



AMERICAN COLLEGE OF REAL ESTATE LAWYERS

MEMBER SELECTION

SECONDING LETTER

October 31, 2024

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 Brent Gilfedder for membership in the American College of Real Estate Lawyers made by Clay Howell.

I have known Brent and his excellent reputation in the Atlanta real estate legal community for a number of years. Specifically, I have recently worked as opposing counsel on real estate finance matters with Brent. In addition, I worked closely with Brent as well as other ACREL members, including Jim Jordan and Josh Kamin, on a Georgia state bar real property law section issue last spring, successfully opposing legislation that would have adversely impacted the Georgia commercial real estate bar. Brent and I are now servicing together as board members of the Georgia Commercial Real Estate Coalition PAC, as part of a group of attorneys in Georgia, including other ACREL attorneys, preparing for the upcoming legislative season in Georgia, and working on a path forward for that legislation that would be a workable solution for a commercial real estate transaction in Georgia. I know that Brent gives freely of his time in the Georgia real estate legal community, speaking, teaching, and writing on current and sophisticated topics of interest to the Georgia and national real estate legal community. He is also active in pro bono matters and community engagement and volunteerism with areas of focus that are complimentary to the real estate legal field.

I have received and reviewed the Proposal for Membership submitted by Clay Howell and certify that Brent Gilfedder 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, Brent 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: N/A

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Michelle Willis', written over a light gray rectangular background.

A. Michelle Willis

ACREL Member

cc: Clay Howell