



AMERICAN COLLEGE OF REAL ESTATE LAWYERS

MEMBER SELECTION

John M. Nolan
Chair, Member Selection Committee
c/o American College of Real Estate Lawyers
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Frederick, MD 21701

Dear Mr. Nolan:

It is with great pleasure that I second the nomination of Wendy Gibbons for membership in the American College of Real Estate Lawyers made by Jim Gosdin.

I have primarily known Wendy's work through industry organizations such as the American Land Title Association (ALTA) and the American College of Mortgage Attorneys (ACMA), and it is uniformly excellent. For example, Wendy and I serve together on the Forms Committee for ALTA. In that role we have worked together drafting new potential coverages and updating numerous existing coverages. A particular example that stands out to me is the work that Wendy and I did together jointly between the Style Subcommittee (which I chair) and the Existing Forms subcommittee (which Wendy co-chairs). In those capacities we literally reviewed and updated *every single* ALTA endorsement together. There and elsewhere I've always found Wendy to be thoughtful and thorough, consistently demonstrating all the qualities of an ACREL Fellow.

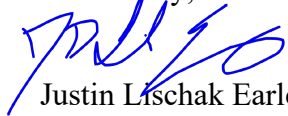
More recently, Wendy and I have worked very closely together through ACMA on the "title insurance waiver" program proposed in the State of the Union address. Wendy chairs the subcommittee of ACMA charged with formulating a position on this subject, and she has executed that charge with skill and dexterity, leading an experienced group of real estate practitioners through some challenging terrain.

Wendy's giveback through speaking and writing is comprehensive. I have personally seen her speak on several complex title insurance issues in the past five years. From survey standards to mechanics' liens to "oddball" endorsements, Wendy is a warm and engaging speaker who contributes her knowledge back to the profession. Her speeches and materials are indicative of the sophistication and probing inquiry expected of ACREL Fellows.

I have received and reviewed the Proposal for Membership submitted by Jim Gosdin and certify that Wendy Gibbons 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: none.

Yours truly,



Justin Lischak Earley

cc: Jim Gosdin, Esq.