

# ARKANSAS REGISTER

## Proposed Rule Cover Sheet



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Name of Department Department of Labor and Licensing

Agency or Division Name Arkansas Real Estate Commission

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Previous Agency Name, If Applicable \_\_\_\_\_

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Name of Rule 4.6 Pre-Licensure Criminal Background Check and Waiver Request

Newspaper Name Arkansas Democrat Gazette

Date of Publishing July 10-12, 2020

Final Date for Public Comment August 10, 2020

Location and Time of Public Meeting Arkansas Real Estate Commission

Hearing Room and via livestream

612 South Summit Street

Little Rock, AR 72201

August 10, 2020

9:00 A.M.

## NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE AMENDMENT

The Arkansas Real Estate Commission will hold a Public Hearing at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, August 10, 2020, in the Meeting Room of the Arkansas Real Estate Commission building, 612 South Summit Street, Little Rock, Arkansas and via a livestream platform for the purpose of receiving public or written comment on the adoption of proposed rules 4.5 and 4.6. Rule 4.5 pertains to the automatic licensure for active duty service members, veterans, and their spouses; Rule 4.6 pertains to pre-licensure criminal background checks and waiver requests. The comment period will end on August 10, 2020. Subjects and issues involved are as follows:

*Act 820 of 2019 requires occupational licensing agencies to provide for automatic licensure for active duty service members, returning military veterans, and their spouses to engage in their chosen professions. The purpose of new rule 4.5 is to grant automatic licensure for a real estate broker or salesperson license for active duty service members, returning military veterans and their spouses.*

*Act 990 of 2019 requires licensing agencies to promulgate rules for applicants for licensure who have criminal background records. The purpose of new rule 4.6 is to allow individuals with criminal background records to file a petition for a pre-licensure determination of whether the individual's criminal record will disqualify the individual from licensure as a real estate broker or salesperson and whether a waiver may be obtained.*

Copies of the proposed rule may be obtained by writing the Arkansas Real Estate Commission at 612 South Summit Street, Little Rock, Arkansas 72201-4740. Written data used for arguments to proposed rule changes should be submitted to the above address at or prior to the time of the Public Hearing. The Commission may also permit oral testimony or argument at the Public Hearing. All appropriate ADH and otherwise mandated COVID-19 screening and social distancing protocols will be observed, potentially limiting the number of participants admitted to the AREC building; therefore, the meeting will also be made available to participants via livestream. Individuals who wish to attend via livestream can obtain a link by which they may join the meeting on the August Commission Meeting agenda page at <https://arec.arkansas.gov/event/august-commission-meeting/>.

## Sarayla Harshman

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**From:** legalads@arkansasonline.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 8, 2020 8:51 AM  
**To:** Sarayla Harshman  
**Subject:** Re: Full Run AD - Notice of Proposed New Rules 4.5 and 4.6 - Arkansas Real Estate Commission  
**Attachments:** image001.jpg

Sarayla,

Will run as requested.

So you'll understand, this notice will run in print and digitally in all 75 counties in Arkansas only on Sun 7/12; on each of the other days, the notice will run digitally everywhere our subscribers happen to be.

Thank you.

Gregg Sterne, Legal Advertising  
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**From:** "Sarayla Harshman" <Sarayla.Harshman@arkansas.gov>  
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**Sent:** Wednesday, July 8, 2020 8:33:45 AM  
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Gregg,

Please run the attached legal ad in the newspaper beginning July 10, 2020 for a total of three (3) days. The ad needs to appear in all available counties on Friday and Saturday (July 10-11) and in all 75 counties on Sunday (July 12). The public hearing is scheduled to be held on Monday, August 10, 2020 at 9:00 A.M. Please send a notarized copy as proof of the ad along with the bill to the Arkansas Real Estate Commission (address shown below), to the attention of Sarayla Harshman, after the ad has run.

Please confirm receipt of this information as verification of processing. Please contact me with any questions.

Thanks,



**Sarayla Harshman**  
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**\*\*IMPORTANT AREC REMINDER FOR 2020\*\***

-All licensees must complete 7 hours of CE to renew for 2021, which will include a 1-hour Safety course and 6 hours of elective courses. These hours must be completed and submitted by December 31, 2020 to be considered "on time."