

April 21, 2025

Washington State Bar Association, Real Property, Probate & Trust Section
Attn: Nominating Committee
1325 4th Avenue, Suite 600
Seattle, WA 98101

Re: Statement of Interest for Real Property Council Member Position

Dear Anna, Tiffany, and Devin:

My name is Matthew Reinikka, and I am a third-year attorney working in Ryan, Swanson & Cleveland, PLLC's Real Estate, Development & Finance Group. I am excited to submit my application for one of the vacant Real Property Council Member positions available on the WSBA Real Property, Probate & Trust ("RPPT") Section Executive Committee.

As I approach the conclusion of my two years serving as a Real Property Fellow in the RPPT Section, I seek to remain engaged with the RPPT Section by joining the Real Property Council. I have immensely enjoyed the past two years serving as a Real Property Fellow of the RPPT Section; during that time, I have been given several unique opportunities to engage with RPPT Section members, including by authoring an article for the RPPT Section Newsletter (yet to be published), organizing social events for new lawyers during the 2024 and 2025 RPPT Section Midyear Conferences, and most recently, serving as a Co-Chair of the 2025 RPPT Midyear Conference at Semiahmoo Resort.

The RPPT Section provides invaluable benefits to its members through hosting CLEs, keeping its members apprised of legislative updates, and providing a forum for practitioners to grow their professional networks. Though I am still early in my career as a real estate attorney, my engagement with the RPPT Section has allowed me to develop some of my most meaningful professional connections while remaining sharp on ever-changing areas of real estate law. As I have already enjoyed so many of the benefits of being a member of the RPPT Section, I am eager to continue contributing to the RPPT Section's mission and tradition of giving back to its members by serving as a Real Property Council Member.

Thank you for considering me for the Real Property Council Member position. Please let me know if you have any questions or need any additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Matthew J. Reinikka', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Matthew J. Reinikka