

**STATE LEADERSHIP IDEA EXCHANGE IDEA  
LOUISIANA REALTORS®  
PRESIDENT BETH CRISTINA**

**LOCAL ASSOCIATION LEGAL COUNSEL SERVICES**

This program will provide legal services of Adams & Reese to each local board.

Each local board is entitled to 24 hours (2 hours per month) of professional services on an annual basis. Adams & Reese will bill LR only for the number of hours utilized by a local board up to 24. Any hours incurred over 24 will be billed to the local board.

While each board has retained an attorney as per the core standards, there may be a need for an outside attorney when certain situations arise. This program will allow each local board to ensure compliance of corporate documents and deal with human resources issues, among others, if needed.

Per our strategic plan, Louisiana REALTORS® upholds the following two objectives:

1. Provide members with education and resources to enhance competency and compliance.
2. Continuously improve upon association governance processes and documents.

This program will help take local boards throughout Louisiana to the next level of compliance legally and structurally. Upon presenting the program to members, we received feedback from members and local association executives that this would be a very useful program should the need arise.