



# TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS® SELLER'S DISCLOSURE NOTICE

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Section 5.008, Property Code requires a seller of residential property of not more than one dwelling unit to deliver a Seller's Disclosure Notice to a buyer on or before the effective date of a contract. This form complies with and contains additional disclosures which exceed the minimum disclosures required by the Code.

CONCERNING THE PROPERTY AT 2002 FM 50  
BRENNHAM, TX 77833

THIS NOTICE IS A DISCLOSURE OF SELLER'S KNOWLEDGE OF THE CONDITION OF THE PROPERTY AS OF THE DATE SIGNED BY SELLER AND IS NOT A SUBSTITUTE FOR ANY INSPECTIONS OR WARRANTIES THE BUYER MAY WISH TO OBTAIN. IT IS NOT A WARRANTY OF ANY KIND BY SELLER, SELLER'S AGENTS, OR ANY OTHER AGENT.

Seller ☒ is ☐ is not occupying the Property. If unoccupied (by Seller), how long since Seller has occupied the Property?  
☐ or ☐ never occupied the Property

## Section 1. The Property has the items marked below: (Mark Yes (Y), No (N), or Unknown (U).)

This notice does not establish the items to be conveyed. The contract will determine which items will & will not convey.

Item	Y	N	U
Cable TV Wiring	✓		
Carbon Monoxide Def.		✓	
Ceiling Fans	✓		
Cooktop	✓		
Dishwasher	✓		
Disposal	✓		
Emergency Escape Ladder(s)			✓
Exhaust Fans	✓		
Fences	✓		
Fire Detection Equip.		✓	✓
French Drain		✓	✓
Gas Fixtures		✓	✓

Item	Y	N	U
Gas Lines (Nat/LP)		✓	
Hot Tub	✓		
Intercom System	✓		
Microwave	✓		
Outdoor Grill		✓	
Patio/Decking	✓		
Plumbing System	✓		
Pool			✓
Pool Equipment		✓	
Pool Maint. Accessories		✓	
Pool Heater		✓	
Public Sewer System		✓	

Item	Y	N	U
Pump: <input type="checkbox"/> sump <input type="checkbox"/> grinder		✓	
Rain Gutters	✓		
Range/Stove		✓	
Roof/Attic Vents			
Sauna			
Smoke Detector	✓		
Smoke Detector - Hearing Impaired		✓	
Spa		✓	
Trash Compactor		✓	
TV Antenna		✓	
Washer/Dryer Hookup	✓		
Window Screens	✓		

Item	Y	N	U	Additional Information
Central A/C	✓			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> electric <input type="checkbox"/> gas number of units: <u>4 in main &amp; 2 in quarters</u>
Evaporative Coolers		✓		number of units: <u>Condenser 2006</u>
Wall/Window AC Units		✓		number of units: <u>inside 12/2009</u>
Attic Fan(s)		✓		if yes, describe: _____
Central Heat	✓			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> electric <input type="checkbox"/> gas number of units: <u>1 in main &amp; 1 in quarters</u>
Other Heat		✓		if yes, describe: <u>same</u>
Oven	✓			number of ovens: <u>1</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> electric <input type="checkbox"/> gas <input type="checkbox"/> other: _____
Fireplace & Chimney	✓			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> wood <input type="checkbox"/> gas logs <input type="checkbox"/> mock <input type="checkbox"/> other: _____
Carport		✓		<input type="checkbox"/> attached <input type="checkbox"/> not attached
Garage		✓		<input type="checkbox"/> attached <input type="checkbox"/> not attached
Garage Door Openers		✓		number of units: _____ number of remotes: _____
Satellite Dish & Controls	✓			<input type="checkbox"/> owned <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> leased from <u>Direct TV</u>
Security System		✓		<input type="checkbox"/> owned <input type="checkbox"/> leased from _____
Water Heater	✓			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> electric <input type="checkbox"/> gas <input type="checkbox"/> other: _____ number of units: <u>1 in quarters</u>
Water Softener		✓		<input type="checkbox"/> owned <input type="checkbox"/> leased from _____
Underground Lawn Sprinkler		✓		<input type="checkbox"/> automatic <input type="checkbox"/> manual areas covered: _____
Septic / On-Site Sewer Facility	✓			if yes, attach Information About On-Site Sewer Facility (TAR-1407)

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Water supply provided by: ☐ city ☐ well ☐ MUD ☐ co-op ☐ unknown ☒ other: Bluebonnet DitchWas the Property built before 1978? ☐ yes ☒ no ☐ unknown

(If yes, complete, sign, and attach TAR-1906 concerning lead-based paint hazards).

Roof Type: metal Age: \_\_\_\_\_ (approximate)

Is there an overlay roof covering on the Property (shingles or roof covering placed over existing shingles or roof covering)?

☐ yes ☐ no ☒ unknownAre you (Seller) aware of any of the items listed in this Section 1 that are not in working condition, that have defects, or are need of repair? ☐ yes ☒ no If yes, describe (attach additional sheets if necessary): \_\_\_\_\_**Section 2. Are you (Seller) aware of any defects or malfunctions in any of the following?: (Mark Yes (Y) if you are aware and No (N) if you are not aware.)**

Item	Y	N
Basement		
Ceilings		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Doors		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Driveways		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Electrical Systems		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Exterior Walls		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Item	Y	N
Floors		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Foundation / Slab(s)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Interior Walls		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Lighting Fixtures		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Plumbing Systems		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Roof		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Item	Y	N
Sidewalks		
Walls / Fences		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Windows		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other Structural Components		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

If the answer to any of the items in Section 2 is yes, explain (attach additional sheets if necessary): \_\_\_\_\_

Note: Back door double pane glass seal clouded, Master bedroom door glass single pane**Section 3. Are you (Seller) aware of any of the following conditions: (Mark Yes (Y) if you are aware and No (N) if you are not aware.)**

Condition	Y	N
Aluminum Wiring		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Asbestos Components		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Diseased Trees: <input type="checkbox"/> oak wilt <input type="checkbox"/> _____		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Endangered Species/Habitat on Property		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Fault Lines		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Hazardous or Toxic Waste		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Improper Drainage		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Intermittent or Weather Springs		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Landfill		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Lead-Based Paint or Lead-Based Pt. Hazards		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Encroachments onto the Property		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Improvements encroaching on others' property		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Located in 100-year Floodplain		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Located in Floodway		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Present Flood Ins. Coverage (If yes, attach TAR-1414)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Previous Flooding into the Structures		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Previous Flooding onto the Property		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Previous Fires		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Previous Use of Premises for Manufacture of Methamphetamine		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Condition	Y	N
Previous Foundation Repairs		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Previous Roof Repairs		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other Structural Repairs		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Radon Gas		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Settling		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Soil Movement		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Subsurface Structure or Pits		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Underground Storage Tanks		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Unplatted Easements		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Unrecorded Easements		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Urea-formaldehyde Insulation		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Water Penetration		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Wetlands on Property		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Wood Rot		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Active Infestation of termites or other wood- destroying insects (WDI)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Previous treatment for termites or WDI		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Previous termite or WDI damage repaired		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Termite or WDI damage needing repair		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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If the answer to any of the items in Section 3 is yes, explain (attach additional sheets if necessary): \_\_\_\_\_

Section 4. Are you (Seller) aware of any item, equipment, or system in or on the Property that is in need of repair, which has not been previously disclosed in this notice? ☐ yes ☒ no If yes, explain (attach additional sheets if necessary): \_\_\_\_\_

Section 5. Are you (Seller) aware of any of the following (Mark Yes (Y) if you are aware. Mark No (N) if you are not aware.)

Y N

☐ ☒ Room additions, structural modifications, or other alterations or repairs made without necessary permits or not in compliance with building codes in effect at the time.

☐ ☒ Homeowners' associations or maintenance fees or assessments. If yes, complete the following:

Name of association: \_\_\_\_\_

Manager's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Fees or assessments are: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per \_\_\_\_\_ and are: ☐ mandatory ☐ voluntary

Any unpaid fees or assessment for the Property? ☐ yes (\$ \_\_\_\_\_) ☐ no

If the Property is in more than one association, provide information about the other associations below or attach information to this notice.

☐ ☒ Any common area (facilities such as pools, tennis courts, walkways, or other) co-owned in undivided interest with others. If yes, complete the following:

Any optional user fees for common facilities charged? ☐ yes ☐ no If yes, describe: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ ☒ Any notices of violations of deed restrictions or governmental ordinances affecting the condition or use of the Property.

☐ ☒ Any lawsuits or other legal proceedings directly or indirectly affecting the Property. (Includes, but is not limited to: divorce, foreclosure, heirship, bankruptcy, and taxes.)

☐ ☒ Any death on the Property except for those deaths caused by: natural causes, suicide, or accident unrelated to the condition of the Property.

☐ ☒ Any condition on the Property which materially affects the health or safety of an individual.

☐ ☒ Any repairs or treatments, other than routine maintenance, made to the Property to remediate environmental hazards such as asbestos, radon, lead-based paint, urea-formaldehyde, or mold.

If yes, attach any certificates or other documentation identifying the extent of the remediation (for example, certificate of mold remediation or other remediation).

If the answer to any of the items in Section 5 is yes, explain (attach additional sheets if necessary): \_\_\_\_\_



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Section 6. Seller ☐ has ☐ has not attached a survey of the Property.

Section 7. Within the last 4 years, have you (Seller) received any written inspection reports from persons who regularly provide inspections and who are either licensed as inspectors or otherwise permitted by law to perform inspections? ☐ yes ☒ no If yes, attach copies and complete the following:

Inspection Date	Type	Name of Inspector	No. of Pages

Note: A buyer should not rely on the above-cited reports as a reflection of the current condition of the Property. A buyer should obtain inspections from inspectors chosen by the buyer.

Section 8. Check any tax exemption(s) which you (Seller) currently claim for the Property:

- ☒ Homestead ☒ Senior Citizen ☐ Disabled  
☐ Wildlife Management ☐ Agricultural ☐ Disabled Veteran  
☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Unknown

Section 9. Have you (Seller) ever received proceeds for a claim for damage to the Property (for example, an insurance claim or a settlement or award in a legal proceeding) and not used the proceeds to make the repairs for which the claim was made? ☒ yes ☐ no If yes, explain:

Tree fell on tin portable storage building - Seller going to fix roof.

Section 10. Does the property have working smoke detectors installed in accordance with the smoke detector requirements of Chapter 766 of the Health and Safety Code? ☒ unknown ☐ no ☐ yes. If no or unknown, explain.  
(Attach additional sheets if necessary): \_\_\_\_\_

*\*Chapter 766 of the Health and Safety Code requires one-family or two-family dwellings to have working smoke detectors installed in accordance with the requirements of the building code in effect in the area in which the dwelling is located, including performance, location, and power source requirements. If you do not know the building code requirements in effect in your area, you may check unknown above or contact your local building official for more information.*

*A buyer may require a seller to install smoke detectors for the hearing impaired if: (1) the buyer or a member of the buyer's family who will reside in the dwelling is hearing-impaired; (2) the buyer gives the seller written evidence of the hearing impairment from a licensed physician; and (3) within 10 days after the effective date, the buyer makes a written request for the seller to install smoke detectors for the hearing-impaired and specifies the locations for installation. The parties may agree who will bear the cost of installing the smoke detectors and which brand of smoke detectors to install.*

Seller acknowledges that the statements in this notice are true to the best of Seller's belief and that no person, including the broker(s), has instructed or influenced Seller to provide inaccurate information or to omit any material information.

Mary Turnbow 6/14/10  
Signature of Seller Date Signature of Seller Date  
Printed Name: MARY TURNBOW Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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**ADDITIONAL NOTICES TO BUYER:**

- (1) The Texas Department of Public Safety maintains a database that the public may search, at no cost, to determine if registered sex offenders are located in certain zip code areas. To search the database, visit [www.txdps.state.tx.us](http://www.txdps.state.tx.us). For information concerning past criminal activity in certain areas or neighborhoods, contact the local police department.
- (2) If the property is located in a coastal area that is seaward of the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway or within 1,000 feet of the mean high tide bordering the Gulf of Mexico, the property may be subject to the Open Beaches Act or the Dune Protection Act (Chapter 61 or 63, Natural Resources Code, respectively) and a beachfront construction certificate or dune protection permit may be required for repairs or improvements. Contact the local government with ordinance authority over construction adjacent to public beaches for more information.
- (3) If you are basing your offers on square footage, measurements, or boundaries, you should have those items independently measured to verify any reported information.
- (4) The following providers currently provide service to the property:

Electric: <u>Bluebonnet Elec</u>	phone #: _____
Sewer: <u>septic</u>	phone #: _____
Water: <u>Bluebonnet Water Coops</u>	phone #: _____
Cable: <u>Direct TV</u>	phone #: _____
Trash: <u>n/a</u>	phone #: _____
Natural Gas: <u>n/a</u>	phone #: _____
Phone Company: <u>ATT</u>	phone #: _____
Propane: <u>n/a</u>	phone #: _____

- Internet avail thru Direct TV/ATT
- (5) This Seller's Disclosure Notice was completed by Seller as of the date signed. The brokers have relied on this notice as true and correct and have no reason to believe it to be false or inaccurate. YOU ARE ENCOURAGED TO HAVE AN INSPECTOR OF YOUR CHOICE INSPECT THE PROPERTY.

The undersigned Buyer acknowledges receipt of the foregoing notice.

Signature of Buyer _____	Date _____	Signature of Buyer _____	Date _____
Printed Name: _____		Printed Name: _____	





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INFORMATION ABOUT ON-SITE SEWER FACILITY

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A. DESCRIPTION OF ON-SITE SEWER FACILITY ON PROPERTY:

- (1) Type of Treatment System: ☒ Septic Tank ☐ Aerobic Treatment ☐ Unknown
- (2) Type of Distribution System: field lines ☐ Unknown
- (3) Approximate Location of Drain Field or Distribution System: Run on North side ☐ Unknown
- (4) Installer: Kettler ☐ Unknown
- (5) Approximate Age: Main house 1961 & 1990's Barn 2006 ☐ Unknown

B. MAINTENANCE INFORMATION:

- (1) Is Seller aware of any maintenance contract in effect for the on-site sewer facility? ☐ Yes ☒ No  
If yes, name of maintenance contractor: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ contract expiration date: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Maintenance contracts must be in effect to operate aerobic treatment and certain non-standard on-site sewer facilities.*  
Main House 2009 both tanks
- (2) Approximate date any tanks were last pumped? from quarters for new
- (3) Is Seller aware of any defect or malfunction in the on-site sewer facility? ☐ Yes ☒ No  
If yes, explain: \_\_\_\_\_
- (4) Does Seller have manufacturer or warranty information available for review? ☐ Yes ☒ No

C. PLANNING MATERIALS, PERMITS, AND CONTRACTS:

- (1) The following items concerning the on-site sewer facility are attached:  
☐ planning materials ☐ permit for original installation ☐ final inspection when OSSF was installed  
☐ maintenance contract ☐ manufacturer information ☐ warranty information ☐ \_\_\_\_\_
- (2) "Planning materials" are the supporting materials that describe the on-site sewer facility that are submitted to the permitting authority in order to obtain a permit to install the on-site sewer facility.
- (3) It may be necessary for a buyer to have the permit to operate an on-site sewer facility transferred to the buyer.

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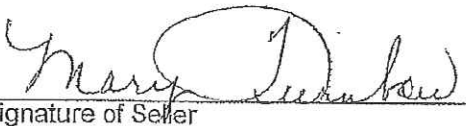
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- D. **INFORMATION FROM GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES:** Pamphlets describing on-site sewer facilities are available from the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Information in the following table was obtained from Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) on 10/24/2002. The table estimates daily wastewater usage rates. Actual water usage data or other methods for calculating may be used if accurate and acceptable to TCEQ.

<u>Facility</u>	<u>Usage (gal/day) without water- saving devices</u>	<u>Usage (gal/day) with water- saving devices</u>
Single family dwelling (1-2 bedrooms; less than 1,500 sf)	225	180
Single family dwelling (3 bedrooms; less than 2,500 sf)	300	240
Single family dwelling (4 bedrooms; less than 3,500 sf)	375	300
Single family dwelling (5 bedrooms; less than 4,500 sf)	450	360
Single family dwelling (6 bedrooms; less than 5,500 sf)	525	420
Mobile home, condo, or townhouse (1-2 bedroom)	225	180
Mobile home, condo, or townhouse (each add'l bedroom)	75	60

This document is not a substitute for any inspections or warranties. This document was completed to the best of Seller's knowledge and belief on the date signed. Seller and real estate agents are not experts about on-site sewer facilities. Buyer is encouraged to have the on-site sewer facility inspected by an inspector of Buyer's choice.

  
Signature of Seller \_\_\_\_\_ Date June 14-10  
MARY TURNBOW

Signature of Seller \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Receipt acknowledged by:

Signature of Buyer \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Buyer \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_





APPROVED BY THE TEXAS REAL ESTATE COMMISSION  
**ADDENDUM FOR SELLER'S DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION  
ON LEAD-BASED PAINT AND LEAD-BASED PAINT HAZARDS  
AS REQUIRED BY FEDERAL LAW**

02-09-2004

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BRENNHAM

(Street Address and City)

**A. LEAD WARNING STATEMENT:** "Every purchaser of any interest in residential real property on which a residential dwelling was built prior to 1978 is notified that such property may present exposure to lead from lead-based paint that may place young children at risk of developing lead poisoning. Lead poisoning in young children may produce permanent neurological damage, including learning disabilities, reduced intelligence quotient, behavioral problems, and impaired memory. Lead poisoning also poses a particular risk to pregnant women. The seller of any interest in residential real property is required to provide the buyer with any information on lead-based paint hazards from risk assessments or inspections in the seller's possession and notify the buyer of any known lead-based paint hazards. A risk assessment or inspection for possible lead-paint hazards is recommended prior to purchase."  
**NOTICE: Inspector must be properly certified as required by federal law.**

**B. SELLER'S DISCLOSURE:**

1. PRESENCE OF LEAD-BASED PAINT AND/OR LEAD-BASED PAINT HAZARDS (check one box only):

☐ (a) Known lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards are present in the Property (explain): \_\_\_\_\_

☒ (b) Seller has no actual knowledge of lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the Property.

2. RECORDS AND REPORTS AVAILABLE TO SELLER (check one box only):

☐ (a) Seller has provided the purchaser with all available records and reports pertaining to lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the Property (list documents): \_\_\_\_\_

☒ (b) Seller has no reports or records pertaining to lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the Property.

**C. BUYER'S RIGHTS** (check one box only):

- ☐ 1. Buyer waives the opportunity to conduct a risk assessment or inspection of the Property for the presence of lead-based paint or lead-based paint hazards.
- ☐ 2. Within ten days after the effective date of this contract, Buyer may have the Property inspected by inspectors selected by Buyer. If lead-based paint or lead-based paint hazards are present, Buyer may terminate this contract by giving Seller written notice within 14 days after the effective date of this contract, and the earnest money will be refunded to Buyer.

**D. BUYER'S ACKNOWLEDGMENT** (check applicable boxes):

☐ 1. Buyer has received copies of all information listed above.

☐ 2. Buyer has received the pamphlet *Protect Your Family from Lead in Your Home*.

**E. BROKERS' ACKNOWLEDGMENT:** Brokers have informed Seller of Seller's obligations under 42 U.S.C. 4852d to: (a) provide Buyer with the federally approved pamphlet on lead poisoning prevention; (b) complete this addendum; (c) disclose any known lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the Property; (d) deliver all records and reports to Buyer pertaining to lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the Property; (e) provide Buyer a period of up to 10 days to have the Property inspected; and (f) retain a completed copy of this addendum for at least 3 years following the sale. Brokers are aware of their responsibility to ensure compliance.

**F. CERTIFICATION OF ACCURACY:** The following persons have reviewed the information above and certify, to the best of their knowledge, that the information they have provided is true and accurate.

Buyer \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Seller Mary Turnbow 6/14/00 Date \_\_\_\_\_

Buyer \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Seller Lindi Braddock 6/14/00 Date \_\_\_\_\_

Other Broker \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Listing Broker \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
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Texas law requires all real estate licensees to give the following information about brokerage services to prospective buyers, tenants, sellers and landlords.

## Information About Brokerage Services

**B**efore working with a real estate broker, you should know that the duties of a broker depend on whom the broker represents. If you are a prospective seller or landlord (owner) or a prospective buyer or tenant (buyer), you should know that the broker who lists the property for sale or lease is the owner's agent. A broker who acts as a subagent represents the owner in cooperation with the listing broker. A broker who acts as a buyer's agent represents the buyer. A broker may act as an intermediary between the parties if the parties consent in writing. A broker can assist you in locating a property, preparing a contract or lease, or obtaining financing without representing you. A broker is obligated by law to treat you honestly.

### IF THE BROKER REPRESENTS THE OWNER:

The broker becomes the owner's agent by entering into an agreement with the owner, usually through a written listing agreement, or by agreeing to act as a subagent by accepting an offer of subagency from the listing broker. A subagent may work in a different real estate office. A listing broker or subagent can assist the buyer but does not represent the buyer and must place the interests of the owner first. The buyer should not tell the owner's agent anything the buyer would not want the owner to know because an owner's agent must disclose to the owner any material information known to the agent.

### IF THE BROKER REPRESENTS THE BUYER:

The broker becomes the buyer's agent by entering into an agreement to represent the buyer, usually through a written buyer representation agreement. A buyer's agent can assist the owner but does not represent the owner and must place the interests of the buyer first. The owner should not tell a buyer's agent anything the owner would not want the buyer to know because a buyer's agent must disclose to the buyer any material information known to the agent.

### IF THE BROKER ACTS AS AN INTERMEDIARY:

A broker may act as an intermediary between the parties if the broker complies with The Texas Real Estate License

Act. The broker must obtain the written consent of each party to the transaction to act as an intermediary. The written consent must state who will pay the broker and, in conspicuous bold or underlined print, set forth the broker's obligations as an intermediary. The broker is required to treat each party honestly and fairly and to comply with The Texas Real Estate License Act. A broker who acts as an intermediary in a transaction:

- (1) shall treat all parties honestly;
- (2) may not disclose that the owner will accept a price less than the asking price unless authorized in writing to do so by the owner;
- (3) may not disclose that the buyer will pay a price greater than the price submitted in a written offer unless authorized in writing to do so by the buyer; and
- (4) may not disclose any confidential information or any information that a party specifically instructs the broker in writing not to disclose unless authorized in writing to disclose the information or required to do so by The Texas Real Estate License Act or a court order or if the information materially relates to the condition of the property.

With the parties' consent, a broker acting as an intermediary between the parties may appoint a person who is licensed under The Texas Real Estate License Act and associated with the broker to communicate with and carry out instructions of one party and another person who is licensed under that Act and associated with the broker to communicate with and carry out instructions of the other party.

If you choose to have a broker represent you, you should enter into a written agreement with the broker that clearly establishes the broker's obligations and your obligations. The agreement should state how and by whom the broker will be paid. You have the right to choose the type of representation, if any, you wish to receive. Your payment of a fee to a broker does not necessarily establish that the broker represents you. If you have any questions regarding the duties and responsibilities of the broker, you should resolve those questions before proceeding.

Real estate licensee asks that you acknowledge receipt of this information about brokerage services for the licensee's records.

*Mary Dwyer*  
Buyer, Seller, Landlord or Tenant

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