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VIA E-MAIL

John M. Nolan
Chair, Member Selection Committee
c/o American College of Real Estate Lawyers
220 North Market Street, Suite 100
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Re: Nomination of Andrew Palmieri to the American College of Real Estate Lawyers

Dear Member Selection Committee:

It is with immense pleasure that I nominate Andrew Palmieri for membership in the American College of Real Estate Lawyers. I have known Andrew for over twenty-five years through our shared involvement and leadership roles in the ABA Section of Real Property, Trust and Estate Law ("RPTE") and the American College of Mortgage Attorneys ("ACMA") and I believe he is exactly the type of candidate we seek as a Fellow in ACREL.

I am able to state without reservation that Andrew enjoys a reputation as a highly regarded real property lawyer. As is evidenced from his resume included with this nomination letter, along with a copy of the completed Proposal for Membership, for many years Andrew has been involved in numerous high value, sophisticated and complex commercial real estate transactions, including financing, acquisitions, sales and leasing of various types of commercial real estate properties. He is rated AV Preeminent by his peers as reflected in the Martindale Hubble ratings.

Each of Andrew's seconders has specific experience working with Andrew on transactions. My knowledge of Andrew comes from our work together in RPTE and ACMA, where I have followed him up the leadership ladders in both organizations.

Andrew has dedicated much of his professional career to the advancement of our profession, specifically with respect to matters of real estate law. Before his elevation to Section officer positions, Andrew served as Chair of the Real Property Division CLE Subcommittee and Co-Chair of the Standing CLE Committee for RPTE for several years. In these CLE roles Andrew oversaw the conceptualization,

organization, topic coordination and running of the Section's Spring CLE Symposium, comprised of approximately 32 real property and trust and estate programs. Much of this programming was focused on training the next generation of real estate lawyers. Andrew created the "eCLE" program format for RPTE which became a model for other organizations. I served under Andrew and succeeded him in these roles and was a direct beneficiary of his ability to cultivate a robust and active CLE Committee with a multi-year pipeline of future leaders. Andrew also served as Co-Chair of the Program Committee for ACMA, where he engaged in planning and oversight of ACMA's CLE programming for several Annual Meetings. As President of ACMA this past year Andrew restructured the leadership of the Program Committee, expanding CLE programming to include the Spring Meeting and webinars.

Andrew cultivates others and is a great mentor. At RPTE, he was particularly adept at identifying potential leaders, especially younger ones, really early on, and in finding committee, speaking and other roles within RPTE which would engage these leaders and help them advance more quickly within the organization. As Chair of RPTE and President of ACMA Andrew made sure both organizations contributed to the development of new model rules and commented on important legislation affecting the real estate bar.

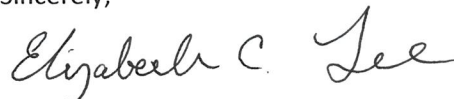
Andrew is strategic. He oversaw significant long term planning efforts for both RPTE and ACMA. At ACMA he has spearheaded a highly successful ongoing effort to recruit younger members. Andrew has also been strategic with his leadership roles in the profession, which have been serial so he could give his all to the organization. As he winds up his year as Immediate Past President of ACMA he will be in a perfect position to contribute to ACREL as a future Fellow. Active participation is in his DNA.

Andrew is equally involved as a leader in his communities. Whether serving his hometown of Alexandria, Virginia, The American University of Rome or his Alma Mater he has decades of experience as a board member and civic leader in addition to his pro bono service.

Andrew is thoughtful, caring, deliberate and deeply respectful of others. He will make a terrific addition to ACREL.

For all of the reasons outlined above, I respectfully, enthusiastically and without reservation nominate Andrew as a Fellow in ACREL. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Elizabeth C. Lee". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned to the right of the word "Sincerely,".

Elizabeth C. Lee