

# RMLS™ Rules Roundup for 2017, January-April 2018



*The RMLS™ Rules and Regulations Committee has requested that reports about the number of formal violations, the type of violations, and the results get shared periodically with subscribers. Read “If a RMLS™ Rule is Broken, What Happens?” for a deeper explanation.*

The RMLS™ Rules and Regulations Committee reviews all formal complaints which allege a violation of the RMLS™ Rules and Regulations. The committee has the power to impose sanctions.

## **Violations in 2017**

Six formal violations were submitted in 2017, resulting in a total of \$2,350.00 in fines being sanctioned. One RMLS™ subscriber had lockbox privileges suspended. The cited violations were as follows:

### Section 5.1.L. Unauthorized Use of RMLS™ Lockbox Access Device or Method

- Not following showing instructions (3)
- Entering a property while in pending status (PEN) without prior approval (2)
- Using the lockbox system for purposes other than real estate business (1)

### **Violations in January through April 2018**

During January through April of 2018, four formal violations were submitted resulting in a total of \$800 in fines being sanctioned. The cited violations were as follows:

### Section 5.1.L. Unauthorized Use of RMLS™ Lockbox Access Device or Method

- Entering a property while it was in pending status (PEN) without prior approval (2)

### Section 5.1.S. Marketing of Listing Prior to RMLS™ Publication

- Marketing a listing prior to publication in RMLSweb (2)

The committee also discusses potential changes to the RMLS™ Rules and Regulations and makes recommendations to the RMLS™ Board of Directors. Subscribers are welcome to submit suggestions to the committee—contact Data Accuracy staff for more information via email or by calling (503) 236-7657.