



AMERICAN COLLEGE OF REAL ESTATE LAWYERS

MEMBER SELECTION

SECONDING LETTER

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 Leslie Johnson for membership in the American College of Real Estate Lawyers made by Roland G. Love. For the reasons below, I believe that Leslie is exactly what ACREL is looking for when it comes to finding new young Fellows to carry its standard and brand into the future.

I met Leslie in 2021 at a Texas real estate conference and am currently serving with her on the Texas Real Estate Probate and Trust Law Council, the governing body of the State Bar of Texas real estate section (REPTL). We have also collaborated on highly sensitive client matters, one in particular where Leslie's knowledge and connections made an immediate impact on my client, a very large player in the banking sector. One distinguishing characteristic of Leslie's is the ability to listen to a legal issue, internalize and explain it to anyone, and then apply her entire knowledge base and network to resolve the issue. That is a rare quality that, in my opinion, distinguishes good lawyers from great lawyers. In REPTL, Leslie attends all of our meetings and is engaged in every discussion. When Leslie speaks, she is adding value to the conversation and most likely has already been in an agency meeting, a title industry meeting, or on some conference call that is directly relevant to the legal issue being discussed.

Leslie's résumé is unique and demonstrates how well-rounded she is. Not only does she perform well at work but she leverages her professionalism for the benefit of the industry and her community. Leslie can be counted on to chair CLE programs for both the Texas State Bar and the Texas Land Title Association. Last year, she was excellent as the chair of our Texas Advanced Real Estate 101 Course, which is held on the first day of our largest real estate conference in Texas. She has also been on boards and participates in national issues affecting commercial real estate and regularly volunteers at her church. Leslie is establishing a name for herself as a leader in the industry as well as a mentor for young real estate attorneys. Just recently, I reached out to Leslie to attend an event for the REPTL Leadership Academy, a pipeline program designed to identify young lawyers who can ascend into state bar leadership positions and to build a collegial

network to secure REPTL's future. Leslie answered the call and happily attended and engaged with the young lawyers. She can be counted on to participate where she serves.

At ACREL's annual meeting in New Mexico, I sat in on the Title Insurance Committee meeting and thought that Leslie would fit right in and be able to make a contribution on her first day. In other words, I believe that Leslie will be just the type of new Fellow that ACREL is looking for. She will attend meetings and add value to the organization for years to come.

I have received and reviewed the Proposal for Membership submitted by Roland G. Love and certify that Leslie Johnson 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: N/A

Yours truly,

Christina Jenkins

ACREL Member

cc: Roland G. Love