

NOTICE

Upcoming Appointment to Barrow County Board of Equalization

In accordance with Georgia laws (O.C.G.A. § 45-5-311), and pursuant to Georgia Code Section 15-12-81, notice is hereby given that the Barrow County Grand Jury will appoint (2) two members and (2) alternate members to the Barrow County Board of Equalization during the February Term of the Superior Court of Barrow County, to fill the (2) two expiring terms and (2) unexpired terms. The terms of office for the (2) two members to the board will expire on December 31, 2023 and the (2) two alternate members will expire on December 31, 2025. The grand jury will convene on February 5th and 6th 2024.

Any resident of Barrow County having the following qualifications and an interest in serving on the board may nominate himself or herself for appointment by submitting a nomination form as indicated below:

Qualifications

- (1) Each person who is, in the judgment of the appointing grand jury, qualified and competent to serve as a grand juror, who is the owner of real property, and who is at least a high school graduate shall be qualified, competent, and compellable to serve as a member or alternate member of the board. No member of the governing authority of a county, municipality, or consolidated government; member of a county or independent board of education; member of the county board of tax assessors; employee of the county board of tax assessors; or county tax appraiser shall be competent to serve as a member or alternate member of the board of equalization.
- (2) Within the first year after a member's initial appointment to the board of equalization, each member shall satisfactorily complete not less than 40 hours of instruction in appraisal and equalization processes and procedures, as prepared and required by the commissioner. The failure of any member to fulfill the requirements of this subparagraph shall render that member ineligible to serve on the board; and the vacancy created thereby shall be filled in the same manner as other vacancies on the board are filled.
- (3) No person shall be eligible to hear an appeal as a member of a board of equalization unless, prior to hearing such appeal, that person shall satisfactorily complete the 40 hours of instruction in appraisal and equalization processes and procedures required by law. Any person appointed to such board shall be required to complete annually a continuing education requirement of at least eight hours of instruction in appraisal and equalization procedures, as prepared and required by the commissioner. The failure of any member to fulfill the requirements of this subparagraph shall render that member ineligible to serve on the board; and the vacancy created thereby shall be filled in the same manner as other vacancies on the board are filled.

Term of Office

Board of Equalization Members or Alternate Members serve a three-year term of office. The (2) members appointed will fill the expiring terms beginning January 1, 2024 and expiring on December 31, 2026 and the (2) alternate members appointed will fill the unexpired terms beginning January 1, 2023 and expiring on December 31, 2025.

Nomination Form

Please visit the Barrow County website and complete the BOE application (www.barrowga.org). Click Courts/Clerk of Superior Court/Board of Equalization Application. All applications must be submitted to the Clerk of Superior Court by Wednesday, January 19, 2024.

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