# MICHAEL LESCHER

Licensed as a Realtor in April of 1988, I graduated from the Realtors Institute in November of that year and received my Broker's License the following May. I earned the Certified Residential Specialist (CRS) designation in 1999. I was the first Realtor in Illinois to receive the Resort and Second Property designation in 2007 and earned my Short Sale and Foreclosure Resource designation in 2010.

### REGIONAL FAMILIARITY

I have lived in the Chicago suburbs all my life, choosing to settle in Fox Lake to raise my family in 1986 because I loved the area and the lifestyle.

## **COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

I have served as Vice-president and Director of the Fox Lake Chamber of Commerce, President of the Fox Lake Elementary School Board, President of the Fox Lake Economic Development Corporation, and as a Member of both the Lake County Affordable Housing and Fair Housing Task Forces. I have been a Member of Mensa International since 1982. I was appointed to the Fox Waterway Agency Flood Task Force in 2008/09, and currently serve on the Fox Lake Planning Commission and as an alternate member of the Lake County Tax Board of Review.

### REAL ESTATE

I am a Lifetime member of the Illinois Association of Realtors Diamond Club with an annual average of \$6 Million in sales in recent years and a total of over \$150,000,000 in sales since I began selling. As a Member of the Lake County Association of Realtors I have been appointed to and chaired numerous committees and served 8 years on the Board of Directors. I was selected as Associate Realtor of the Year in 1995 and as the Association President in 2006. I received the RE/MAX Hall of Fame award in 1998 and the Lifetime Achievement award in 2006. I have served on several State committees including 4 years on the Commercial/Industrial Committee. I spent 10 years as a Licensed Continuing Education Instructor for the State of Illinois and have spent many years teaching classes for the Board of Realtors.

I've developed a small subdivision or two, built & operated a small strip mall, participate in many commercial and vacant land sales, designed and built 10 homes and remodeled and resold about 20. Those experiences help me understand the concepts we deal with at the Board of Review.

From 2004 to present I have held the position of Corporate Vice-President of RE/MAX Showcase, overseeing 60 agents in our offices in Long Grove, Gurnee and Waukegan. I am Managing Broker of the Gurnee office. Testimonials and references are available on Zillow, LinkedIn and Trulia.

### **PERSONAL**

Married since 1976 to my wife Maxime with 2 children, Alexander born in 1983 and Geneva, born in 1987. I play piano and sing professionally, appearing at local clubs and charity functions and spend my leisure time boating on the Chain O' Lakes.