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Write the <u>Colorado Information Office and Resource Center</u> and <u>legislators</u> about your concerns with HOA governance and homeowner's rights.

Get our free brochures on just about any HOA topic: read before and after you purchase your HOA home. Get informed, make better home buying decisions.

Before you pursue any HOA complaint, read your HOA governing documents, determine "what is" as opposed to what you "want things to be".



Call to Action, <u>See Page 3</u> for issues requesting your involvement.

Selling a Home in an HOA?

<u>Save hundreds of dollars</u> on

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You've already paid this fee via

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New Head of the Colorado State HOA Office

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HOA Complaints and Injunctive Relief

Out of Court Dispute Resolution in the State HOA Office: State supported, very low cost for homeowners and HOAs, saves millions in legal fees

Our DRAFT proposal for HOA Foreclosure Reform

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HOA foreclosures based solely on fines and fees are not legal beginning August 2022 with HB 22-1137

Hey, Where is my HOA Home Sale Transfer Fee Invoice?

2021 Annual HOA Report from the Colorado HOA Office

HOAs, not property management companies, own and manage governing documents

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HOA Sign/Flag Restrictions mostly a thing of the past

What is an Apartment HOA Fee?



The money pit-falls of Boulder's permanently affordable housing within an HOA

Recall Board Members

Colorado Metro Districts Require Oversight

Guide to CCIOA to make research easier #1

Guide to CCIOA to make research easier #2

Rules vs Covenants

Foreclosure Overview (right column)

"Open" vs "Executive Session" Meetings (right column)

All About Foreclosures

HOA 55+: maybe?

Little Known or Discussed HOA Issues

Request a Presentation or a Zoom Call

Buyer and Realtor Should be required to read HOA Governing Documents Prior to closing

HOA Reserve Funds: an ever present flaw with HOAs (HB 22-1387)

Court Rejects Owner's Affirmative

Defenses and Orders Owner to Remove

Unapproved Wall Constructed in Front

Yard

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If you have/had issues with Liens,
Super-liens, Foreclosures, home sale
transfer fees and/or access to HOA
records LET US KNOW. We are
involved in several studies and
legal issues and homeowner feedback is essential.

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How to make voluntary HOA assessments mandatory

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Worth Repeating: HOA Management Companies Don't Own Your Governing Documents, Financial Information, Homeowner Account Data, etc.

HOAs Right of entry into your home

Are HOAs Racist?

Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA) for Board Members insulting, questionable use and likely illegal

Small Claims Court for any and all HOA Homeowner Complaints: We are still pursuing this issue addressed in HB 22-1137. If you go to Small Claims and seek injunctive relief against the HOA this may not happen due to the confusing verbiage in this Bill. The

HOA Office and the Small Claims Court in your area need to publish rules for Small Claims

Court use for homeowner has not detail. The will involve a

recommend

any and all HOA complaints. This happened in cost of this venue filing fee and we you get an

attorney as the HOA will have legal representation (expect to pay \$1,000++) and the HOA will incur several thousand in legal costs. If the HOA wins you most likely will pay their legal costs and if they lose the HOA homeowners will pay HOA and your legal costs: someone will pay for HOA legal costs. This process could skyrocket HOA legal costs for representation in Small Claims over any and all homeowner complaints. Before you use Small Claims (effective mid August 2022) call the court to find out if your case is acceptable.

Our HOA homeowner dispute resolution pro-

cess, endorsed by several State studies, places this function within the State HOA Office, saves homeowners and HOAs millions each year, no cost to taxpayers or businesses, no costly attorney fees for nearly all complaints, total costs to file a complaint and get a decision \$50 or less, paid for with \$1.75 fee per home per year.. Read about this and ask your legislator to support us in this matter.



<u>HOA Home Sale Transfer Fees: become an expert</u> on this <u>misunderstood and abusive fee</u>

If you or anyone you know has paid an HOA Transfer Fee when they sold their home in 2022 we want to hear from them. We will be pursuing full or partial refund of this fee through the court system over the next several months. We need home buyers/sellers documents showing this charge and amount. Learn about this abusive, excessive and duplicate billing fee.

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Also, before going to a lawyer think about asking us for a comment. We try to keep homeowners out of court and provide options to your problems. We are not lawyers and we are not a substitute for legal counsel but can provide insight on your issue based others experiences.