



AMERICAN COLLEGE OF REAL ESTATE LAWYERS

MEMBER SELECTION

FORM OF SECONDING LETTER

John M. Nolan
Chair, Member Selection Committee
c/o American College of Real Estate Lawyers
220 N Market Street, Suite 100
Frederick, MD 21701

Dear Mr. Nolan:

It is with great pleasure that I second the nomination of Thad Armstrong for membership in the American College of Real Estate Lawyers made by Douglas A. Yeager.

I have worked extensively with Thad on legal projects for a mutual client and thus have witnessed his work very closely. Thad is an excellent lawyer.

I have received and reviewed the Proposal for Membership submitted by Douglas A. Yeager and certify that Thad Armstrong satisfies the criteria for selection to the College as set forth in Section 4 of the Guidelines for Regular Member Selection. In my opinion and to my knowledge, the Nominee satisfies ACREL's Statement of Professionalism and exemplifies the standards of professional integrity and civility as provided in the Guidelines. I am not (a) in the same firm, business entity, faculty or other organization as the Nominee, (b) related by birth or marriage to the Nominee, or (c) a current Governor or member of the Member Selection Committee of the College. Except as disclosed below, neither the nominee nor his/her employer regularly employs or retains me or my law firm or employer, and my business relationship, if any, with the nominee is as follows: no relationship exists.

I highly recommend Thad Armstrong for membership in ACREL. Thank you.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Barton R. Bentley', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Barton R. Bentley, ACREL Member

cc: Douglas A. Yeager (via email: dyeager@sheppardmullin.com)