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

It is with great pleasure that I second the nomination of Jeffrey (Jeff) R. Dollinger for membership in the American College of Real Estate Lawyers made by James (Jim) C. Russick.

Jeff is a brilliant real estate practitioner who is passionate and giving of his time and effort for a more informed bar and public. I recommend him highly.

DI first became acquainted with Jeff through our mutual participation in the Florida Land Title Association's annual Claims Roundtable Conference over a decade ago. I was immediately impressed by his depth of expertise in real estate litigation and title claims, as well as his ability to convey complex issues and solutions with clarity. Since then, I have collaborated with Jeff on numerous occasions to successfully resolve intricate title claims and have confidently recommended him as an exceptional attorney or expert witness for various matters.

One of Jeff's most remarkable attributes is his significant involvement in both legal practice and academia. From 2001 until 2020, Jeff served as an Adjunct Professor at the University of Florida College of Law, where he taught courses on Real Estate Transactions, Land Finance, Corporations, and Advanced Topics in Real Estate. Additionally, I have observed his contributions as an author and frequent speaker for The Florida Bar and Florida Land Title Association, addressing subjects such as boundary disputes, access issues, adverse possession, and water rights. His dual role as a practicing attorney and educator underscores his extensive expertise and unwavering dedication to the field of real estate law.

I have received and reviewed the Proposal for Membership submitted by Jim and certify that Jeff 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: Jeff's firm, Scruggs, Carmichael & Wershow, is an agent of First American for the limited purpose of issuing title insurance commitments and policies, but this limited business relationship has not influenced this recommendation in any way.

In summary, I strongly recommend the nomination of Jeff Dollinger for membership. In addition to Jeff's significant professional qualifications and contributions that qualify him as a distinguished practitioner over his nearly forty-year career, I know Jeff to be an outstanding person who would be an incredible addition to the College.

Yours truly,
ACREL Member

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "L. Prescott", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Leonard Prescott
Senior Division Counsel
Director of Underwriting - Agency Division
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cc: James C. Russick