## NAR BUYER AGENT SETTLEMENT ITEMS

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The National Association of REALTORS<sup>®</sup> (NAR) settlement introduces significant changes to real estate transactions regarding buyer agency fees. Key highlights include:

- \*\*Written Agreements\*\*:

Buyers must now sign written agreements with their agents before touring homes, specifying the compensation rate or amount[1][2][5].

- \*\*Compensation Off MLS\*\*:

Offers of buyer agent compensation are no longer allowed on Multiple Listing Services (MLS) databases. Compensation must be negotiated separately[2][3][5].

 - \*\*Negotiable Fees\*\*:
Broker fees and commissions remain fully negotiable and are not set by law[1][4].

- \*\*Settlement Payment\*\*: NAR will pay \$418 million over four years to settle the lawsuit[2][4].

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