

**2018 MEMBERS**

Matt Curtis (Committee Chair), Ted Anastasiou, Aaron Beard, Leslie Becker, Tom Holevas, Cliff Johnson, David Krauss, Philip Minardi, Claire Reisweg, Laird Sager, Ken Willis, and Teresa Wood.

**COMMITTEE CHARGE**

Monitors government regulatory matters, develops policy recommendations, and supports initiatives to promote the common interests of vacation rental managers.

**RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Actively track and engage in local, state and federal legislation and regulations.
- Develop communications and tools to inform, support, and engage members on regulatory matters that affect the VRMA and the vacation rental marketplace.
- Cultivate and engage coalitions of allied organizations to promote the sensible regulation of vacation rentals

**COMPOSITION**

The committee is comprised of one (1) chair. One (1) vice chair is recommended, but not required. In addition to the chair (and vice chair), the committee includes additional members as deemed necessary by the chair to complete the work of the committee. The total number of committee members (including the chair (and vice chair)) shall not exceed eleven (11) individuals. Membership to the committee is held by the individual volunteer and there is a limit to one individual per VRMA member company.

**MEMBERSHIP TERM**

Committee members serve a two (2)-year term, beginning in January and concluding in December of the following calendar year. Committee members are eligible for reappointment, up to six (6) consecutive calendar years. By December 1, a committee member who is interested in reappointment for another term must submit a written letter of interest to the committee chair expressing the reason(s) for continued service.

If a vacancy becomes available a replacement will only be made at the end of a calendar year.

**COMMITMENT**

The committee meets on an as-needed basis via teleconference and, if deemed necessary, in person at VRMA's conferences. The approximate time commitment is one (1) to three (3) hours per month. Committee members are expected to participate in all meetings. If, for whatever reason, a member is unable to participate, he/she must inform the staff liaison(s) in advance. If a member misses three (3) or more consecutive meetings and there has been a consistent lack of engagement, he/she may be separated from the committee upon request of the chair.

**SELECTION & APPOINTMENT**

Committee members are selected by the chair. The chair (and vice chair) are appointed by the board president. Committee member selections are approved by the board.

**REQUIREMENTS**

Committee members shall:

- VRMA member in good standing.
- Express desire to serve with an interest/background in government relations or public policy.
- **Abide by the VRMA conflict of interest policy**
- Desire to advance the mission of VRMA.
- Must be able to carry out the work of the committee.
- Active in the vacation rental management industry.
- Ability to work well with others.
- Ability to make the necessary time commitment.
- Ability to attend and actively participate in conference calls.

Committee Chair:

In addition to the qualifications listed above, when possible the Chair shall have served as Member of the Government Relations Committee.

## ROLES & AUTHORITY

### Make decisions:

- Develop organization strategy regarding public policy and advocacy.
- Drafts public policy position statements to represent the opinions of the broader membership.
- Development of toolkits pertinent to public policy.

### Make recommendations (to the board):

- Legislative policy positions where VRMA needs to submit comment or statements.
- Regarding initiatives, activities, programs, and services that require larger consideration and/or carry expenses that impact VRMA's budget

### Provide input:

- Contributes input on potential coalitions and potential allies.

### Monitor:

- Industry related government regulatory activity.
- Activity of other association that may pertain to VRMA.
- Policy issues that affect the travel and tourism industry and the vacation rental industry.

**STAFF LIAISONS** Greg Holcomb, Government Relations Manager; Mike Copps, Executive Director

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