

# MAKING THE MOST OF YOUR MEMBERSHIP



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## Member spotlight: Rod Slaughter

Vice President, Property Tax / Research,  
Valuation & Advisory - Altus Group, Winnipeg

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### WHAT'S YOUR CURRENT JOB TITLE?

Vice President, Property Tax / Research, Valuation & Advisory - Altus Group, Winnipeg.

### HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN WORKING IN THE INDUSTRY?

20 Years.

### WHAT ARE SOME OF YOUR JOB RESPONSIBILITIES?

I oversee both the tax and valuations divisions of Altus Group in Manitoba, manage the tax division, and consult with clients on property tax and assessment issues. Our local office of 25 professionals serves approximately 600 clients with over 3,000 properties with a total value of nearly \$17 billion, providing appraisal services, market research, tax and assessment consulting, and representation through property tax appeals before Municipal and Provincial tribunal boards.

### HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN A BOMA MEMBER?

15+ years.

### WHY DID YOU BECOME A MEMBER?

For the networking opportunities and further education. I was working at Deloitte when I first learned about BOMA Manitoba, and had heard many positive things about the advantages of being part of the organization, particularly the opportunity to get to know other professionals in the industry.

## WHAT ROLES HAVE YOU BEEN INVOLVED WITH IN BOMA?

I have attended an average of 6 functions per year over my 15 years of membership. I have also presented at two BOMA events – both a breakfast seminar on property taxation, and an afternoon educational session on assessment valuation issues during BOMEX. Our office has also been nominated for the Pinnacle Award for Customer Service Excellence in 2017, and won in 2018, advancing on to the National Awards in Calgary. Although we did not win at the National Awards, I found the entire experience very rewarding.

## WHAT ARE SOME BENEFITS YOU SEE IN BECOMING A MEMBER?

Networking, as well as learning of developments in our city and province at an early stage are two key benefits to BOMA membership. But what I value the most is the opportunity to meet the people who are involved in those developments – from the architects, planners and developers who are creating and enhancing the buildings and spaces in our community, to the managers, consultants and tradespeople who maintain, service and construct those spaces. Its amazing the things you learn from simply getting to know the very knowledgeable people around you at a BOMA event.

## HAS BECOMING A MEMBER HELPED YOU IN YOUR CAREER?

Definitely – I have met many knowledgeable people from the industry through BOMA and have gained a lot from the informative presentations over the years. Further, I have developed new client relationships through BOMA, and at any given event get to connect on a personal level with many existing clients. ■

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