions	
			associated with a real estate broker, if (i) substantially all of the salesperson's or associated
		§ 65.2-101 Definitions	broker's remuneration is derived from real estate commissions, (ii) the services of the
			salesperson or associated broker are performed under a written contract specifying that the
			salesperson is an independent contractor, and (iii) such contract includes a provision that the
			salesperson or associated broker will not be treated as an employee for federal income tax
Virginia			purposes.
Viigiriia	Real Estate Statute	VA CODE ANN. § 54.1-2101 (West)	For the purposes of this chapter, "real estate salesperson" means any person, or business entity
		Title 54.1. Professions and Occupations	of not more than two persons unless related by blood or marriage, who for compensation or
		Subtitle II, Chapter 21. Real Estate	valuable consideration is employed either directly or indirectly by, or affiliated as an
		Brokers, Sales Persons and Rental	independent contractor with, a real estate broker, to sell or offer to sell, or to buy or offer to buy,
		Location Agents Article 1. Regulation of	or to negotiate the purchase, sale or exchange of real estate, or to lease, rent or offer for rent
		Real Estate Brokers, Salespersons and	any real estate, or to negotiate leases thereof, or of the improvements thereon.
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		§ 54.1-2101. Real estate salesperson	
		defined	
	Labor – Other/General	VA. CODE ANN. § 60.2-212 (West)	A. "Employment" means:
		Title 60.2. Unemployment	
		Compensation Chapter 2. Definitions	D. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection C, an individual who performs services as a real
		§ 60.2-212. Employment	estate salesperson, under direction of a real estate broker under Chapter 21 (§ 54.1-2100 et seq.)
		3 00.2 212. Employment	of Title 54.1, or as a real estate appraiser under Chapter 20.1 (§ 54.1-2009 et seq.) of Title 54.1
			pursuant to an executed independent contractor agreement and for remuneration solely by
			way of commission or fee, shall not be an employee for
		WASH. REV. CODE § 49.46.130	purposes of this chapter. (2) This section does not apply to:
		<u>VVASI I. RE V. CODE 9 45.46.150</u>	(2) This section does not apply to.
		Title 49. Labor Regulations	
	Labor – Other/General:	The ist Laber Hegalacierie	· ·
	Minimum Wage	Chapter 49.46 Minimum Wage	(j) Any individual licensed under chapter 18.85 RCW unless the individual is providing real estate
	Timminani VVage	Requirements and Labor Standards	brokerage services under a written contract with a real estate firm which provides that the
Washington			individual is an employee. For purposes of this subsection (2)(j), "real estate brokerage services"
		§ 49.46.130 Minimum rate of	and "real estate firm" mean the same as defined in RCW 18.85.011.
		compensation for employment in	
		excess of forty hour work week —	
		Exceptions.	
	Labor – Other/General:	WASH. REV. CODE ANN. § 50.04.230	The term "employment" shall not include service performed by an insurance agent, insurance
	Unemployment	(West)	broker, or insurance solicitor or a real estate broker or a real estate salesperson to the extent he or she is compensated by commission and service performed by an investment company agent
	Compensation	Title 50. Unemployment	or solicitor to the extent he or she is compensated by commission. The term "investment
		Compensation Chapter 50.04	company", as used in this section is to be construed as meaning an investment
		Definitions	company as defined in the act of congress entitled "Investment Company Act of 1940."
		§ 50.04.230. Employment – Services of	
		insurance agent, broker, or solicitor,	
		real estate broker or real estate	
		salesperson, and	
		investment company agent or solicitor	
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	Real Estate Licensing Law	WASH. REV. CODE § 18.85.011 and 2015 c 133 1: Real Estate Licensing – Independent Contractor Relationships – Definition [AMENDED by Senate Bill 5125, became effective 7/23/17]	[] (13) "Independent contractor relationship" means a relationship between a broker or managing broker and a real estate firm that satisfies both of the following conditions: (a) No written agreement with the broker or managing broker is an employee of the firm; and (b) substantially all of the broker's or managing broker's compensation is for services related to real estate brokerage services provided by the firm. Nothing in this subsection is intended to relieve the managing broker or real estate firm of the supervisory duties identified in this chapter.
West Virginia	NONE FOUND		
Wisconsin	Real Estate Statue: Independent Contractor Relationship	WIS. STAT. § 452.38	(1) Except as otherwise provided in s. 102.078, a licensee shall not, under ch. 102, 103, 104, or 109, under subch. X of ch. 71 or subch. Il of ch. 111, under any other law or rule other than those specified under sub. (1m), or in any action or proceeding under the common law, be considered an employee of a firm if all of the following are satisfied: (a) A written agreement has been entered into with the firm that provides that the licensee shall not be treated as an employee for federal and state tax purposes. (b) Seventy-five percent or more of the compensation related to sales or other output, as measured on a calendar year basis, paid to the licensee pursuant to the written agreement referenced under par. (a) is directly related to the brokerage services performed by the licensee on behalf of the firm. (Im) This section does not apply with respect to ch. 108 or any rules promulgated thereunder. (2) (a) Subsection (1) applies notwithstanding the requirements and responsibilities of a firm under s. 452.132 and any rules promulgated by the board. (b) Subsection (1) applies regardless of the licensee's status as a supervising broker under s. 452.132. (3) In the case of an individual who is engaged as both an independent contractor and an employee for the same firm, sub. (1) applies only with respect to activities covered under the written agreement referenced under sub. (1) (a).
	Tax	WIS. STAT. ANN. § 71.63 (West) Taxation (Ch. 70 to 79) Chapter 71. Income and Franchise Taxes for State and Local Revenues Subchapter X. Withholding 71.63. Definitions	§ 71.63. Definitions In this subchapter, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise: (2) "Employee"does not include a qualified real estate agent or a direct seller who is not treated as an employee under section 3508 of the Internal Revenue Code.
	Labor – Other/General: Minimum Wage Law	WIS. STAT. ANN. § 104.01 (West) Employment, Compensation and Mining (Ch. 101 to 109) Chapter 104. Minimum Wage Law 104.01. Definitions	(b) "Employee" does not mean 2. An individual excluded under s. 452.38 (independent contractor relationship, see above).
Wyoming	Labor – Other/General: Unemployment Compensation	WYO. STAT. ANN. § 27-3-108 (West) Title 27. Labor and Employment Chapter 3. Unemployment Compensation Article 1. In General § 27-3-108. Services excluded from scope of employment	(a) Employment under this act does not include service performed: (v) As real estate activity under W.S. 33-28-102(b)(xlv) by a responsible broker, associate broker or salesperson licensed under the Real Estate License Act, W.S. 33-28-101 through 33-28-401;