CALL FOR PAPERS

PREA SPONSORED SPECIAL REAL ESTATE ISSUE OF *THE JOURNAL OF PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT*

The Pension Real Estate Association (PREA) announces a call for papers for the 2027 Special Real Estate Issue of *The Journal of Portfolio Management*, published by Institutional Portfolio Research. This will be the thirteenth special issue of JPM sponsored by PREA and devoted entirely to the investment characteristics of real estate. All submitted manuscripts must be original works that have not been submitted for inclusion in another form such as another journal, magazine, or book chapter. The special issue is scheduled to be published in the Fall of 2027.

Authors are invited to submit papers on topics of interest to institutional real estate investors. Appropriate topics include, but are not limited to:

- Issues in real estate portfolio construction for institutional investors.
- Evolving role of real estate as an asset class, including innovations in portfolio structure (e.g., real asset allocations).
- Real estate within a Total Portfolio Approach paradigm or other approaches to asset allocation.
- Innovations in portfolio strategy, structuring, benchmarking, and risk analytics.
- Analyzing the role, performance, and risk of various investment vehicles in institutional portfolios (e.g., open-end and closed-end funds, co-investments, secondary investments, or other structures).
- Risk-return metrics, benchmarks, and risk management for real estate or blended real asset portfolios.
- Real estate capital markets, capital flows, and liquidity.
- Top-down and/or property-level factors as drivers of investment performance.
- International and cross-border investment issues.
- Niche or non-traditional property sectors in institutional portfolios.
- Real estate debt as part of the real estate portfolio.
- Technological disruption, digital tools, energy infrastructure, and proptech.
- Use of artificial intelligence and/or machine learning in real estate investment management.
- Transaction costs, incentive fees, and their impact on performance.

As the Special Real Estate Issue concentrates on topics of interest to institutional real estate investors and not widely represented in other venues, the special issue will not publish papers concentrating solely on REITs. Papers considering REITs within an overall real estate portfolio or strategy, or with implications for the underlying real estate market, are welcome. As a publication widely read by real estate investment professionals, the special issue favors papers that are insightful but also to the point; 7500 words should be considered a maximum although being more concise is generally better. Lengthy literature reviews are not necessary and detailed derivations or methodological sections can be provided as an appendix. The front page of submitted papers should include an abstract and three key takeaways from the paper.

All papers will be reviewed by the editorial board for this special issue or by individuals appointed by them. Authors should submit papers by **March 1, 2027** via e-mail to Frank Fabozzi (fabozzi321@aol.com) and Greg MacKinnon (greg@prea.org) as both PDF and Word file attachments. The subject of the e-mail should state “JPM- RE SPECIAL ISSUE”.

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