



AMERICAN COLLEGE OF REAL ESTATE LAWYERS
PROPOSAL FOR MEMBERSHIP

IMPORTANT: Please review the [GUIDELINES](#) for Member Selection and the accompanying [COMMENTARY](#) before completing this proposal.

Nominee Information:

Name: Katherine M. Noonan

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Optional:

- The nominee regularly practices in a different state than the address indicated above or the state in which the nominee resides and should be evaluated in the state of _____.
- The nominee has a nationwide practice and should be evaluated nationally.

The Nominee:

- (a) is a distinguished practitioner;
 - (b) is licensed to practice in the highest court of the state of DC, MD, VA;
 - (c) has had substantial experience in real estate law or a subspecialty thereof for a period of not less than 10 years and devotes not less than approximately 100% of their time to the practice of real estate law. Their particular specialty area is complex commercial real estate transactions.
 - (d) is known to me to be a person of good moral character and reputation.
 - (e) satisfies ACREL's Statement of Professionalism and exemplifies the standards of professional integrity and civility as provided in the Guidelines.
1. Resume. A detailed resume of qualifications evidencing the standards for admission to the College, all as known to me, accompanies this Proposal.

2. Certification as to Qualifications for Admission. I certify that in my opinion the nominee possesses all of the qualifications required for membership in the College, including the requirement that the nominee has “given back” by devoting substantial time and effort to add to a more informed bar or public with respect to matters of real estate law, and to improve real estate practice and real estate law by teaching, writing, working in the organized bar, acting in connection with the adoption of legislation or otherwise performing public service. I have obtained reasonable verification from the nominee that the nominee is in good standing with the bar of the state in which the nominee primarily practices. I have advised the nominee of the various activities of the College and the nominee has stated that, if elected to the College, the nominee would make reasonable efforts to participate in the activities of the College.

To expand, I have known and worked closely with Katie for several years. She and I have represented opposite sides in the extended negotiation of a large, complex, mixed-use development in Washington, D.C., involving the D.C. government as ground lessor, a nationally prominent non-profit, and a joint venture between a private developer and the D.C. United Soccer Club. I'm on the developer's side and Katie on the non-profit's. I also was with Katie most recently at the ABA RPTE meeting in Washington, D.C. earlier this year.

Katie has shown herself to be a careful, knowledgeable, and thoughtful real estate practitioner at the highest levels, and a terrific person. Despite great pressure on multiple fronts, Katie has always been unfailingly pleasant and cooperative but definitely no push-over. She would be an excellent addition to ACREL.

In terms of give-back, as you can see on her resume, Katie has for years done a large volume of high quality writing and speaking about a variety of issues of interest and importance to the real estate bar. Among my personal favorites are her paper on the repeal of the obscure but terrifying deed of lease requirements in Virginia, and extensive scholarship on legal developments arising from the COVID-19 pandemic. Her pro bono activities have been substantive and laudable.

And on top of all of her professional accomplishments, she is a working mom!

3. No Conflict of Interest per Section 3 of the Guidelines. I am not related to the nominee by birth or by marriage. I am not in the same firm, business entity, faculty or other organization of the nominee. Except as disclosed below, neither the nominee nor their employer regularly employs or retains me or my colleagues, and my business relationship, if any, with the nominee is as follows: N/A.
4. Other Proposals Per Nomination. I have not proposed any other nominee for membership with respect to the annual election for this year other than N/A.
5. Prior Nominations. Has the nominee previously been nominated for membership?
X no _____yes

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6. Proposer/Nominator. I am a Regular Member, in good standing, of the American College of Real Estate Lawyers, and maintain my principal office at:

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Respectfully submitted,

Oct 28, 2024
(Date)


(Signature)

David L. Miller
(Printed Name)

Submit this proposal by November 1, 2024 via email to jaburgess@acrel.org.