

Vote, MAAO Executive Board

Christopher Reidy, MAA

I am Chris Reidy and I am running for a position on the executive board of the MAAO.

I came to assessing late in my career after appraising for 20 years. I had gotten to know many assessors over the course of those years and respected their knowledge of their towns and cities.

I had also been on the Board of Assessors in Shrewsbury for eight years and gained an appreciation for the workload, especially at abatement time.

I even got to pinch hit, on short notice, at an ATB hearing. Yet, I still took the job at Bob Ellia's suggestion when he retired from Shrewsbury.

I became an accredited assessor after 18 months on the job. One of my best initial experiences was taking class 200 where I met a number of future assessors and instructors who have remained friends over the years. It is great to be able to call someone I know for help to deal with the crisis of the day. The ability to call someone for an answer is one of the greatest strengths of the organization. I was fortunate/unfortunate to be involved in the early phase of the solar tidal wave and more fortunate to be able to help others with it.

I would like to be able to return the help I have been given by participating on the state Executive Board. I have served on the Worcester County Assessors Association for eight of my nine years on the job. I started out on the education committee, eventually became the chair, was asked to join the executive board and then served as vice president and president. Throughout these years, I have tried to stress a well-rounded education program to help for all aspects of the job.

I would like to ask for your help in continuing these goals.