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Mr. John Nolan  
Chair, Member Selection Committee  
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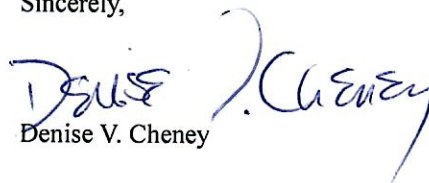
Dear Mr. Nolan:

It is with great pleasure that I second the nomination of Allison Bastian-Rodriguez for membership in the American College of Real Estate Lawyers made by Marilyn Maloney.

I have known Allison for many years. Because we both practice municipal law, we have had professional interactions from time to time over the years in various matters — sometimes we were both representing municipalities and sometimes Allison was representing a city and I was representing a developer. No matter the transaction, I always found Allison to be knowledgeable, courteous and professional, and her positions on issues well-reasoned and thoroughly researched. I was so impressed by Allison, that when I was the Chair of the State Bar of Texas Real Estate, Probate and Trust Law Section (“REPTL”), I nominated her for membership on the REPTL Council. I believed Allison would devote needed time and energy to addressing Council issues, and I wanted to give her the opportunity to exercise her talents for the benefit of the Section. I also know Allison from her work on the State Bar of Texas Real Estate Forms Committee and from her presentations at State Bar seminars. Allison has been a positive addition to the Forms Committee and an enthusiastic participant in continuing legal education seminars. I think that Allison will also be a positive addition to ACREL and will contribute her talents for the benefit of the College.

I have received and reviewed the Proposal for Membership submitted by Marilyn Maloney and certify that Allison Bastian-Rodriguez 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 her employer regularly employs or retains me, or my law firm and I have no business relationship with the nominee.

Sincerely,

  
Denise V. Cheney

Cc: Marilyn Maloney