



AMERICAN COLLEGE OF REAL ESTATE LAWYERS
MEMBER SELECTION

John M. Nolan, Esq.
Chair, Member Selection Committee
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Dear John:

It is with great pleasure that I second the nomination of Brooks R. Smith for membership in the American College of Real Estate Lawyers made by Eugene Leone.

I have known Mr. Smith for approximately thirty years. He was a student of mine at the University of Tennessee College of Law, taking several classes in real estate law and related fields. He was a diligent and engaged student who was extremely interested in the subject matter, intended to pursue a career in the field, and has done so quite successfully. I have maintained some contact with him in the years since and know that he is highly respected in the field. While I cannot speak personally to his practice experience and “giveback” in the years since, I know from his resume and from others who know him well that he more than meets the requirements for membership in ACREL.

I have received and reviewed the Proposal for Membership submitted by Mr. Leone and certify that Mr. Smith 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 or my law firm or employer, and I have no business relationship with the nominee.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gregory M. Stein". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent initial 'G'.

Gregory M. Stein

c: Eugene Leone, Esq.