

## Gerald Klassen Bio

Gerald Klassen is the Research Data Scientist at the Center. He leads development of the Center's advanced data warehouse. He is always thinking about creating new information products that will help Texans make better real estate decisions. He also produces extensive housing statistics that appear in Texas REALTORS® MarketViewer portal, a free service available to all TR members.

Prior to joining the Center in 2008, Mr. Klassen spent 12 years managing and developing portfolio management systems in the investment industry. He worked at Wachovia Global Securities Lending during the collapse of Bear Stearns and Lehman Brothers in the Great Financial Crisis. Prior to that he worked at USAA supporting the Investment Management Company's trading and portfolio systems. Mr. Klassen has a deep understanding of financial markets and a passion for explaining the complexities so others can make informed business decisions.

Mr. Klassen has a BBA in Accounting & Finance, MBA from University of Texas at San Antonio and a Master of Land Economics & Real Estate (MLERE) from Texas A&M University.