



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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Dear Mr. Nolan:

It is with great pleasure that I second the nomination of Peter Irwin for membership in the American College of Real Estate Lawyers made by Joseph Forte.

I've known Peter for about ten or so years. My Company and Debevoise have a large relationship and Peter has often served as my ambassador to the firm as well as assisting us on particular matters including our resort at Stowe Mountain. It has occurred to me throughout our relationship that Peter would make a fantastic addition to the College based on the combination of his preeminence in the field and his gentility and collegiality as a person. He reminds me a bit of Steve Alden, a member of ACREL who also served as the Chair of Debevoise's real estate practice. Steve and Peter both exemplify the notion that one can be a truly superb lawyer and collegial at the same time.

He is an expert on real estate joint ventures and finance as well as private equity real estate funds. He has a sophisticated national practice and I believe would benefit from the relationship building and firsthand access to the best real estate lawyers in the country that ACREL provides.

I have received and reviewed the Proposal for Membership submitted by Joseph Forte and certify that Peter Irwin 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 the nominee nor his/her employer regularly employs or retains me and I have no business relationship with the nominee other than as described above.

Yours truly,

John Mallinson

cc: Joseph Forte