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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 Michael Hargett for membership in the American College of Real Estate Lawyers made by Andrew "Drew" O'Malley, Esq.


I have known Michael for approximately 8 years through his involvement with The Florida Bar Real Property Probate and Trust Law ("RPPTL"). I have seen firsthand Michael's service to the profession in his capacity serving on the Executive Council of RPPTL. He immediately became active in RPPTL and has served in a leadership role in numerous committees including Communications Committee, Ad Hoc Rules of Civil Procedure, Legislation Committee and Real Property Litigation Committee. My experience with Michael is that he is an excellent attorney who carries with him a solid breath of knowledge of real property law.

As further evidence of Michael's give-back to his profession, Michael was instrumental in multiple efforts on behalf of RPPTL, but in particular, he led the analysis and response to The Florida Supreme Court work group's recommendations relating to amendments to the Florida Rules of Civil Procedure, drafted RPPTL's comments to The Florida Supreme Court, proposes amendments, spoke quarterly and presented at multiple CLEs.

I have received and reviewed the Proposal for Membership submitted by Drew O'Malley and certify Michael Hargett 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. Neither Michael nor his employer, Gunster, Yoakley & Stewart, regularly employs or retains me or my law firm, and my business relationship with Michael is and always has been on a professional basis with Michael representing one party and I another.

Michael is a distinguished real property practitioner who would be a tremendous addition to the College and who, I am confident, would enthusiastically participate in the College's activities.

Sincerely,



Roland D. Waller
ACREL Member

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