## "Estimate, Adjust, and Defend©"

# A Real Estate CE Course by Melanie McLane

#### **Relevant Characteristics**

## **Known Adjustments**

#### Data:

- √ Finding it—multiple sources
- ✓ Organizing it
- ✓ Analyzing it
- ✓ Workfile!

## **The Sales Comparison Approach**

- What sellers do and think
- What buyers do and think
- ➤ What agents do and think
- What appraisers do and think

## **Quality and Quantity of Data**

## The "Typical Purchaser" means:

## **Methods to Extract and Support Adjustments:**

- Paired sales Analysis
- Income and Expense
- Cost and Depreciation
- Buyer Interviews

#### **Paired Sales**

#### **Income and Expense Analysis**

## **Cost and Depreciation**

Buyer Interviews
Pros and Cons:
Estimating Land Value
Pros and Cons:
Boilerplate:
Base and Basis:
Appreciation and Depreciation Rates:
<ul><li>✓ Fannie Mae newsletter</li><li>✓ Condition?</li></ul>
Age Adjustments
Energy Efficient Items
Scope of Work
Certifications
Reviews
Common Errors: Top 10
10. Misunderstanding the clients' needs
9. Relying on the clients' interpretation of USPAP
8. Failure to create the proper "scope of work"
7. Not notifying the client of limited expertise or lack of it for an assignment
6. Incomplete research of the subject property
5. Reliance on only one data collection source for comparables
4. Inability to properly explain adjustments and/or final reconciliation

- 3. Failure to identify zoning/ highest and best use issues
- 2. Incomplete work files/ unsigned certifications
- 1. Lack of Geographical Competency

Other common errors:

Biggest issue in disciplinary cases: INCOMPLETE WORKFILE!

Wrap up and Q & A