



## Membership Application - Auction / Ringman Student Graduate

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Auctioneer License #: \_\_\_\_\_

Physical Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address (if different): \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ Email (required): \_\_\_\_\_

Website: \_\_\_\_\_

Company or Trade Name (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Company License (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

(list information as it should appear on the ISAA website and mailing of the quarterly newsletter)

RECENT AUCTION SCHOOL GRADUATE? \_\_\_\_\_ (If yes) GRADUATION DATE \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_

YEARS IN THE AUCTION INDUSTRY \_\_\_\_\_ NAA MEMBER: Yes No

LIST MEMBERSHIP IN OTHER STATE AUCTIONEER ASSN: \_\_\_\_\_

### Type of Auctions You Conduct

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> AgriBusiness           | <input type="checkbox"/> Benefit / Fundraising / Charity Auctions |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial             | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Property                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> General Auctioneer     | <input type="checkbox"/> Real Estate                              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Independent Contractor | <input type="checkbox"/> Ringman                                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Online Auctions        | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____                             |

Your Specialties: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Organizations and Certifications: \_\_\_\_\_

National Auctioneers Association Member # \_\_\_\_\_

Other State Auctioneers Associations: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Membership Agreement:** I agree to abide by the Code of Ethics and Bylaws of the Association, to pay the annual membership as determined from time to time by the board of governors, and to exercise my rights as an active member of Illinois State Auctioneers Association, Inc. I certify that the information furnished by me is true and correct, and I agree that failure to provide accurate information as requested or any misrepresentation of fact(s) shall be grounds for revocation of my membership.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Type of Membership** \* **AUCTION STUDENT / RINGMAN GRADUATES MEMBERSHIP**  
**FEE WAIVED 1st year of Graduation Date.**

**Auctioneer \$150**

*Auctioneer Members shall be those licensed to conduct auctions in the State of Illinois.*

**Auctioneer Auction Company \$150**

*Auction Company Members shall be those auction companies licensed to conduct auctions in the State of Illinois.*

**Associate Member \$75**

*Associate Members shall be staff, auction helpers, Ringmen or other persons associated with the auction business who are not required to be licensed.*



**CODE OF ETHICS**  
**ILLINOIS STATE AUCTIONEERS**  
**ASSOCIATION, INC.**

Dear ISAA Member,

A signed copy of the ISAA Code of Ethics must be on file at ISAA headquarters to retain membership. Please take the time to fully read the following ISAA Code of Ethics. Then sign and return this form to ISAA with your membership form and dues.

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

**PREAMBLE**

The public auction subjects all possessions to equitable public appraisal and competitive offer and thereby determines fair and current value of all personal goods and estates.

The Auctioneer is the master of procedure and conduct of the public auction. He/she is a confidant of the public, and instrumental in community progress and development. Such functions impose grave responsibilities and duty beyond ordinary business policy to which he/she must dedicate himself / herself and strive to maintain the highest standards of his/her profession and share with his/ her fellow auctioneers a common responsibility of integrity and honor.

Accepting the Golden Rule as his/her standard the Auctioneer pledges to observe the Law of God and of the Land in all his/her dealings and conduct business in accordance with the following of Code of Ethics adopted by the Illinois State Auctioneers Association, Inc. (hereinafter called the Association).

**PART I – PROFESSIONAL RELATIONSHIPS**

**Article 1.** In the best interest of the public, of his/her fellow Auctioneers, and of his/her own business, the Auctioneer should be loyal to the Association.

**Article 2.** The Auctioneers should so conduct his/her business as to avoid dispute with his/her fellow Auctioneers, but in the event of a controversy between two Auctioneers who are members of the Association, he/she should not resort to a lawsuit, but submit his/her difference to arbitration by the Association, and the decision of such arbitration should be accepted as final and binding. If the dispute should be with a nonmember, he/she should offer the services of this Association to arbitrate.

**Article 3.** If a member is charged with unethical practice, he/she should promptly and voluntarily place all the pertinent facts before the proper committee for investigation and report.

**Article 4.** A member shall never publicly criticize a competitor, and where an opinion is specifically requested, it

should be rendered in conformity with strict professional courtesy and dignity.

**Article 5.** A member shall not solicit the services of an employee of a fellow Auctioneer without his/her knowledge and consent. Article 6. In the best interest of society, his/her associates, and his/her own business, the Auctioneer should at all times be loyal to the Association and active in its works; and he/she should willingly share with his/her fellow members the lessons of his/her experience.

**PART II - RELATION TO CLIENTS**

**Article 7.** Injustice of those who place their interests in his / her hands, the Auctioneer should endeavor to keep abreast of business conditions and keep informed in matters of law and proposed legislation affecting such interest so as to give intelligent advice and effective service.

**Article 8.** In accepting the sale of real or personal property, the member pledges himself / herself to be fair to both seller and buyer and to protect the owner's interest as he/she would his / her own.

**Article 9.** When consulted for an appraisal of value or liquidation problem, a member should give a well considered opinion, reflecting expert knowledge and solid judgment, taking requisite time for study, inquiry and deliberation. His / Her counsel represents a professional service which he / she should render in writing and for which he / she should make a reasonable charge. A member should not give an appraisal or offer an opinion on any proposition in which he / she has a direct or indirect interest without a full disclosure of such interest.

**Article 10.** Before accepting an auction, it is the duty of the Auctioneer to advise the owner intelligently and honestly regarding the market value of the business or proposition and the reasonable chance of selling at value or above.

**PART III – RELATIONS TO THE PUBLIC**

**Article 11.** It is the duty of every member to protect the public against fraud, misrepresentation or unethical practices in connection with the sale, disposal or liquidation of any real or personal property the Auctioneer is called upon to dispose of at public auction.

**Article 12.** It is the duty of a member to ascertain all pertinent facts concerning every auction for which he / she is engaged, so that in offering services, he / she may avoid error, exaggeration and misrepresentation.

**Article 13.** An Auctioneer is a confidential trustee of the information given by the seller or gained by him / her through the relationship with the seller and the Auctioneer must never disclose the gross receipts of a sale or any other information that would tend to be a violation of the ethics of the auction profession.

**Article 14.** No special conditions, real or assumed, or inducements or directions from anyone shall relieve members from their responsibility to strictly observe this Code of Ethics.