
**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

**PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): February 1, 2012

Medical Properties Trust, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Maryland
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-32559
(Commission
File Number)

20-0191742
(IRS Employer
Identification Number)

1000 Urban Center Drive, Suite 501, Birmingham, AL 35242
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

(205) 969-3755
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On February 1, 2012, Medical Properties Trust, Inc. (the “Company”) and its subsidiary, MPT Operating Partnership, L.P. (the “Operating Partnership”), entered into an Underwriting Agreement with Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated and J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, as representatives of the several underwriters (the “Underwriters”), pursuant to which the Company agreed to issue and sell to the Underwriters an aggregate of 20,500,000 shares of common stock, par value \$0.001 per share, of the Company (the “Offering”). The Offering is expected to close on February 7, 2012. The Company also granted the Underwriters a 30-day option to purchase up to 3,075,000 additional shares.

The Company has agreed to indemnify the Underwriters against certain liabilities, including civil liabilities under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or to contribute payments that the Underwriters may be required to make in respect of these liabilities.

The foregoing is a summary description of certain terms of the Underwriting Agreement and is qualified in its entirety by the text of the Underwriting Agreement attached as Exhibit 1.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

The offering and sale of the shares of common stock have been registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, pursuant to the Company’s effective shelf registration statement on Form S-3 (Registration No. 333-164889).

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits.

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
1.1	Underwriting Agreement dated February 1, 2012
5.1	Opinion of Goodwin Procter LLP regarding the legality of shares offered
8.1	Opinion of Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell & Berkowitz, P.C. with respect to certain tax matters
23.1	Consent of Goodwin Procter LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1)
23.2	Consent of Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell & Berkowitz, P.C. (included in Exhibit 8.1)

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunder duly authorized.

MEDICAL PROPERTIES TRUST, INC.

By: /s/ R. Steven Hammer

Name: R. Steven Hammer

Title: Executive Vice President and Chief
Financial Officer (Principal
Financial and Accounting Officer)

Date: February 2, 2012

UNDERWRITING AGREEMENT
MEDICAL PROPERTIES TRUST, INC.

20,500,000 shares of common stock, par value \$0.001 per share

Underwriting Agreement

February 1, 2012

Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated
One Bryant Park
New York, New York 10036

J.P. Morgan Securities LLC
383 Madison Avenue
New York, New York 10179

As Representatives of the
several Underwriters listed
in Schedule 1 hereto

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Medical Properties Trust, Inc., a Maryland corporation (the "Company"), proposes to issue and sell to the several Underwriters listed in Schedule 1 hereto (the "Underwriters"), for whom you are acting as representatives (the "Representatives"), an aggregate of 20,500,000 shares of common stock, par value \$0.001 per share, of the Company (the "Underwritten Shares") and, at the option of the Underwriters, up to an additional 3,075,000 shares of common stock, par value \$0.001 per share of the Company (the "Option Shares"). The Underwritten Shares and the Option Shares are herein referred to as the "Shares." The shares of common stock of the Company to be outstanding after giving effect to the sale of the Shares are referred to herein as the "Stock."

The Company hereby confirms its agreement with the several Underwriters concerning the purchase and sale of the Shares, as follows:

1. Registration Statement. The Company has prepared and filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder (collectively, the "Securities Act"), a registration statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-164889), including a prospectus, relating to the Shares. Such registration statement, as amended at the time it became effective, including the information, if any, deemed pursuant to Rule 430A, 430B or 430C under the Securities Act to be part of the registration statement at the time of its effectiveness ("Rule 430 Information"), is referred to herein as the "Registration Statement"; and as used herein, the term "Preliminary Prospectus" means each prospectus included in such registration statement (and any amendments thereto) before effectiveness, any prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Securities Act and the prospectus included in the Registration Statement at the time of its effectiveness that omits Rule 430 Information, and the term "Prospectus" means the prospectus in the form first used (or made available upon request of purchasers pursuant to Rule 173 under the Securities Act) in connection with confirmation of sales of the Shares. If the

Company has filed an abbreviated registration statement pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act (the “Rule 462 Registration Statement”), then any reference herein to the term “Registration Statement” shall be deemed to include such Rule 462 Registration Statement. Any reference in this Agreement to the Registration Statement, any Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus shall be deemed to refer to and include the documents incorporated by reference therein (each, an “Incorporated Document”) pursuant to Item 12 of Form S-3 under the Securities Act, as of the effective date of the Registration Statement or the date of such Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus, as the case may be, and any reference to “amend,” “amendment” or “supplement” with respect to the Registration Statement, any Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus shall be deemed to refer to and include any documents filed after such date under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder (collectively, the “Exchange Act”) that are deemed to be incorporated by reference therein. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings given to such terms in the Registration Statement and the Prospectus.

The Ernest Acquisition Transactions and Financing Transactions. On January 31, 2012, affiliates of the Company’s operating partnership, MPT Operating Partnership, L.P., a Delaware limited liability partnership and majority owned subsidiary of the Company (the “Operating Partnership”), entered into definitive agreements to make loans to and acquire assets from Ernest Health, Inc. (“Ernest”) and to make an equity contribution to the parent of Ernest for a combined purchase price and investment of approximately \$396.5 million, in each case as described in the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus. These transactions are collectively referred to herein and therein as the “Ernest Acquisition Transactions.”

On January 25, 2012, the Company received a commitment letter and term sheet for an \$80 million new senior unsecured term loan facility. In addition, the Company requested a \$70 million increase (permitting borrowings up to \$400 million) pursuant to the accordion feature in its revolving credit facility that will close contemporaneously with the closing of the new term loan facility. Borrowings under the new term loan facility and the \$400 million credit facility may be used to finance the Ernest Acquisition Transactions. The Company may also use borrowings or net proceeds from other senior debt facilities or issuances to finance the Ernest Acquisition Transactions. These transactions are collectively referred to herein as the “Financing Transactions.”

The agreements governing the Ernest Acquisition Transactions and the Financing Transactions are collectively referred to herein as the “Transactions Agreements.”

At or prior to the Applicable Time (as defined below), the Company had prepared the following information (collectively with the pricing information set forth on Annex A, the “Pricing Disclosure Package”): a Preliminary Prospectus dated January 31, 2012 relating to the Shares and each “free writing prospectus” (as defined pursuant to Rule 405 under the Securities Act), if any, listed on Annex A.

“Applicable Time” means 6:15 p.m., New York City time, on February 1, 2012 or such other time as agreed by the Company and the Representatives.

2. Purchase of the Shares by the Underwriters.

(a) The Company agrees to issue and sell the Underwritten Shares to the several Underwriters as provided in this Agreement, and each Underwriter, on the basis of the representations, warranties and agreements set forth herein and subject to the conditions set forth herein, agrees, severally and not jointly, to purchase from the Company the respective number of Underwritten Shares set forth opposite such Underwriter’s name in Schedule 1 hereto at a price per share (the “Purchase Price”) of \$9.36.

In addition, the Company agrees to issue and sell the Option Shares to the several Underwriters as provided in this Agreement, and the Underwriters, on the basis of the representations, warranties and agreements set forth herein and subject to the conditions set forth herein, shall have the option to purchase, severally and not jointly, from the Company the Option Shares at the Purchase Price less an amount per share equal to any dividends or distributions declared by the Company and payable on the Underwritten Shares but not payable on the Option Shares.

If any Option Shares are to be purchased, the number of Option Shares to be purchased by each Underwriter shall be the number of Option Shares which bears the same ratio to the aggregate number of Option Shares being purchased as the number of Underwritten Shares set forth opposite the name of such Underwriter in Schedule 1 hereto (or such number increased as set forth in Section 10 hereof) bears to the aggregate number of Underwritten Shares being purchased from the Company by the several Underwriters, subject, however, to such adjustments to eliminate any fractional Shares as the Representatives in their sole discretion shall make.

The Underwriters may exercise the option to purchase Option Shares at any time in whole, or from time to time in part, on or before the thirtieth day following the date of the Prospectus, by written notice from the Representatives to the Company. Such notice shall set forth the aggregate number of Option Shares as to which the option is being exercised and the date and time when the Option Shares are to be delivered and paid for, which may be the same date and time as the Closing Date (as hereinafter defined) but shall not be earlier than the Closing Date or later than the seventh full business day (as hereinafter defined) after the date of such notice (unless such time and date are postponed in accordance with the provisions of Section 10 hereof). If after the Closing Date, any such notice shall be given at least two business days prior to the date and time of delivery specified therein.

(b) The Company understands that the Underwriters intend to make a public offering of the Shares as soon after the effectiveness of this Agreement as in the judgment of the Representatives is advisable, and initially to offer the Shares on the terms set forth in the Prospectus. The Company acknowledges and agrees that the Underwriters may offer and sell Shares to or through any affiliate of an Underwriter.

(c) Payment for the Shares shall be made by wire transfer in immediately available funds to the account specified by the Company to the Representatives in the case of the Underwritten Shares, at the offices of Skadden, Arps, Slate Meagher & Flom LLP at 10:00 a.m., New York City time, on February 7, 2012, unless another time or place shall be agreed to by the Representatives and the Company in writing or, in the case of the Option Shares, on the date and at the time and place specified by the Representatives in the written notice of the Underwriters' election to purchase such Option Shares. The time and date of such payment for the Underwritten Shares is referred to herein as the "Closing Date," and the time and date for such payment for the Option Shares, if other than the Closing Date, is herein referred to as the "Additional Closing Date."

Payment for the Shares to be purchased on the Closing Date or the Additional Closing Date, as the case may be, shall be made against delivery to the Representatives for the respective accounts of the several Underwriters of the Shares to be purchased on such date or the Additional Closing Date, as the case may be, with any transfer taxes payable in connection with the sale of such Shares duly paid by the Company. Delivery of the Shares shall be made through the facilities of The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") unless the Representatives shall otherwise instruct.

(d) The Company acknowledges and agrees that the Underwriters are acting solely in the capacity of an arm's length contractual counterparty to the Company with respect to the offering of Shares contemplated hereby (including in connection with determining the terms of the offering) and not as a

financial advisor or a fiduciary to, or an agent of, the Company or any other person. Additionally, neither the Representatives nor any other Underwriter is advising the Company or any other person as to any legal, tax, investment, accounting or regulatory matters in any jurisdiction. The Company shall consult with its own advisors concerning such matters and shall be responsible for making its own independent investigation and appraisal of the transactions contemplated hereby, and the Underwriters shall have no responsibility or liability to the Company with respect thereto. Any review by the Underwriters of the Company, the transactions contemplated hereby or other matters relating to such transactions will be performed solely for the benefit of the Underwriters and shall not be on behalf of the Company.

3. Representations and Warranties of the Company and the Operating Partnership. The Company and the Operating Partnership jointly and severally represent and warrant to each of the Underwriters that:

(a) *Preliminary Prospectus.* No order preventing or suspending the use of any Preliminary Prospectus has been issued by the Commission, and each Preliminary Prospectus included in the Pricing Disclosure Package, at the time of filing thereof, complied in all material respects with the Securities Act and did not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; provided that the Company makes no representation and warranty with respect to any statements or omissions made in reliance upon and in conformity with information relating to any Underwriter furnished to the Company in writing by such Underwriter through the Representatives expressly for use in any Preliminary Prospectus, it being understood and agreed that the only such information furnished by any Underwriter consists of the information described as such in Section 7(b) hereof.

(b) *Pricing Disclosure Package.* The Pricing Disclosure Package as of the Applicable Time did not, and as of the Closing Date and as of the Additional Closing Date, as the case may be, will not, contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; provided that the Company makes no representation and warranty with respect to any statements or omissions made in reliance upon and in conformity with information relating to any Underwriter furnished to the Company in writing by such Underwriter through the Representatives expressly for use in such Pricing Disclosure Package, it being understood and agreed that the only such information furnished by any Underwriter consists of the information described as such in Section 7(b) hereof. No statement of material fact included in the Prospectus has been omitted from the Pricing Disclosure Package and no statement of material fact included in the Pricing Disclosure Package that is required to be included in the Prospectus has been omitted therefrom.

(c) *Issuer Free Writing Prospectus.* The Company (including its agents and representatives, other than the Underwriters in their capacity as such) has not prepared, made, used, authorized, approved or referred to and will not prepare, make, use, authorize, approve or refer to any "written communication" (as defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act) that constitutes an offer to sell or solicitation of an offer to buy the Shares (each such communication by the Company or its respective agents and representatives (other than a communication referred to in clauses (i), (ii), and (iii)) below) an "Issuer Free Writing Prospectus") other than (i) any document not constituting a prospectus pursuant to Section 2(a)(10)(a) of the Securities Act or Rule 134 under the Securities Act or (ii) the Preliminary Prospectus, (iii) the Prospectus, (iv) the documents listed on Annex A hereto and (v) any electronic road show or other written communications, in each case approved in writing in advance by the Representatives. Each such Issuer Free Writing Prospectus complied in all material respects with the Securities Act, has been or will be (within the time period specified in Rule 433) filed in accordance with the Securities Act (to the extent required thereby) and, when taken together with the Preliminary Prospectus accompanying, or delivered

prior to delivery of, such Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, did not, and as of the Closing Date and as of the Additional Closing Date, as the case may be, will not, contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; provided that the Company makes no representation and warranty with respect to any statements or omissions made in each such Issuer Free Writing Prospectus in reliance upon and in conformity with information relating to any Underwriter furnished to the Company in writing by such Underwriter through the Representatives expressly for use in any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, it being understood and agreed that the only such information furnished by any Underwriter consists of the information described as such in Section 7(b) hereof.

(d) *Registration Statement and Prospectus.* The Registration Statement is an “automatic shelf registration statement” as defined under Rule 405 of the Securities Act that has been filed with the Commission not earlier than three years prior to the date hereof; and no notice of objection of the Commission to the use of such registration statement or any amendment thereto pursuant to Rule 401(g)(2) under the Securities Act has been received by the Company. No order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement has been issued by the Commission, and no proceeding for that purpose or pursuant to Section 8A of the Securities Act against the Company or related to the offering of the Shares has been initiated or threatened by the Commission; as of the applicable effective date of the Registration Statement and any amendment thereto, the Registration Statement and any amendment complied and will comply in all material respects with the Securities Act, and did not and will not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary in order to make the statements therein not misleading; and no order preventing or suspending the use of the Prospectus has been issued by the Commission, and as of the date of the Prospectus and any amendment or supplement thereto and as of the Closing Date and as of the Additional Closing Date, as the case may be, the Prospectus will comply in all material respects with the Securities Act, and will not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; provided that the Company makes no representation and warranty with respect to any statements or omissions made in reliance upon and in conformity with information relating to any Underwriter furnished to the Company in writing by such Underwriter through the Representatives expressly for use in the Registration Statement and the Prospectus and any amendment or supplement thereto, it being understood and agreed that the only such information furnished by any Underwriter consists of the information described as such in Section 7(b) hereof.

(e) *Incorporated Documents.* The documents incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Prospectus and the Pricing Disclosure Package, when they were filed with the Commission, conformed in all material respects to the requirements of the Exchange Act, and none of such documents contained any untrue statement of a material fact or omitted to state a material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; and any further documents so filed and incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Prospectus or the Pricing Disclosure Package, when such documents become effective or are filed with the Commission, as the case may be, will conform in all material respects to the requirements of the Securities Act or Exchange Act, as applicable, and will not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.

(f) *Company Financial Statements.* The consolidated financial statements and related notes of the Company thereto included or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus comply in all material respects with the applicable requirements of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act, as applicable, and present fairly the consolidated financial position of the Company and its Subsidiaries as of the dates indicated and the consolidated results of their

operations and changes in their cash flows and in their stockholders' equity of the Company for the periods specified; such financial statements have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a consistent basis throughout the periods covered thereby, and the supporting schedules included or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement present fairly the information required to be stated therein; and the other financial and statistical data with respect to the Company and its Subsidiaries included or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, other than information of the Company's tenants, has been derived from the accounting records of the Company and its Subsidiaries and presents fairly the information shown; the pro forma financial statements of the Company and the related notes thereto included or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus present fairly the information shown therein, have been prepared in accordance with the Commission's rules and guidelines with respect to pro forma financial statements and have been properly compiled on the bases described therein, and the assumptions used in the preparation thereof are reasonable and the adjustments used therein are appropriate to give effect to the transactions and circumstances referred to therein; there are no financial statements (historical or pro forma) that are required to be included or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, any Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus that are not included or incorporated by reference as required; the Company and the Subsidiaries do not have any material liabilities or obligations, direct or contingent (including any off-balance sheet obligations), not described in the Registration Statement (excluding the exhibits thereto), each Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus; and all disclosures contained or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, regarding "non-GAAP financial measures" (as such term is defined by the rules and regulations of the Commission) comply with Regulation G of the Exchange Act and Item 10 of Regulation S-K under the Securities Act, to the extent applicable; the interactive data in eXtensible Business Reporting Language included or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus fairly present the information called for in all material respects and have been prepared in accordance with the Commission's rules and guidelines applicable thereto.

(g) *Ernest Financial Statements.* To the knowledge of the Company, the consolidated financial statements and related notes of Ernest thereto included or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus comply in all material respects with the applicable requirements of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act, as applicable, and present fairly the consolidated financial position of the Ernest and its subsidiaries as of the dates indicated and the consolidated results of their operations and changes in their cash flows and in their stockholders' deficit of the Ernest for the periods specified; such financial statements have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a consistent basis throughout the periods covered thereby, and the supporting schedules included or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement present fairly the information required to be stated therein; and the other financial and statistical data with respect to Ernest and its subsidiaries included or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus has been derived from the accounting records of the Ernest and its subsidiaries and presents fairly the information shown.

(h) *No Material Adverse Change.* Subsequent to the respective dates as of which information is given in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, in each case excluding any amendments or supplements to the foregoing made after the execution of this Agreement, there has not been (i) any material adverse change, or any development involving a prospective material adverse change, in the business, properties, management, financial condition or results of operations of the Company and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole, (ii) any transaction which is material to the Company and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole, (iii) any obligation or liability, direct or contingent (including any off-balance sheet obligations), incurred by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, which is material to the Company and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole, (iv) any material

change in the capital stock or outstanding indebtedness of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries or (v) any dividend or distribution of any kind declared, paid or made on the capital stock of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries.

(i) *Organization and Good Standing.* The Company and its Subsidiaries have been duly organized and are validly existing and in good standing under the laws of their respective jurisdictions of organization (and, with respect to the Company, is in good standing with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of Maryland), are duly qualified to do business and are in good standing in each jurisdiction in which their respective ownership or lease of property or the conduct of their respective businesses requires such qualification, and have all power and authority necessary to own or lease and operate their respective properties and to conduct the businesses in which they are engaged as described in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, except where the failure to be so qualified, in good standing, or have such power or authority would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a material adverse effect on the business, properties, management, financial condition, results of operations or prospects of the Company and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole, or prevent or materially interfere with consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby (a "Material Adverse Effect"). The Company has no subsidiaries (as defined under the Securities Act) other than the subsidiaries identified on Schedule 2 hereto (collectively, the "Subsidiaries"); the Company owns, directly or indirectly, all of the issued and outstanding capital stock or other ownership interest of each of the Subsidiaries, other than the Operating Partnership, Wichita Health Associates Limited Partnership, and Mountain View-MPT Hospital, LLC, of which the Company owns, directly or indirectly, a majority of the limited partnership units or limited liability company membership interests, as the case may be; other than the capital stock or other ownership interest of the Subsidiaries, the Company does not own, directly or indirectly, any shares of stock or any other equity interests or long-term debt securities of any corporation, firm, partnership, joint venture, association or other entity.

(j) *Capitalization of the Company and its Subsidiaries.* As of the date of this Agreement, the Company has an authorized capitalization as set forth in the sections of the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus entitled "Capitalization" and "Description of capital stock", and, as of the time of purchase of the Shares on the Closing Date or any Additional Closing Date, as the case may be, the Company shall have an authorized capitalization as set forth in the sections of the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus entitled "Capitalization" and "Description of capital stock" (subject, in each case, to the issuance of shares of Stock upon exercise of stock options and warrants, or the exercise, conversion or redemption of any other equity-based compensatory awards, disclosed as outstanding in the Registration Statement (excluding the exhibits thereto), the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, the issuance of shares of Stock upon the redemption of Operating Partnership units in accordance with the Second Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of the Operating Partnership, disclosed as outstanding in the Registration Statement (excluding the exhibits thereto), the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, the grant of options and other equity-based awards under existing stock option and other equity-based compensatory plans described in the Registration Statement (excluding the exhibits thereto), the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, and the issuance of shares of Stock, if any, resulting from the exercise of exchange rights pursuant to exchangeable senior notes issued by the Operating Partnership as described in the Registration Statement (excluding the exhibits thereto), each Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus); all of the issued and outstanding shares of capital stock, including the Shares, of the Company have been duly authorized and validly issued and are fully paid and non-assessable, have been issued in compliance with all applicable securities laws and were not issued in violation of any preemptive right, resale right, right of first refusal or similar right; application has been, or will be, made to list the Shares on the New York Stock Exchange (the "NYSE"), and as of the time of purchase of the Shares on the Closing Date or any Additional Closing Date, as the case may be, the Shares shall be duly listed, and admitted and authorized for trading, subject to official notice of issuance;

and all of the outstanding shares of capital stock or other ownership interests of each of the Subsidiaries have been duly authorized and validly issued, are fully paid and non-assessable, have been issued in compliance with all applicable securities laws, were not issued in violation of any preemptive right, resale right, right of first refusal or similar right and except as otherwise described in paragraph (i) above, are owned directly or indirectly by the Company, free and clear of any security interest, other encumbrance or adverse claim, except where such security interests, other encumbrances or adverse claims would not materially affect or interfere in any material respect with the Company's ability to exercise control over each of its Subsidiaries; and no options, warrants or other rights to purchase, agreements or other obligations to issue or other rights to convert any obligation into shares of capital stock or ownership interests in the Subsidiaries are outstanding.

(k) *Due Authorization of the Company.* The Company has full right, power and authority to own, lease and operate its properties and conduct its business as described in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, to execute and deliver this Agreement and to issue, sell and deliver the Shares as contemplated herein.

(l) *Due Authorization of the Shares.* The Shares have been duly and validly authorized and, when issued and delivered against payment therefor as provided herein, will be duly and validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable and free of statutory and contractual preemptive rights, resale rights, rights of first refusal and similar rights.

(m) *Company Capital Stock.* The capital stock of the Company, including the Shares, conforms in all material respects to each description thereof contained or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus; and the certificates for the Shares are in due and proper form.

(n) *Underwriting Agreement.* This Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company and the Operating Partnership.

(o) *The Ernest Acquisition Transactions and Financing Transactions.* The Ernest Acquisition Transactions and Financing Transactions have been duly authorized. The Transaction Agreements have been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company and the Operating Partnership, as applicable.

(p) *No Violation or Default.* Neither the Company nor any of the Subsidiaries is in breach or violation of or in default under (nor has any event occurred which, with notice, lapse of time or both, would result in any breach or violation of, constitute a default under or give the holder of any indebtedness (or a person acting on such holder's behalf) the right to require the repurchase, redemption or repayment of all or a part of such indebtedness under) (A) its respective charter or bylaws, or other organizational documents, or (B) any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, bank loan or credit agreement or other evidence of indebtedness, or any license, lease, contract or other agreement or instrument to which it is a party or any of the Subsidiaries is a party or by which any of them or any of their respective properties may be bound or affected, or (C) any federal, state, local or foreign law, regulation or rule, or (D) any rule or regulation of any self-regulatory organization or other non-governmental regulatory authority (including, without limitation, the rules and regulations of the NYSE), or (E) any decree, judgment or order applicable to the Company or any of the Subsidiaries or any of their respective properties; except with respect to clauses (B) through (E) only for any such breach or violation or default that would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(q) *No Conflicts.* The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement, the issuance and sale of the Shares and the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, the

execution, delivery and performance of the Transactions Agreements and the consummation of the Ernest Acquisition Transactions and Financing Transactions will not conflict with, result in any breach or violation of or constitute a default under (nor constitute any event which, with notice, lapse of time or both, would result in any breach or violation of, constitute a default under or give the holder of any indebtedness (or a person acting on such holder's behalf) the right to require the repurchase, redemption or repayment of all or a part of such indebtedness under) or result in the creation or imposition of a lien, charge or encumbrance on any property or assets of the Company or any Subsidiary pursuant to (A) the charter or bylaws, or other organizational document, of the Company or any of the Subsidiaries or (B) any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, bank loan or credit agreement or other evidence of indebtedness, or any license, lease, contract or other agreement or instrument to which the Company or any of the Subsidiaries is a party or by which any of them or any of their respective properties may be bound or affected, or (C) any federal, state, local or foreign law, regulation or rule, or (D) any rule or regulation of any self-regulatory organization or other non-governmental regulatory authority (including, without limitation, the rules and regulations of the NYSE), or (E) any decree, judgment or order applicable to the Company or any of the Subsidiaries or any of their respective properties; except with respect to clauses (B) through (E) only for any such breach or violation or default that would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(r) *No Consents Required.* No consent, approval, authorization, order, registration or qualification of or with any court or arbitrator or filing with any federal, state, local or foreign governmental or regulatory commission, board, body, authority or agency, or of or with any self-regulatory organization or other non-governmental regulatory authority, or approval of the stockholders of the Company, is required in connection with (A) the issuance and sale of the Shares, compliance by the Company of the terms thereof and the consummation by the Company of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, (B) the Ernest Acquisition Transactions and (C) Financing Transactions, except with respect to clause (A) for such consents, approvals, authorizations, orders and registrations or qualifications as may be required (i) under applicable state securities laws or blue sky laws of the various jurisdictions in which the Shares are being offered by the Underwriters, (ii) registration of the Shares under the Securities Act, which has been effected and (iii) those that have been obtained or will be obtained or completed by the time of purchase of the Shares on the Closing Date or any Additional Closing Date, as the case may be, including the approval for listing and/or qualification of the Shares for trading on the NYSE, and except with respect to clause (B) for such consents, approvals, authorizations, orders and registrations or qualifications as described in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package, the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus.

(s) *Legal Proceedings.* Except as described in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, there are no actions, suits, claims, investigations or proceedings pending or, to the Company's or the Operating Partnership's knowledge, threatened or contemplated to which the Company or any of its Subsidiaries or any of their respective directors or officers is or would be a party or of which any of their respective properties is or would be subject at law or in equity, before or by any federal, state, local or foreign governmental or regulatory commission, board, body, authority or agency, or before or by any self-regulatory organization or other non-governmental regulatory authority (including, without limitation, the NYSE), except any such action, suit, claim, investigation or proceeding which, if resolved adversely to the Company or any Subsidiary, would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect.

(t) *Independent Accountants.* PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, whose report on the consolidated financial statements of the Company and the Subsidiaries as of December 31, 2009 and 2010 and for each of the years in the three (3) year period ended December 31, 2010 is included or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, is an independent registered public accounting firm with respect to the Company and its Subsidiaries within the applicable rules and regulations adopted by the Commission and the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) and as required by the Securities Act.

(u) *Title to Real and Personal Property.*

(i.) The Company and its Subsidiaries have good and marketable title in fee simple to all real property, and good title to all personal property, owned by them, in each case free and clear of all liens, claims, security interests, pledges, charges, encumbrances, encroachments, restrictions, mortgages and other defects, except such as are disclosed in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus or listed as an exception to any owner's or leasehold title insurance policy with respect to such real property and personal property made available by the Company to the Underwriters or their counsel or such as do not materially and adversely affect the value of such property and do not materially interfere with the use made or proposed to be made of such property by the Company and its Subsidiaries; any real property, improvements, equipment and personal property held under lease by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries are held under valid, existing and enforceable leases, with such exceptions as are disclosed in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus or are not material and do not interfere with the use made or proposed to be made of such real property, improvements, equipment or personal property by the Company or such Subsidiary; the Company or a Subsidiary has obtained an owner's or leasehold title insurance policy, from a title insurance company licensed to issue such policy, on any real property owned in fee or leased, as the case may be, by the Company or any Subsidiary, that insures the Company's or the Subsidiary's fee or leasehold interest, as the case may be, in such real property, or a lender's title insurance policy insuring the lien of its mortgage securing the real property with coverage equal to the maximum aggregate principal amount of any indebtedness held by the Company or a Subsidiary and secured by the real property.

(ii.) To the knowledge of the Company and the Operating Partnership and except as previously disclosed in property condition reports provided to the Underwriters or their legal counsel, all real property owned or leased by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, whether owned in fee simple or through a joint venture or other partnership (each, a "Property," and collectively the "Properties"), (i) is free of any material structural defects and all building systems contained therein are in good working order in all material respects, subject to ordinary wear and tear or (ii) in each instance, the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, as the case may be, has either caused tenant to be responsible for such matters or has created or caused to be created an adequate reserve or capital budget to effect reasonably required repairs, maintenance and capital expenditures; to the knowledge of the Company and the Operating Partnership, water, storm water, sanitary sewer, electricity and telephone service are all available at the property lines of such property over duly dedicated streets or perpetual easements of record benefiting such property; to the knowledge of the Company and the Operating Partnership, no notice of any pending or threatened special assessment, tax reduction proceeding or other action that could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect has been received.

(iii.) Each of the properties listed in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus as a property with respect to which the Company or one of its Subsidiaries has a leasehold interest is the subject of a lease that has been duly and validly authorized, executed and delivered by or on behalf of the Company or its Subsidiaries, and to the knowledge of the Company, by each of the other parties thereto and each such lease constitutes a valid and binding agreement of the parties thereto, enforceable in accordance with its terms, except as enforceability may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally or by general principles of equity.

(iv.) There are no real property interests or loans in respect of real property that any of the Company and its Subsidiaries directly or indirectly intends to acquire, lease, originate or underwrite or any contracts, letters of intent, term sheets, agreements, arrangements or understandings with respect to the direct or indirect acquisition, disposition, origination or underwriting by the Company or its Subsidiaries of interests in real property or loans in respect of real property that are required to be described in an S-11 and are not so described in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus.

(v.) To the knowledge of the Company and the Operating Partnership, each of the Properties complies with all applicable zoning laws, ordinances, regulations and deed restrictions or other covenants in all material respects or, if and to the extent there is a failure to comply, such failure does not materially impair the value of any of the Properties and will not result in a forfeiture or reversion of title; to the knowledge of the Company and the Operating Partnership, there is no pending or threatened condemnation, zoning change or other similar proceeding or action that will in any material respect affect the size or use of, improvements on, or construction on or access to the Properties, except such zoning changes, proceedings or actions that individually or in the aggregate would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; to the knowledge of the Company and the Operating Partnership, no lessee of any portion of any of the Properties is in default under any of the leases governing such properties and there is no event which, but for the passage of time or the giving of notice or both would constitute a default under any of such leases, except such defaults that would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; and except as disclosed in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, no tenant under any lease pursuant to which any of the Subsidiaries leases the Properties has an option or right of first refusal to purchase the premises leased thereunder or the building of which such premises are a part, except as such options or rights of first refusal which, if exercised, would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(vi.) The mortgages and deeds of trust encumbering the real property owned by the Company and its Subsidiaries are not convertible nor will the Company hold a participating interest therein and such mortgages and deeds of trust are not cross-defaulted or cross-collateralized to any property not to be owned directly or indirectly by the Company or its Subsidiaries.

(v) *Title to Intellectual Property.* Except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, (A) each of the Company and its Subsidiaries own, or have obtained valid and enforceable licenses for, or other rights to use, the inventions, patent applications, patents, trademarks (both registered and unregistered), tradenames, service names, copyrights, trade secrets and other proprietary information described in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus as being owned or licensed by them or which are necessary for the conduct of, or material to, their respective businesses as currently conducted (collectively, "Intellectual Property"), and (B) the Company is not aware of any claim to the contrary or any challenge by any other person to the rights of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries with respect to the Intellectual Property.

(w) *Intellectual Property Infringement.* To the knowledge of the Company and the Operating Partnership, neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries has infringed or is infringing the intellectual property of a third party, and neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries has received notice of a claim by a third party to the contrary, except for any such notice that would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect;

(x) *No Undisclosed Relationship.* No relationship, direct or indirect, exists between or among the Company, Operating Partnership or any of its Subsidiaries, on the one hand, and the directors, officers, stockholders or other affiliates of the Company, the Operating Partnership or any of its Subsidiaries, on the other, that would be required by the Securities Act to be described pursuant to Section 404 of Regulation S-K in an Annual Report on Form 10-K that is not so described in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package, the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus.

(y) *Investment Company Act.* Neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries is, and, after giving effect to the offering and sale of the Shares and the application of the proceeds thereof as described in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, none of them will be, an “investment company” or an entity “controlled” by an “investment company,” within the meaning of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “Investment Company Act”).

(z) *Taxes.* Each of the Company and its Subsidiaries have timely filed all material tax returns required to be filed through the date hereof or have properly requested extensions thereof, and all material taxes and other assessments of a similar nature (whether imposed directly or through withholding) including any interest, additions to tax or penalties applicable thereto due or claimed to be due from such entities have been timely paid, other than those being contested in good faith and for which adequate reserves have been provided.

(aa) *Licenses and Permits.* Each of the Company and its Subsidiaries has all necessary licenses, permits, authorizations, consents and approvals, possess valid and current certificates, has made all necessary filings required under any federal, state or local law, regulation or rule, and has obtained all necessary authorizations, consents and approvals from other persons, required in order to conduct their respective businesses and own their respective properties and other assets as described in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, except to the extent that any failure to have any such licenses, permits, authorizations, consents or approvals, to make any such filings or to obtain any such authorizations, consents or approvals, individually or in the aggregate, would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; to the knowledge of the Company and the Operating Partnership after due inquiry, each tenant or proposed tenant of the Properties has all necessary licenses, permits, authorizations, consents and approvals, possess valid and current certificates, except to the extent that any failure to have any such licenses, permits, authorizations, consents or approvals, to make any such filings or to obtain any such authorizations, consents or approvals, individually or in the aggregate, would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; each tenant or proposed tenant of the Properties is responsible for making all necessary filings required under any federal, state or local law, regulation or rule and obtain all necessary authorizations, consents and approvals from other persons, required in order to conduct their respective businesses and own their respective properties and other assets as described in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus and to the knowledge of the Company and the Operating Partnership, each tenant or proposed tenant of the Properties has made all such filings and obtained all such authorizations, consents and approvals, if any, except to the extent that any failure to have any such licenses, permits, authorizations, consents or approvals, to make any such filings or to obtain any such authorizations, consents or approvals, individually or in the aggregate, would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; except as disclosed in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries and to the knowledge of the Company and the Operating Partnership, no tenant or proposed tenant of the Properties is required by any applicable law to obtain accreditation or certification from any governmental agency or authority in order to conduct the business or own the properties and other assets which it currently provides or owns or which it proposes to provide or own as described in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, except such accreditations and certifications described in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus all of which have been obtained, except to the extent that any

failure to have any such accreditation or certification, individually or in the aggregate, would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries and to the knowledge of the Company and the Operating Partnership, no tenant or proposed tenant of the Properties is in violation of, or in default under, or has received any written notice regarding a possible violation, default or revocation of any such certificate, license, permit, authorization, consent or approval or any federal, state, local or foreign law, regulation or rule or any decree, order or judgment applicable to the Company or any of its Subsidiaries the effect of which, individually or in the aggregate, would result in a Material Adverse Effect.

(bb) *No Labor Disputes*. Except for matters which would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect, (i) there is (A) no unfair labor practice complaint pending or, to the Company's knowledge, threatened against the Company or any of its Subsidiaries before the National Labor Relations Board, and no grievance or arbitration proceeding arising out of or under collective bargaining agreements is pending or, to the Company's knowledge, threatened, (B) no strike, labor dispute, slowdown or stoppage pending or, to the Company's knowledge, threatened against the Company or any of its Subsidiaries and (C) no union representation dispute currently existing concerning the employees of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, (ii) to the Company's knowledge, no union organizing activities are currently taking place concerning the employees of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries and (iii) there has been no violation of any federal, state, local or foreign law relating to discrimination in the hiring, promotion or pay of employees, any applicable wage or hour laws or any provision of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA") or the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder concerning the employees of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries.

(cc) *Compliance with Environmental Laws*.

(i.) The Company and its Subsidiaries, and to the knowledge of the Company each tenant of the Properties (as defined below), are in compliance with, and the Company and each of its Subsidiaries, and to the knowledge of the Company each tenant of the Properties, hold all permits, authorizations and approvals required under Environmental Laws (as defined below), except to the extent that failure to so comply or to hold such permits, authorizations or approvals would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect; there are no past or present conditions, circumstances, activities, practices, or actions or omissions on the part of the Company or its Subsidiaries that would reasonably be expected to give rise to any material costs or liabilities to the Company or any of its Subsidiaries under, or to interfere with or prevent material compliance by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries with, Environmental Laws; except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect, neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries (i) is the subject of any investigation, (ii) has received any notice or written claim, (iii) is a party to or affected by any pending or, to the Company's knowledge, threatened action, suit or proceeding, (iv) is bound by any judgment, decree or order or (v) has entered into any agreement, in each case relating to any alleged violation of any Environmental Law or any actual or alleged release or threatened release or cleanup at any location of any Hazardous Materials (as defined below) (as used herein, "Environmental Law" means any federal, state, local or foreign law, statute, ordinance, rule, regulation, order, decree, judgment, injunction, permit, license, authorization or other binding requirement, or common law, relating to the protection, cleanup or restoration of the environment or natural resources, including those relating to the distribution, processing, generation, treatment, storage, disposal, transportation, other handling or release or threatened release of Hazardous Materials, and "Hazardous Materials" means any material (including, without limitation, pollutants, contaminants, hazardous or toxic substances or wastes) that is regulated by or may give rise to liability under any Environmental Law).

(ii.) To the knowledge of the Company and the Operating Partnership, there are no costs or liabilities associated with any Environmental Law (including, without limitation, any capital or operating expenditures required for clean-up, closure of properties or compliance with any Environmental Law or any permit, license or approval, any related constraints on operating activities and any potential liabilities to third parties) which, individually or in the aggregate, would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(iii.) To the knowledge of the Company and the Operating Partnership, none of the entities which prepared appraisals of the Properties, nor the entities which prepared Phase I or other environmental assessments with respect to the Properties, was employed for such purpose on a contingent basis or has any substantial interest in the Company or any of the Subsidiaries, and none of their directors, officers or employees is connected with the Company or any of the Subsidiaries as a promoter, selling agent, officer, director or employee.

(dd) *Internal Accounting Controls.* The Company and its Subsidiaries maintain an effective system of internal accounting controls sufficient to provide reasonable assurance that (i) transactions are executed in accordance with management's general or specific authorization; (ii) transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of consolidated financial statements, taken as a whole, in conformity with U.S. GAAP and to maintain accountability for assets; (iii) access to assets is permitted only in accordance with management's general or specific authorization; and (iv) the recorded accountability for assets is compared with existing assets at reasonable intervals and appropriate action is taken with respect to any differences.

(ee) *Disclosure Controls and Procedures; Internal Control Over Financial Reporting.* The Company has established and maintains and evaluates "disclosure controls and procedures" (as such term is defined in Rule 13a-15 and 15d-15 under the Exchange Act) and "internal control over financial reporting" (as such term is defined in Rule 13a-15 and 15d-15 under the Exchange Act); such disclosure controls and procedures are designed to ensure that material information relating to the Company, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to the Company's Chief Executive Officer and its Chief Financial Officer by others within those entities, and such disclosure controls and procedures are effective to perform the functions for which they were established; the Company's independent auditors and the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company (the "Audit Committee") have been advised of: (i) all significant deficiencies, if any, in the design or operation of internal controls which could adversely affect the Company's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data; and (ii) all fraud, if any, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a role in the Company's internal controls; all material weaknesses, if any, in internal controls have been identified to the Company's independent auditors and the Audit Committee; since the date of the most recent evaluation of such disclosure controls and, procedures and internal controls, there have been no significant changes in internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect internal controls, including any corrective actions with regard to significant deficiencies and material weaknesses; the principal executive officers (or their equivalents) and principal financial officers (or their equivalents) of the Company have made all certifications required by the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (the "Sarbanes-Oxley Act") and any related rules and regulations promulgated by the Commission, and the statements contained in each such certification are complete and correct; the Company, the Subsidiaries and the Company's directors and officers are each in compliance in all material respects with all applicable effective provisions of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and the rules and regulations of the Commission and the NYSE promulgated thereunder. The interactive data in eXtensible Business Reporting Language included or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus fairly present the information called for in all material respects and have been prepared in accordance with the Commission's rules and guidelines applicable thereto.

(ff) *Insurance*. The Company and each of its Subsidiaries maintain or arrange for insurance covering their respective properties (not including those properties subject to a triple-net lease pursuant to which the tenant is responsible for maintaining or arranging for insurance relating to such property), personnel and businesses as the Company reasonably deems adequate; such insurance insures against such losses and risks to an extent which is adequate in accordance with customary industry practice to protect the Company and its Subsidiaries and their respective businesses; to the knowledge of the Company and the Operating Partnership, all such insurance is fully in force on the date hereof.

(gg) *Material Contracts*. Neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries has sent or received any communication regarding termination of, or intent not to renew, any of the material contracts or agreements referred to or described in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, and no such termination or non-renewal has been threatened by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries or, to the Company's knowledge, any other party to any such contract or agreement, except for any communication regarding such termination or non-renewal which would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(hh) *No Unlawful Payments*. Neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries (including the Operating Partnership) or, to the knowledge of the Company, any director, officer, employee, agent, affiliate or other person acting on behalf of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries is aware of or has taken any action, directly or indirectly, that would result in a violation by such persons of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder (the "FCPA"), including, without limitation, making use of the mails or any means or instrumentality of interstate commerce corruptly in furtherance of an offer, payment, promise to pay or authorization of the payment of any money, or other property, gift, promise to give, or authorization of the giving of anything of value to any "foreign official" (as such term is defined in the FCPA) or any foreign political party or official thereof or any candidate for foreign political office, in contravention of the FCPA, or which payment, receipt or retention of funds is of a character required to be disclosed in the Registration Statement, any Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus, and the Company and, to the knowledge of the Company, its affiliates have conducted their businesses in compliance with the FCPA and have instituted and maintain policies and procedures designed to ensure, and which are reasonably expected to continue to ensure, continued compliance therewith.

(ii) *Compliance with Money Laundering Law*. The operations of the Company and its Subsidiaries are and have been conducted at all times in compliance with applicable financial recordkeeping and reporting requirements of the Currency and Foreign Transactions Reporting Act of 1970, as amended, the money laundering statutes of all jurisdictions, the rules and regulations thereunder and any related or similar rules, regulations or guidelines, issued, administered or enforced by any governmental agency (collectively, the "Money Laundering Laws") and no action, suit or proceeding by or before any court or governmental agency, authority or body or any arbitrator involving the Company or any of its Subsidiaries with respect to the Money Laundering Laws is pending or, to the knowledge of the Company or the Operating Partnership, threatened.

(jj) *Compliance with OFAC*. None of the Company, any of its Subsidiaries or, to the knowledge of the Company or the Operating Partnership, any director, officer, agent, employee, affiliate or representative of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries is an individual or entity ("Person") currently the subject or target of any sanctions administered or enforced by the United States Government, including, without limitation, the U.S. Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control ("OFAC"), the United Nations Security Council ("UNSC"), the European Union, Her Majesty's Treasury ("HMT"), or other relevant sanctions authority (collectively, "Sanctions"), nor is the Company located, organized or resident in a country or territory that is the subject of Sanctions; and the Company will not, directly or indirectly, use the proceeds of the offering of the Shares hereunder, or lend, contribute or

otherwise make available such proceeds to any subsidiary, joint venture partner or other Person, for the purpose of financing any activities of or business with any Person, or in any country or territory, that, at the time of such financing, is the subject of Sanctions or in any other manner that will result in a violation by any Person (including any Person participating in the transaction, whether as underwriter, advisor, investor or otherwise) of Sanctions.

(kk) *No Restrictions on Subsidiaries.* No Subsidiary is currently prohibited, directly or indirectly, from paying any dividends to the Company, from making any other distribution on such Subsidiary's capital stock, from repaying to the Company any loans or advances to such Subsidiary from the Company or from transferring any of such Subsidiary's property or assets to the Company or any other Subsidiary of the Company, except as described in the Registration Statement (excluding the exhibits thereto), each Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus.

(ll) *No Right to Acquire Preferred Capital Stock.* The issuance and sale of the Shares as contemplated hereby will not cause any holder of any shares of capital stock, securities convertible into or exchangeable or exercisable for capital stock or options, warrants or other rights to purchase capital stock or any other securities of the Company to have any right to acquire any shares of preferred stock of the Company;

(mm) *Lock-up Agreements.* The Company has obtained for the benefit of the Underwriters "lock-up" agreements, substantially in the form set forth as Exhibit A hereto, between you and certain shareholders, directors and "officers" (within the meaning of Rule 16a-1(f) under the Exchange Act) of the Company (identified on the Annex thereto) relating to sales and certain other dispositions of shares of Stock or certain other securities.

(nn) *NYSE.* The Company has not received any notice from the NYSE regarding the delisting of the Common Stock from the NYSE.

(oo) *No Broker's Fees.* Neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries is a party to any contract, agreement or understanding with any person (other than this Agreement) that would give rise to a valid claim against any of them or any Underwriter for a brokerage commission, finder's fee or like payment in connection with the execution and delivery of this Agreement, or the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby or by the Registration Statement.

(pp) *No Registration Rights.* Except as described in the Registration Statement (excluding the exhibits thereto), each Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus, (i) no person has the right, contractual or otherwise, to cause the Company to issue or sell to it any shares of Stock or shares of any other capital stock or other equity interests of the Company, except such rights that have been granted pursuant to the Company's equity incentive plan and the issuance of shares of Stock upon the redemption of outstanding operating partnership units in accordance with the Second Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of the Operating Partnership, (ii) no person has any preemptive rights, resale rights, rights of first refusal or other rights to purchase any shares of Stock or shares of any other capital stock of or other equity interests in the Company, (iii) no person has the right to act as an underwriter or as a financial advisor to the Company in connection with the offer and sale of the Shares and (iv) no person has the right, contractual or otherwise, to cause the Company to register under the Securities Act any shares of Stock or shares of any other capital stock of or other equity interests in the Company, or to include any such shares or interests in the Registration Statement or the offering contemplated hereby.

(qq) *No Stabilization.* Neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries nor any of their respective directors, officers, affiliates or controlling persons has taken, directly or indirectly, any action designed, or which has constituted or could reasonably be expected to cause or result in any stabilization or manipulation of the price of any security of the Company to facilitate the sale or resale of the Shares.

(rr) *Margin Rules.* Neither the issuance, sale and delivery of the Shares nor the application of the proceeds thereof by the Company as described in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus will violate Regulation T, U or X of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System or any other regulation of such Board of Governors.

(ss) *Forward Looking Statements.* No “forward-looking statement” (within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act and Section 21E of the Exchange Act) included or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus has been made or reaffirmed without a reasonable basis or has been disclosed other than in good faith.

(tt) *Statistical and Market Data.* All statistical or market-related data included or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus are based on or derived from sources that the Company believes to be reliable and accurate, and the Company has obtained the written consent to the use of such data from such sources to the extent required.

(uu) *Real Estate Investment Trust.* The Company has qualified to be taxed as a real estate investment trust pursuant to Sections 856 through 860 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”) for all taxable years ended on or prior to December 31, 2011, beginning with its taxable year that began on April 6, 2004 and ended on December 31, 2004, and its current and proposed method of operation as described in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus will enable the Company to continue to meet the requirements for qualification and taxation as a real estate investment trust under the Code for its taxable year ending December 31, 2012 and thereafter; all statements in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus regarding the Company’s qualification and taxation as a real estate investment trust are correct in all material respects; the Company presently intends to continue to qualify as a real estate investment trust under the Code this year and for all subsequent years, and the Company does not know of any existing condition that would cause or is likely to cause the Company to fail to qualify as a real estate investment trust under the Code for the taxable year ending December 31, 2012 or anytime thereafter.

(vv) *Prior to REIT Status.* The Company was at all times from its formation on August 27, 2003 through April 6, 2004 an S corporation within the meaning of Section 1361(a)(1) of the Code.

(ww) *The Operating Partnership.* The Operating Partnership is and has been at all times classified as a partnership or disregarded entity, and not as an association or partnership taxable as a corporation, for federal income tax purposes.

(xx) *Sarbanes-Oxley Act.* There is and has been no failure on the part of Company or any of the Company’s directors or officers, in their capacities as such, to comply with any provision of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, including Section 402 related to loans and Sections 302 and 906 related to certifications.

(yy) *Status.* At the time of filing the Registration Statement and any post-effective amendment thereto, at the earliest time thereafter that the Company or any offering participant made a bona fide offer (within the meaning of Rule 164(h)(2) under the Securities Act) of the Shares and at the date hereof, the Company was not and is not an “ineligible issuer,” and is a well-known seasoned issuer, in each case as defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act.

In addition, any certificate signed by or on behalf of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries and delivered to the Underwriters or to the counsel for the Underwriters in connection with the offering of the Shares shall be deemed to be a representation and warranty by the Company or such Subsidiary, as to matters covered thereby, to each Underwriter.

4. Further Agreements of the Company and the Operating Partnership. The Company and the Operating Partnership covenant and agree with each Underwriter that:

(a) *Required Filings.* The Company will file the final Prospectus with the Commission within the time periods specified by Rule 424(b) and Rule 430A, 430B or 430C under the Securities Act, will file any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus to the extent required by Rule 433 under the Securities Act; will file promptly all reports and any definitive proxy or information statements required to be filed by the Company with the Commission pursuant to Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act subsequent to the date of the Prospectus and for so long as the delivery of a prospectus is required in connection with the offering or sale of the Shares; and will furnish copies of the Prospectus and each Issuer Free Writing Prospectus (to the extent not previously delivered) to the Underwriters in New York City prior to 10:00 a.m., New York City time, on the business day next succeeding the date of this Agreement in such quantities as the Representatives may reasonably request. The Company will pay the registration fee for this offering within the time period required by Rule 456(b)(1) under the Securities Act (without giving effect to the proviso therein).

(b) *Delivery of Copies.* The Company will deliver, without charge, (i) to the Representatives, two signed copies of the Registration Statement as originally filed and each amendment thereto, in each case including all exhibits and consents filed therewith; and (ii) to each Underwriter (A) a conformed copy of the Registration Statement as originally filed and each amendment thereto (without exhibits) and (B) during the Prospectus Delivery Period (as defined below), as many copies of the Prospectus (including all amendments and supplements thereto and documents incorporated by reference therein and each Issuer Free Writing Prospectus) as the Representatives may reasonably request, in case of (i) and (ii)(A) only to the extent such documents are not publicly available on the Commission's Electronic Data Gathering, Analysis, and Retrieval system. As used herein, the term "Prospectus Delivery Period" means such period of time after the first date of the public offering of the Shares as in the opinion of counsel for the Underwriters a prospectus relating to the Shares is required by law to be delivered (or required to be delivered but for Rule 172 under the Securities Act) in connection with sales of the Shares by any Underwriter or dealer.

(c) *Amendments or Supplements, Issuer Free Writing Prospectuses.* During the Prospectus Delivery Period, before preparing, using, authorizing, approving, referring to or filing any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, and before filing any amendment or supplement to the Registration Statement or the Prospectus, the Company will furnish to the Representatives and counsel for the Underwriters a copy of the proposed Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, amendment or supplement for review and will not prepare, use, authorize, approve, refer to or file any such Issuer Free Writing Prospectus or file any such proposed amendment or supplement to which the Representatives reasonably object.

(d) *Notice to the Representatives.* Prior to the later of (x) Closing or (y) the expiration of the Prospectus Delivery Period, the Company will advise the Representatives promptly, and confirm such advice in writing, (i) when any amendment to the Registration Statement has been filed or becomes effective; (ii) when any supplement to the Prospectus or any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus or any amendment to the Prospectus has been filed; (iii) of any request by the Commission for any amendment to the Registration Statement or any amendment or supplement to the Prospectus or the receipt of any comments from the Commission relating to the Registration Statement or any other request by the Commission for any additional information; (iv) of the issuance by the Commission of any order

suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement or preventing or suspending the use of any Preliminary Prospectus, any of the Pricing Disclosure Package or the Prospectus or the initiation or threatening of any proceeding for that purpose or pursuant to Section 8A of the Securities Act; (v) of the occurrence of any event within the Prospectus Delivery Period as a result of which the Prospectus, the Pricing Disclosure Package or any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus as then amended or supplemented would include any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances existing when the Prospectus, the Pricing Disclosure Package or any such Issuer Free Writing Prospectus is delivered to a purchaser, not misleading; (vi) of the receipt by the Company of any notice of objection of the Commission to the use of the Registration Statement or any post-effective amendment thereto pursuant to Rule 401(g)(2) under the Securities Act; and (vii) of the receipt by the Company of any notice with respect to any suspension of the qualification of the Shares for offer and sale in any jurisdiction or the initiation or threatening of any proceeding for such purpose; and the Company will use its commercially reasonable best efforts to prevent the issuance of any such order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement, preventing or suspending the use of any Preliminary Prospectus, any of the Pricing Disclosure Package or the Prospectus or suspending any such qualification of the Shares and, if any such order is issued, to obtain as soon as possible the withdrawal thereof.

(e) *Ongoing Compliance.* (1) If during the Prospectus Delivery Period, (i) any event shall occur or condition shall exist as a result of which the Prospectus as then amended or supplemented would include any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances existing when the Prospectus is delivered to a purchaser, not misleading or (ii) it is necessary to amend or supplement the Prospectus to comply with law, the Company will immediately notify the Underwriters thereof and forthwith prepare and, subject to paragraph (c) above, file with the Commission and furnish to the Underwriters and to such dealers as the Representatives may designate such amendments or supplements to the Prospectus as may be necessary so that the statements in the Prospectus as so amended or supplemented will not, in the light of the circumstances existing when the Prospectus is delivered to a purchaser, be misleading or so that the Prospectus will comply with law and (2) if at any time prior to the Closing Date, (i) any event shall occur or condition shall exist as a result of which the Pricing Disclosure Package as then amended or supplemented would include any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances existing when the Pricing Disclosure Package is delivered to a purchaser, not misleading or (ii) it is necessary to amend or supplement the Pricing Disclosure Package to comply with law, the Company will immediately notify the Underwriters thereof and forthwith prepare and, subject to paragraph (c) above, file with the Commission (to the extent required) and furnish to the Underwriters and to such dealers as the Representatives may designate such amendments or supplements to the Pricing Disclosure Package as may be necessary so that the statements in the Pricing Disclosure Package as so amended or supplemented will not, in the light of the circumstances existing when the Pricing Disclosure Package is delivered to a purchaser, be misleading or so that the Pricing Disclosure Package will comply with law.

(f) *Blue Sky Compliance.* The Company will qualify the Shares for offer and sale under the securities or blue sky laws of such jurisdictions as the Representatives shall reasonably request and will continue such qualifications in effect so long as required for distribution of the Shares; provided that the Company shall not be required to (i) qualify as a foreign corporation or other entity or as a dealer in securities in any such jurisdiction where it would not otherwise be required to so qualify, (ii) file any general consent to service of process in any such jurisdiction or (iii) subject itself to taxation in any such jurisdiction if it is not otherwise so subject.

(g) *Earning Statement.* The Company will make generally available to its security holders and the Representatives as soon as practicable an earning statement that satisfies the provisions of Section

11(a) of the Securities Act and Rule 158 of the Commission promulgated thereunder covering a period of at least twelve months beginning with the first fiscal quarter of the Company occurring after the “effective date” (as defined in Rule 158) of the Registration Statement.

(h) *Clear Market*. For a period of 90 days after the date of the Prospectus (the “Lock-Up Period”), the Company will not (i) offer, pledge, sell, contract to sell, sell any option or contract to purchase, purchase any option or contract to sell, grant any option, right or warrant to purchase or otherwise transfer or dispose of, directly or indirectly, or file with the Commission a registration statement under the Securities Act relating to, any shares of Stock or any securities convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for Stock, or publicly disclose the intention to make any such offer, pledge, sale, disposition or filing or (ii) enter into any swap or other agreement that transfers, in whole or in part, any of the economic consequences of ownership of the Stock, whether any such transaction described in clause (i) or (ii) above is to be settled by delivery of Stock or such other securities, in cash or otherwise, without the prior written consent of the Representatives, other than (a) the Shares to be sold hereunder; (b) issuances of shares of Stock upon the exercise of options, other equity-based compensatory awards, or warrants or the conversion or redemption of any security disclosed as outstanding in the Registration Statement (excluding the exhibits thereto), the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus; (c) the issuance of shares of Stock upon the redemption of operating partnership units disclosed as outstanding in the Registration Statement (excluding the exhibits thereto), the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus in accordance with the Second Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of the Operating Partnership; or (d) the filing by the Company of any registration statement on Form S-8 or a successor form thereto. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if (a) during the period that begins on the date that is fifteen (15) calendar days plus three (3) business days before the last day of the Lock-Up Period and ends on the last day of the Lock-Up Period, the Company issues an earnings release or material news or a material event relating to the Company occurs; or (b) prior to the expiration of the Lock-Up Period, the Company announces that it will release earnings results during the sixteen (16) day period beginning on the last day of the Lock-Up Period, then the restrictions imposed by this Lock-Up Agreement shall continue to apply until the expiration of the date that is fifteen (15) calendar days plus three (3) business days after the date on which the issuance of the earnings release or the material news or material event occurs; provided, however, that this proviso will not apply if, as of the expiration of the 90-day restricted period, the Representatives determine that (i) the safe harbor provided by Rule 139 under the Securities Act is available for all of the Underwriters in the manner contemplated by Rule 2711(f)(4) of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc., as administered by the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. (“FINRA”) and (ii) the Company’s shares of Stock are “actively traded securities”, as defined in Regulation M, 17 CFR 242.101(c)(1); provided, further, that in no event will the restricted period extend for more than thirty (30) days plus three (3) business days after the end of the 90-day restricted period.

(i) *Use of Proceeds*. The Company will apply the net proceeds from the sale of the Shares as described in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus under the heading “Use of Proceeds.”

(j) *DTC*. The Company and the Operating Partnership will assist the Underwriters in arranging for the Shares to be eligible for clearance and settlement through DTC.

(k) *No Stabilization*. The Company will not take, directly or indirectly, any action designed to or that could reasonably be expected to cause or result in any stabilization or manipulation of the price of the Stock.

(l) *Exchange Listing*. The Company will use its commercially reasonable best efforts to list, subject to notice of issuance, the Shares on the NYSE.

(m) *Reports*. For a period of three (3) years from the date hereof, the Company will furnish to the Representatives, as soon as they are available, copies of all reports or other communications (financial or other) furnished to holders of the Shares, and copies of any reports and financial statements furnished to or filed with the Commission or any national securities exchange or automatic quotation system; provided the Company will be deemed to have furnished such reports and financial statements to the Representatives to the extent they are filed on the Commission's Electronic Data Gathering, Analysis, and Retrieval system.

(n) *Record Retention*. The Company will, pursuant to reasonable procedures developed in good faith, retain copies of each Issuer Free Writing Prospectus that is not filed with the Commission in accordance with Rule 433 under the Securities Act.

5. Certain Agreements of the Underwriters. Each Underwriter hereby represents and agrees that it has not used, authorized use of, referred to or participated in the planning for use of, and will not use, authorize use of, refer to or participate in the planning for use of, any "free writing prospectus," as defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act (which term includes use of any written information furnished to the Commission by the Company and not incorporated by reference into the Registration Statement and any press release issued by the Company) other than (i) a free writing prospectus that contains no "issuer information" (as defined in Rule 433(h)(2) under the Securities Act) that was not included (including through incorporation by reference) in the Preliminary Prospectus or a previously filed Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, (ii) any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus listed on Annex A or prepared pursuant to Section 3(c) or Section 4(c) above (including any electronic road show), or (iii) any free writing prospectus prepared by such underwriter and approved by the Company in advance in writing (each such free writing prospectus referred to in clauses (i) or (iii), an "Underwriter Free Writing Prospectus").

6. Conditions of Underwriters' Obligations. The obligation of each Underwriter to purchase the Underwritten Shares on the Closing Date or the Option Shares on the Additional Closing Date, as the case may be, as provided herein is subject to the performance by the Company of its covenants and other obligations hereunder and to the following additional conditions:

(a) *Registration Compliance; No Stop Order*. No order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement shall be in effect, and no proceeding for such purpose, pursuant to Rule 401(g)(2) under the Securities Act, or pursuant to Section 8A under the Securities Act shall be pending before or explicitly threatened by the Commission; the Prospectus and each Issuer Free Writing Prospectus shall have been timely filed with the Commission under the Securities Act (in the case of an Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, to the extent required by Rule 433 under the Securities Act) and in accordance with Section 4(a) hereof; and all requests by the Commission for additional information shall have been complied with to the reasonable satisfaction of the Representatives.

(b) *Representations and Warranties*. The representations and warranties of the Company and the Operating Partnership contained herein shall be true and correct on the date hereof and on and as of the Closing Date or the Additional Closing Date, as the case may be; and the statements of the Company and its officers made in any certificates delivered pursuant to this Agreement shall be true and correct on and as of the Closing Date or the Additional Closing Date, as the case may be.

(c) *No Downgrade*. Subsequent to the earlier of (A) the Applicable Time and (B) the execution and delivery of this Agreement, if there are any debt securities or preferred stock of, or guaranteed by, the Company or any of its subsidiaries that are rated by a "nationally recognized statistical rating organization," as such term is defined in Section 3(a)(62) of the Exchange Act, (i) no downgrading shall have occurred in the rating accorded any such debt securities or preferred stock and (ii) no such

organization shall have publicly announced that it has under surveillance or review, or has changed its outlook with respect to, its rating of any such debt securities or preferred stock (other than an announcement with positive implications of a possible upgrading).

(d) *No Material Adverse Change.* No event or condition of a type described in Section 3(v) hereof shall have occurred or shall exist, which event or condition is not described in the Pricing Disclosure Package (excluding any amendment or supplement thereto) and the Prospectus (excluding any amendment or supplement thereto) and the effect of which in the judgment of the Representatives makes it impracticable or inadvisable to proceed with the offering, sale or delivery of the Shares on the Closing Date or the Additional Closing Date, as the case may be, on the terms and in the manner contemplated by this Agreement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus.

(e) *Officer's Certificate.* The Representatives shall have received on and as of the Closing Date or the Additional Closing Date, as the case may be, a certificate of the chief financial officer or chief accounting officer of the Company and one additional senior executive officer of the Company, in that capacity and as sole member of the general partner of the Operating Partnership, who is satisfactory to the Representatives (i) confirming that such officers have carefully reviewed the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus and, to the knowledge of such officers, the representations set forth in Sections 3(b) and 3(d) hereof are true and correct, (ii) confirming that the other representations and warranties of the Company in this Agreement are true and correct and that the Company has complied with all agreements and satisfied all conditions on its part to be performed or satisfied hereunder at or prior to the Closing Date or the Additional Closing Date, as the case may be, and (iii) to the effect set forth in paragraphs (a) and (d) above.

(f) *Comfort Letters.* On the date of this Agreement and on the Closing Date or the Additional Closing Date, as the case may be, each of (i) PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, which has certified the consolidated financial statements of the Company and its Subsidiaries, (ii) Moss Adams LLP, which has certified the consolidated financial statements of Prime Healthcare Services, Inc. and its subsidiaries, and (iii) Ernst & Young LLP, which has certified the consolidated financial statements of Ernest and its subsidiaries, all have furnished to the Representatives, at the request of the Company, letters, dated the respective dates of delivery thereof and addressed to the Underwriters, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Representatives, containing statements and information of the type customarily included in accountants' "comfort letters" to underwriters with respect to the financial statements and certain financial information contained or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus; provided that the letter delivered on the Closing Date or the Additional Closing Date, as the case may be, shall use a "cut-off" date no more than three (3) business days prior to such Closing Date or such Additional Closing Date, as the case may be.

(g) *Opinion and Negative Assurance Letter of Counsel for the Company.* Goodwin Procter LLP, counsel for the Company, shall have furnished to the Representatives, at the request of the Company, their written opinion and negative assurance letter, dated the Closing Date or the Additional Closing Date, as the case may be, and addressed to the Underwriters, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Representatives, substantially in the form set forth in Annex B hereto.

(h) *Opinion and Negative Assurance Letter of Counsel for the Underwriters.* The Representatives shall have received on and as of the Closing Date or the Additional Closing Date, as the case may be, an opinion and negative assurance letter of Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, counsel for the Underwriters, with respect to such matters as the Representatives may reasonably request, and such counsel shall have received such documents and information as they may reasonably request to enable them to pass upon such matters.

(i) *Opinion of Tax Counsel for the Company.* Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell & Berkowitz, P.C., tax counsel of the Company, shall have furnished to the Representatives, at the request of the Company, their written opinion, dated the Closing Date or the Additional Closing Date, as the case may be, and addressed to the Underwriters, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Representatives, substantially in the form set forth in Annex C hereto.

(j) *No Legal Impediment to Issuance.* No action shall have been taken and no statute, rule, regulation or order shall have been enacted, adopted or issued by any federal, state or foreign governmental or regulatory authority that would, as of the Closing Date or the Additional Closing Date, as the case may be, prevent the issuance or sale of the Shares; and no injunction or order of any federal, state or foreign court shall have been issued that would, as of the Closing Date or the Additional Closing Date, as the case may be, prevent the issuance or sale of the Shares.

(k) *Good Standing.* The Representatives shall have received on and as of the Closing Date or the Additional Closing Date, as the case may be, satisfactory evidence of (i) the good standing of the Company and its significant subsidiaries listed on Schedule 2 hereto (as identified by an asterisk (“*”) beside the name thereof) in their respective jurisdictions of organization and (ii) the good standing of the Company and the Operating Partnership as foreign entities in such other jurisdictions as shown opposite their name on Schedule 2 hereto, in each case in writing or any standard form of telecommunication from the appropriate governmental authorities of such jurisdictions.

(l) *DTC.* The Securities shall be eligible for clearance and settlement through DTC.

(m) *Exchange Listing.* The Shares to be delivered on the Closing Date or Additional Closing Date, as the case may be, shall have been approved for listing on the NYSE, subject to official notice of issuance.

(n) *Lock-up Agreements.* The “lock-up” agreements, each substantially in the form set forth as Exhibit A hereto, between you and certain shareholders, officers and directors of the Company (identified on the Annex thereto) relating to sales and certain other dispositions of shares of Stock or certain other securities, delivered to you on or before the date hereof, shall be full force and effect on the Closing Date or Additional Closing Date, as the case may be.

(o) *Chief Financial Officer Certificate.* The Representatives shall have received on the date hereof and as of the Closing Date or the Additional Closing Date, as the case may be, a certificate of the Company’s Chief Financial Officer, on behalf of the Company for itself and as sole member of the general partner of the Operating Partnership, substantially in the form attached as Annex D hereto.

(p) *Additional Documents.* On or prior to the Closing Date or the Additional Closing Date, as the case may be, the Company shall have furnished to the Representatives such further certificates and documents as the Representatives may reasonably request.

All opinions, letters, certificates and evidence mentioned above or elsewhere in this Agreement shall be deemed to be in compliance with the provisions hereof only if they are in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to counsel for the Underwriters.

7. Indemnification and Contribution.

(a) *Indemnification of the Underwriters.* The Company agrees to indemnify and hold harmless each Underwriter, its affiliates, selling agents, directors and officers and each person, if any, who controls such Underwriter within the meaning of Section 15 of the Securities Act or Section 20 of the Exchange Act, from and against any and all losses, claims, damages and liabilities (including, without limitation, reasonable legal fees and other expenses incurred in connection with any suit, action or proceeding or any claim asserted, as such fees and expenses are incurred), joint or several, that arise out of, or are based upon, (i) any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in the Registration Statement or caused by any omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary in order to make the statements therein, not misleading, (ii) or any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in the Prospectus (or any amendment or supplement thereto), any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, any “issuer information” filed or required to be filed pursuant to Rule 433(d) under the Securities Act, any road show as defined in Rule 433(h) under the Securities Act (a “road show”) or any Pricing Disclosure Package (including any Pricing Disclosure Package that has subsequently been amended), or caused by any omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, in each case except insofar as such losses, claims, damages or liabilities arise out of, or are based upon, any untrue statement or omission or alleged untrue statement or omission made in reliance upon and in conformity with any information relating to any Underwriter furnished to the Company in writing by such Underwriter through the Representatives expressly for use therein, it being understood and agreed that the only such information furnished by any Underwriter consists of the information described as such in subsection (b) below.

(b) *Indemnification of the Company.* Each Underwriter agrees, severally and not jointly, to indemnify and hold harmless the Company, its directors, its officers who signed the Registration Statement and each person, if any, who controls the Company within the meaning of Section 15 of the Securities Act or Section 20 of the Exchange Act to the same extent as the indemnity set forth in paragraph (a) above, but only with respect to any losses, claims, damages or liabilities that arise out of, or are based upon, any untrue statement or omission or alleged untrue statement or omission made in reliance upon and in conformity with any information relating to such Underwriter furnished to the Company in writing by such Underwriter through the Representatives expressly for use in the Registration Statement, the Prospectus (or any amendment or supplement thereto), any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, any road show or any Pricing Disclosure Package (including any Pricing Disclosure Package that has subsequently been amended), it being understood and agreed upon that the only such information furnished by any Underwriter consists of the following information in the Prospectus furnished on behalf of each Underwriter: (i) the concession figure appearing in the first sentence of the first paragraph under the caption “Underwriting – Commissions and Discounts,” (ii) the second sentence of the first paragraph under the caption “Underwriting – Commissions and Discounts,” (iii) the second paragraph with respect to stabilization activities under the caption “Underwriting – Price Stabilization, Short Positions” and (iv) the third sentence of the third paragraph under the caption “Underwriting – Price Stabilization, Short Positions.”

(c) *Notice and Procedures.* If any suit, action, proceeding (including any governmental or regulatory investigation), claim or demand shall be brought or asserted against any person in respect of which indemnification may be sought pursuant to either paragraph (a) or (b) above, such person (the “Indemnified Person”) shall promptly notify the person against whom such indemnification may be

sought (the “Indemnifying Person”) in writing; provided that the failure to notify the Indemnifying Person shall not relieve it from any liability that it may have under paragraph (a) or (b) above except to the extent that it has been materially prejudiced (through the forfeiture of substantive rights or defenses) by such failure; and provided, further, that the failure to notify the Indemnifying Person shall not relieve it from any liability that it may have to an Indemnified Person otherwise than under paragraph (a) or (b) above. If any such proceeding shall be brought or asserted against an Indemnified Person and it shall have notified the Indemnifying Person thereof, the Indemnifying Person shall retain counsel reasonably satisfactory to the Indemnified Person (who shall not, without the consent of the Indemnified Person, be counsel to the Indemnifying Person) to represent the Indemnified Person in such proceeding and shall pay the fees and expenses of such counsel related to such proceeding, as incurred. In any such proceeding, any Indemnified Person shall have the right to retain its own counsel, but the fees and expenses of such counsel shall be at the expense of such Indemnified Person unless (i) the Indemnifying Person and the Indemnified Person shall have mutually agreed to the contrary; (ii) the Indemnifying Person has failed within a reasonable time to retain counsel reasonably satisfactory to the Indemnified Person; (iii) the Indemnified Person shall have reasonably concluded that there may be legal defenses available to it that are different from or in addition to those available to the Indemnifying Person; or (iv) the named parties in any such proceeding (including any impleaded parties) include both the Indemnifying Person and the Indemnified Person and representation of both parties by the same counsel would be inappropriate due to actual or potential differing interest between them. It is understood and agreed that the Indemnifying Person shall not, in connection with any proceeding or related proceedings in the same jurisdiction, be liable for the fees and expenses of more than one separate firm (in addition to any local counsel) for all Indemnified Persons, and that all such fees and expenses shall be paid or reimbursed as they are incurred. Any such separate firm for any Underwriter, its affiliates, selling agents, directors and officers and any control persons of such Underwriter shall be designated in writing by the Representatives and any such separate firm for the Company, its directors, its officers who signed the Registration Statement and any control persons of the Company shall be designated in writing by the Company. The Indemnifying Person shall not be liable for any settlement of any proceeding effected without its written consent, but if settled with such consent or if there be a final judgment for the plaintiff, the Indemnifying Person agrees to indemnify each Indemnified Person from and against any loss or liability by reason of such settlement or judgment. Notwithstanding the foregoing sentence, if at any time an Indemnified Person shall have requested that an Indemnifying Person reimburse the Indemnified Person for fees and expenses of counsel as contemplated by this paragraph, the Indemnifying Person shall be liable for any settlement of any proceeding effected without its written consent if (i) such settlement is entered into more than 30 days after receipt by the Indemnifying Person of such request and (ii) the Indemnifying Person shall not have reimbursed the Indemnified Person in accordance with such request prior to the date of such settlement. No Indemnifying Person shall, without the written consent of the Indemnified Person, effect any settlement of any pending or threatened proceeding in respect of which any Indemnified Person is or could have been a party and indemnification could have been sought hereunder by such Indemnified Person, unless such settlement (x) includes an unconditional release of such Indemnified Person, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to such Indemnified Person, from all liability on claims that are the subject matter of such proceeding and (y) does not include any statement as to or any admission of fault, culpability or a failure to act by or on behalf of any Indemnified Person.

(d) *Contribution*. If the indemnification provided for in paragraphs (a) and (b) above is unavailable to an Indemnified Person or insufficient in respect of any losses, claims, damages or liabilities referred to therein, then each Indemnifying Person under such paragraph, in lieu of indemnifying such Indemnified Person thereunder, shall contribute to the amount paid or payable by such Indemnified Person as a result of such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (i) in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the relative benefits received by the Company, on the one hand, and the Underwriters on the other, from the offering of the Shares or (ii) if the allocation provided by clause (i) is not permitted by applicable law, in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect not only the relative benefits referred to in

clause (i) but also the relative fault of the Company, on the one hand, and the Underwriters on the other, in connection with the statements or omissions that resulted in such losses, claims, damages or liabilities, as well as any other relevant equitable considerations. The relative benefits received by the Company, on the one hand, and the Underwriters on the other, shall be deemed to be in the same respective proportions as the net proceeds (before deducting expenses) received by the Company from the sale of the Shares and the total underwriting discounts and commissions received by the Underwriters in connection therewith, in each case as set forth in the table on the cover of the Prospectus, bear to the aggregate offering price of the Shares. The relative fault of the Company, on the one hand, and the Underwriters on the other, shall be determined by reference to, among other things, whether the untrue or alleged untrue statement of a material fact or the omission or alleged omission to state a material fact relates to information supplied by the Company or by the Underwriters and the parties' relative intent, knowledge, access to information and opportunity to correct or prevent such statement or omission.

(e) *Limitation on Liability.* The Company and the Underwriters agree that it would not be just and equitable if contribution pursuant to this Section 7 were determined by pro rata allocation (even if the Underwriters were treated as one entity for such purpose) or by any other method of allocation that does not take account of the equitable considerations referred to in paragraph (d) above. The amount paid or payable by an Indemnified Person as a result of the losses, claims, damages and liabilities referred to in paragraph (d) above shall be deemed to include, subject to the limitations set forth above, any legal or other expenses incurred by such Indemnified Person in connection with any such action or claim. Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section 7, in no event shall an Underwriter be required to contribute any amount in excess of the amount by which the total underwriting discounts and commissions received by such Underwriter with respect to the offering of the Shares exceeds the amount of any damages that such Underwriter has otherwise been required to pay by reason of such untrue or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission. No person guilty of fraudulent misrepresentation (within the meaning of Section 11(f) of the Securities Act) shall be entitled to contribution from any person who was not guilty of such fraudulent misrepresentation. The Underwriters' obligations to contribute pursuant to this Section 7 are several in proportion to their respective purchase obligations hereunder and not joint.

(f) *Non-Exclusive Remedies.* The remedies provided for in this Section 7 are not exclusive and shall not limit any rights or remedies which may otherwise be available to any Indemnified Person at law or in equity.

8. Effectiveness of Agreement. This Agreement shall become effective upon the execution and delivery hereof by the parties hereto.

9. Termination. This Agreement may be terminated in the absolute discretion of the Representatives, by notice to the Company, if after the execution and delivery of this Agreement and prior to the Closing Date or, in the case of the Option Shares, prior to the Additional Closing Date (i) trading generally shall have been suspended or materially limited on or by any of the NYSE, the Nasdaq Stock Market, the Chicago Board Options Exchange, the Chicago Mercantile Exchange or the Chicago Board of Trade; (ii) trading of any securities issued or guaranteed by the Company shall have been suspended on any exchange or in any over-the-counter market; (iii) a general moratorium on commercial banking activities shall have been declared by federal or New York State authorities; or (iv) there shall have occurred any outbreak or escalation of hostilities or any change in financial markets or any calamity or crisis, either within or outside the United States, that, in the judgment of the Representatives, is material and adverse and makes it impracticable or inadvisable to proceed with the offering, sale or delivery of the Shares on the Closing Date or the Additional Closing Date, as the case may be, on the terms and in the manner contemplated by this Agreement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus.

10. Defaulting Underwriter.

(a) If, on the Closing Date or the Additional Closing Date, as the case may be, any Underwriter defaults on its obligation to purchase the Shares that it has agreed to purchase hereunder on such date, the non-defaulting Underwriters may in their discretion arrange for the purchase of such Shares by other persons satisfactory to the Company on the terms contained in this Agreement. If, within 36 hours after any such default by any Underwriter, the non-defaulting Underwriters do not arrange for the purchase of such Shares, then the Company shall be entitled to a further period of 36 hours within which to procure other persons satisfactory to the non-defaulting Underwriters to purchase such Shares on such terms. If other persons become obligated or agree to purchase the Shares of a defaulting Underwriter, either the non-defaulting Underwriters or the Company may postpone the Closing Date or the Additional Closing Date, as the case may be, for up to five full business days in order to effect any changes that in the opinion of counsel for the Company or counsel for the Underwriters may be necessary in the Registration Statement and the Prospectus or in any other document or arrangement, and the Company agrees to promptly prepare any amendment or supplement to the Registration Statement and the Prospectus that effects any such changes. As used in this Agreement, the term “Underwriter” includes, for all purposes of this Agreement unless the context otherwise requires, any person not listed in Schedule 1 hereto that, pursuant to this Section 10, purchases Shares that a defaulting Underwriter agreed but failed to purchase.

(b) If, after giving effect to any arrangements for the purchase of the Shares of a defaulting Underwriter or Underwriters by the non-defaulting Underwriters and the Company as provided in paragraph (a) above, the aggregate number of Shares that remain unpurchased on the Closing Date or the Additional Closing Date, as the case may be, does not exceed one-tenth of the aggregate number of Shares to be purchased on such date, then the Company shall have the right to require each non-defaulting Underwriter to purchase the number of Shares that such Underwriter agreed to purchase hereunder on such date plus such Underwriter’s pro rata share (based on the number of Shares that such Underwriter agreed to purchase on such date) of the Shares of such defaulting Underwriter or Underwriters for which such arrangements have not been made.

(c) If, after giving effect to any arrangements for the purchase of the Shares of a defaulting Underwriter or Underwriters by the non-defaulting Underwriters and the Company as provided in paragraph (a) above, the aggregate number of Shares that remain unpurchased on the Closing Date or the Additional Closing Date, as the case may be, exceeds one-tenth of the aggregate amount of Shares to be purchased on such date, or if the Company shall not exercise the right described in paragraph (b) above, then this Agreement or, with respect to any Additional Closing Date, the obligation of the Underwriters to purchase Shares on the Additional Closing Date shall terminate without liability on the part of the non-defaulting Underwriters. Any termination of this Agreement pursuant to this Section 10 shall be without liability on the part of the Company, except that the Company will continue to be liable for the payment of expenses as set forth in Section 11 hereof and except that the provisions of Section 7 hereof shall not terminate and shall remain in effect.

(d) Nothing contained herein shall relieve a defaulting Underwriter of any liability it may have to the Company or any non-defaulting Underwriter for damages caused by its default.

11. Payment of Expenses.

(a) Whether or not the transactions contemplated by this Agreement are consummated or this Agreement is terminated, the Company will pay or cause to be paid all costs and expenses incident to the performance of its obligations hereunder, including without limitation, (i) the costs incident to the authorization, issuance, sale, preparation and delivery of the Shares and any taxes payable in that connection;

(ii) the costs incident to the preparation, printing and filing under the Securities Act of the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Prospectus, any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, any Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus (including all exhibits, amendments and supplements thereto) and the distribution thereof; (iii) the fees and expenses of the Company's counsel and independent accountants; (iv) the fees and expenses incurred in connection with the registration or qualification of the Shares under the state or foreign securities or blue sky laws of such jurisdictions as the Representatives may designate and the preparation, printing and distribution of a Blue Sky Memorandum (including the related fees and expenses of counsel for the Underwriters); (v) the costs incident to the preparation, issuance and delivery of the stock certificates to the Underwriters, including any stock or other transfer taxes and any stamp or other duties payable upon the sale, issuance or delivery of the Shares to the Underwriters; (vi) the costs and charges of any transfer agent and any registrar for the Shares; (vii) all expenses and application fees incurred in connection with any filing with, and clearance of the offering by, FINRA (including the related fees and expenses of counsel for the Underwriters); (viii) all expenses incurred by the Company in connection with any "road show" presentation to potential investors; and (ix) all expenses and application fees related to the listing of the Shares on the NYSE.

(b) If (i) this Agreement is terminated pursuant to Section 9(ii), (ii) the Company for any reason fails to tender the Shares for delivery to the Underwriters or (iii) the Underwriters decline to purchase the Shares for any reason permitted under this Agreement (other than pursuant to Section 9(i),(iii) or (iv)), the Company agrees to reimburse the Underwriters for all out-of-pocket costs and expenses (including the reasonable fees and expenses of their counsel) reasonably incurred by the Underwriters in connection with this Agreement and the offering contemplated hereby.

12. Persons Entitled to Benefit of Agreement. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the parties hereto and their respective successors and the officers and directors and any controlling persons referred to in Section 7 hereof. Nothing in this Agreement is intended or shall be construed to give any other person any legal or equitable right, remedy, benefit or claim under or in respect of this Agreement or any provision contained herein. No purchaser of Shares from any Underwriter shall be deemed to be a successor or beneficiary merely by reason of such purchase.

13. Survival. The respective indemnities, rights of contribution, representations, warranties and agreements of the Company and the Underwriters contained in this Agreement or made by or on behalf of the Company or the Underwriters pursuant to this Agreement or any certificate delivered pursuant hereto shall survive the delivery of and payment for the Shares and shall remain in full force and effect, regardless of any termination of this Agreement or any investigation made by or on behalf of the Company or the Underwriters.

14. Certain Defined Terms. For purposes of this Agreement, (a) except where otherwise expressly provided, the term "affiliate" has the meaning set forth in Rule 405 under the Securities Act; (b) the term "business day" means any day other than a day on which banks are permitted or required to be closed in New York City; and (c) the term "subsidiary" has the meaning set forth in Rule 405 under the Securities Act.

15. Compliance with USA Patriot Act. In accordance with the requirements of the USA Patriot Act (Title III of Pub. L. 107-56 (signed into law October 26, 2001)), the Underwriters are required to obtain, verify and record information that identifies their respective clients, including the Company and the Operating Partnership, which information may include the name and address of their respective clients, as well as other information that will allow the Underwriters to properly identify their respective clients.

16. Miscellaneous.

(a) *Notices*. All notices and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given if mailed or transmitted and confirmed by any standard form of telecommunication. Notices to the Underwriters shall be given to the Representatives c/o Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, One Bryant Park, New York, New York 10036 (fax: (646) 855-3073), Attention Syndicate Department with a copy to (fax: (212) 230-8730), Attention ECM Legal or c/o J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, 383 Madison Avenue, New York, New York 10179 (fax: (212) 622-8358), Attention Equity Syndicate Desk. Notices to the Company shall be given to it at the offices of the Company at 1000 Urban Center Drive, Suite 501, Birmingham, Alabama 35242, (fax: (205) 969-3756) Attention: Charles Lambert.

(b) *Trial by Jury*. The Company (on its behalf and, to the extent permitted by applicable law, on behalf of its stockholders and affiliates), the Operating Partnership and each of the Underwriters hereby irrevocably waives, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, any and all right to trial by jury in any legal proceeding arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby.

(c) *Governing Law*. This Agreement and any claim, controversy or dispute arising under or related to this Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York applicable to agreements made and to be performed in such state.

(d) *Counterparts*. This Agreement may be signed in counterparts (which may include counterparts delivered by any standard form of telecommunication), each of which shall be an original and all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

(e) *Amendments or Waivers*. No amendment or waiver of any provision of this Agreement, nor any consent or approval to any departure therefrom, shall in any event be effective unless the same shall be in writing and signed by the parties hereto.

(f) *Headings*. The headings herein are included for convenience of reference only and are not intended to be part of, or to affect the meaning or interpretation of, this Agreement.

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If the foregoing is in accordance with the understanding among the Company, the Operating Partnership and the several Underwriters, please indicate your acceptance of this Agreement by signing in the space provided below.

Very truly yours,

MEDICAL PROPERTIES TRUST, INC.

By: /s/ R. Steven Hamner

Name: R. Steven Hamner

Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

MPT OPERATING PARTNERSHIP, L.P.

BY: MEDICAL PROPERTIES TRUST, LLC,
ITS GENERAL PARTNER

BY: MEDICAL PROPERTIES TRUST,
INC., ITS SOLE MEMBER

By: /s/ R. Steven Hamner

Name: R. Steven Hamner

Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Signature Page to Underwriting Agreement

Accepted as of the date first set forth above.

MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH
INCORPORATED

For itself and on behalf of
the several Underwriters listed
in Schedule 1 hereto.

By: /s/ Gary W. Hampton III
 Authorized Signatory

J.P. MORGAN SECURITIES LLC

For itself and on behalf of the
several Underwriters listed
in Schedule 1 hereto.

By: /s/ Eddy Allegaert
 Authorized Signatory

Signature Page to Underwriting Agreement

<u>Underwriter</u>	<u>Number of Shares</u>
Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated	4,612,500
J.P. Morgan Securities LLC	4,612,500
Deutsche Bank Securities Inc.	3,075,000
RBC Capital Markets, LLC	3,075,000
KeyBanc Capital Markets Inc	2,870,000
SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc.	820,000
Morgan Keegan & Company, Inc.	615,000
Raymond James & Associates, Inc.	410,000
JMP Securities LLC	205,000
Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated	205,000
Total	<u>20,500,000</u>

Schedule 1

Company and Subsidiaries

<u>Company</u>	<u>Entity</u>	<u>Jurisdiction of Organization</u>	<u>Jurisdiction(s) in Which Qualified as a Foreign Corporation</u>
	Medical Properties Trust, Inc.	Maryland	Alabama, Texas
<u>Subsidiaries</u>			
	MPT Operating Partnership, L.P. *	Delaware	Massachusetts, Alabama, New York, Kansas
	4499 Acushnet Avenue, LLC *	Delaware	Massachusetts
	8451 Pearl Street, LLC *	Delaware	Colorado
	Medical Properties Trust, LLC	Delaware	Alabama, Massachusetts
	Mountain View-MPT Hospital, LLC *	Delaware	Idaho
	MPT Development Services, Inc.	Delaware	Alabama
	MPT DS Equipment Holding, LLC	Delaware	Alabama
	MPT Finance Corporation	Delaware	
	MPT of Alvarado, LLC	Delaware	California
	MPT of Alvarado, L.P.	Delaware	California
	MPT of Bayonne, LLC	Delaware	New Jersey
	MPT of Bennettsville, LLC *	Delaware	South Carolina
	MPT of Bloomington, LLC *	Delaware	Indiana
	MPT of Bossier City, LLC *	Delaware	Louisiana
	MPT of Bristol, LLC *	Delaware	South Carolina
	MPT of Bucks County, LLC	Delaware	Pennsylvania
	MPT of Bucks County, L.P. *	Delaware	Pennsylvania
	MPT of Cheraw, LLC *	Delaware	South Carolina
	MPT of Chino, LLC *	Delaware	California
	MPT of Clear Lake, LLC	Delaware	Texas
	MPT of Clear Lake, L.P.	Delaware	Texas
	MPT of Corinth, LLC	Delaware	Texas
	MPT of Corinth, L.P.	Delaware	Texas
	MPT Corinth Hospital, LLC (DE)	Delaware	
	MPT of Covington, LLC *	Delaware	Louisiana
	MPT Covington TRS, Inc.	Delaware	Louisiana
	MPT of Dallas LTACH, LLC	Delaware	Texas
			(as "MPT of Dallas LTACH GP, LLC")
	MPT of Dallas LTACH, L.P. *	Delaware	Texas
	MPT of Denham Springs, LLC *	Delaware	Louisiana
	MPT of Desoto, L.P.	Delaware	Texas
	MPT of Desoto, LLC	Delaware	
	MPT Desoto Hospital, LLC	Delaware	
	MPT of Detroit, LLC *	Delaware	Michigan
	MPT of Enfield, LLC *	Delaware	Connecticut
	MPT of Fayetteville, LLC *	Delaware	Arkansas
	MPT of Florence, LLC	Delaware	Arizona
	MPT of Ft. Lauderdale, LLC *	Delaware	Florida
	MPT of Garden Grove Hospital, LLC	Delaware	California
	MPT of Garden Grove Hospital, L.P. *	Delaware	California
	MPT of Garden Grove MOB, LLC	Delaware	California
	MPT of Garden Grove MOB, L.P. *	Delaware	California
	MPT of Gilbert, LLC	Delaware	Arizona

MPT of Greenville, LLC ¹	Delaware	South Carolina
MPT of Hillsboro, LLC	Delaware	Texas
MPT of Hillsboro, L.P.	Delaware	Texas
MPT of Hoboken Real Estate, LLC	Delaware	New Jersey
MPT of Hoboken Hospital, LLC	Delaware	
MPT of Hoboken TRS, LLC	Delaware	New Jersey
MPT of Hausman, LLC	Delaware	Texas
MPT of Huntington Beach, LLC	Delaware	California
MPT of Huntington Beach, L.P. *	Delaware	California
MPT of Idaho Falls, LLC	Delaware	Idaho
MPT of Kansas City, LLC	Delaware	Missouri
MPT of La Palma, LLC	Delaware	California
MPT of La Palma, L.P. *	Delaware	California
MPT of Luling, LLC		Texas
	Delaware	(as "Delaware MPT of Luling, LLC")
MPT of Luling, L.P. *	Delaware	Texas
MPT of Morgantown, LLC *	Delaware	West Virginia
MPT of Mountain View, LLC	Delaware	
MPT of Newington, LLC *	Delaware	Connecticut
MPT of New Braunfels, LLC	Delaware	Texas
MPT New Braunfels Hospital, LLC	Delaware	Texas
MPT of North Cypress, LLC	Delaware	Texas
		(as "Delaware MPT of North Cypress Texas, LLC")
MPT of North Cypress, L.P. *	Delaware	Texas
MPT of Overlook Parkway, LLC	Delaware	Texas
MPT of Paradise Valley, LLC	Delaware	California
MPT of Paradise Valley, L.P. *	Delaware	California
MPT of Peoria, LLC ²	Delaware	Arizona
MPT of Petersburg, LLC *	Delaware	Virginia
MPT of Poplar Bluff, LLC *	Delaware	Missouri
MPT of Portland, LLC *	Delaware	Oregon
MPT of Providence, LLC *	Delaware	Rhode Island
MPT of Redding, LLC *	Delaware	California
MPT of Richardson, LLC	Delaware	Texas
MPT of Richardson, L.P.	Delaware	Texas
MPT of Round Rock, LLC	Delaware	Texas
MPT of Round Rock, L.P.	Delaware	Texas
MPT of San Dimas Hospital, LLC	Delaware	California
MPT of San Dimas Hospital, L.P. *	Delaware	California
MPT of San Dimas MOB, LLC	Delaware	California
MPT of San Dimas MOB, L.P. *	Delaware	California
MPT of Schertz, LLC	Delaware	Texas
MPT of Shasta, LLC	Delaware	California
MPT of Shasta, L.P. *	Delaware	California
MPT of Shenandoah, LLC	Delaware	Texas

² Dissolution of subsidiary in process.

MPT of Shenandoah, L.P.	Delaware	Texas
MPT of Southern California, LLC	Delaware	California
MPT of Southern California, L.P. *	Delaware	California
MPT of Springfield, LLC *	Delaware	Massachusetts
MPT of 69th Street, LLC	Delaware	Alabama
MPT of Tomball, LLC	Delaware	Texas
		(as "MPT of Tomball GP, LLC")
MPT of Tomball, L.P.	Delaware	Texas
MPT of Tucson, LLC *	Delaware	Arizona
MPT of Twelve Oaks, LLC	Delaware	Texas
MPT of Twelve Oaks, L.P. *	Delaware	Texas
MPT of Victoria, LLC	Delaware	Texas
		(as "Delaware MPT of Victoria, LLC")
MPT of Victoria, L.P. *	Delaware	Texas
MPT of Victorville, LLC *	Delaware	California
MPT of Warm Springs, LLC	Delaware	Texas
		(as "Delaware MPT of Warm Springs, LLC")
MPT of Warm Springs, L.P. *	Delaware	Texas
MPT of Warwick, LLC *	Delaware	Rhode Island
MPT of Webster, LLC	Delaware	Texas
		(as "MPT of Webster GP, LLC")
MPT of Webster, L.P. *	Delaware	Texas
MPT of West Anaheim, LLC	Delaware	California
MPT of West Anaheim, L.P. *	Delaware	California
MPT of Westover Hills, LLC	Delaware	Texas
MPT of West Valley City, LLC *	Delaware	Utah
MPT of Wichita, LLC	Delaware	Kansas
Wichita Health Associates Limited Partnership *	Delaware	Kansas

Schedule 2

[Goodwin Procter Letterhead]

February 2, 2012

Medical Properties Trust, Inc.
1000 Urban Center Drive, Suite 501
Birmingham, AL 35242

Re: Securities Registered under Registration Statement on Form S-3

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Reference is made to our opinion letter dated February 12, 2010 and included as Exhibit 5.1 to the Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-164889) (the "Registration Statement") filed on February 12, 2010 by Medical Properties Trust, Inc. (the "Company"), with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"). The Registration Statement became effective upon filing on February 12, 2010. We are delivering this supplemental opinion letter in connection with the prospectus supplement (the "Prospectus Supplement") filed on February 2, 2012 by the Company with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424 under the Securities Act. The Prospectus Supplement relates to the offering by the Company of up to 23,575,000 shares of the Company's common stock, par value \$0.001 per share (the "Shares"), covered by the Registration Statement. The Shares include an option granted to the underwriters of the offering to purchase up to an additional 3,075,000 Shares. We understand that the Shares are to be offered and sold in the manner described in the Prospectus Supplement.

We have reviewed such documents and made such examination of law as we have deemed appropriate to give the opinions set forth below. We have relied, without independent verification, on certificates of public officials and, as to matters of fact material to the opinions set forth below, on certificates of officers of the Company.

The opinion expressed below is limited to the Maryland General Corporation Law (which includes applicable provisions of reported judicial decisions interpreting the Maryland General Corporation Law).

Based on the foregoing, we are of the opinion that the Shares have been duly authorized and, upon issuance and delivery against payment therefor in accordance with the terms of the Underwriting Agreement, dated as of February 1, 2012, among the Company, MPT Operating Partnership, L.P. and the Underwriters listed on Schedule 1 thereto, will be validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable.

We hereby consent to the inclusion of this opinion as Exhibit 5.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated February 2, 2012, which is incorporated by reference into the Registration Statement and Prospectus Supplement, and to the references to our firm under the caption "Legal Matters" in the Registration Statement and Prospectus Supplement. In giving our consent, we do not admit that we are in the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Securities Act or the rules and regulations thereunder.

Very truly yours,

/s/ GOODWIN PROCTER LLP

GOODWIN PROCTER LLP

[Letterhead of Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell & Berkowitz, P.C.]

February 2, 2012

Medical Properties Trust, Inc.
1000 Urban Center Drive, Suite 501
Birmingham, Alabama 35242

Re: Medical Properties Trust, Inc.
Qualification as a Real Estate Investment Trust

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as counsel to Medical Properties Trust, Inc., a Maryland corporation (the "Company"), in connection with the preparation of the preliminary prospectus supplement (the "Preliminary Prospectus Supplement") dated January 31, 2012 and the prospectus supplement dated February 2, 2012 (the "Prospectus Supplement") to the Registration Statement (the "Registration Statement") and Prospectus (the "Prospectus") dated February 12, 2010 and filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). You have requested our opinion regarding certain United States federal income tax matters.

The Company, through MPT Operating Partnership, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, (the "Operating Partnership") and its subsidiary limited liability companies and partnerships, owns interests in healthcare facilities. The Operating Partnership also owns MPT Development Services, Inc., a Delaware corporation, MPT Covington TRS Inc., a Delaware corporation and MPT Finance Corporation, a Delaware corporation. Each of MPT Development Services, Inc., MPT Covington TRS, Inc. and MPT Finance Corporation have made joint elections with the Company for each to be a taxable REIT subsidiary for federal income tax purposes under Section 856(l) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code").

In giving the opinions rendered below, we have examined the following documents:

1. The Company's Articles of Incorporation filed on August 27, 2003 with the Department of Assessments and Taxation of the State of Maryland, as amended and restated by Second Articles of Amendment and Restatement filed on March 29, 2004 and as corrected by the Certificate of Correction to the Second Articles of Amendment and Restatement filed on January 3, 2005, as further amended by Articles of Amendment to the Second Articles of Amendment and Restatement filed October 20, 2005, Articles of Amendment filed January 9, 2009 and Articles of Amendment filed January 30, 2012;
2. The Company's Second Amended and Restated Bylaws;

3. The Prospectus;
4. The Preliminary Prospectus Supplement;
5. The Prospectus Supplement;
6. The First Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of the Operating Partnership dated February 29, 2004 and all amendments thereto and the Second Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of the Operating Partnership dated July 31, 2007 (the "Operating Partnership Agreement"); and
7. Such other documents as we have deemed necessary or appropriate.

In connection with the opinions rendered below, we have assumed, with your consent, that:

1. each of the documents referred to above has been duly authorized, executed, and delivered; is authentic, if an original, or is accurate, if a copy; and has not been amended;
2. except for the Company, for which no assumption is made, each partner of the Operating Partnership (a "Partner") that is a corporation or other entity has a valid legal existence; and
3. each Partner has full power, authority, and legal right to enter into and to perform the terms of the Operating Partnership Agreement and the transactions contemplated thereby.

In connection with the opinions rendered below, we also have relied upon the correctness of the factual representations and covenants contained in that certain certificate dated February 2, 2012 executed by R. Steven Hamner as Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of the Company (the "Officer's Certificate"). To the extent such representations and covenants speak to the intended ownership or operations of the Company, we assume that the Company will in fact be owned and operated in accordance with such stated intent.

Based on the documents and assumptions set forth above and the factual representations set forth in the Officer's Certificate, we are of the opinion that:

- (a) The Company is and has been qualified to be taxed as a real estate investment trust (a "REIT") pursuant to Sections 856 through 860 of the Code commencing with its initial taxable year ended December 31, 2004, and the Company's current and proposed method of operations as described in the Registration Statement, the Prospectus, the Preliminary Prospectus Supplement and the Prospectus Supplement and as represented to us by the Company satisfies currently, and will enable the Company to continue to satisfy in the future, the requirements for such qualification and taxation as a real estate investment trust under the Code; and

- (b) The descriptions of the law and the legal conclusions contained in the Registration Statement under the caption “United States Federal Income Tax Considerations” as amended and supplemented in the Preliminary Prospectus Supplement and the Prospectus Supplement in the section titled “United States Federal Income Tax Considerations” are correct in all material respects, and the discussion thereunder fairly summarizes the federal income tax considerations that are likely to be material to a holder of the common stock of the Company.

We will not review on a continuing basis the Company’s compliance with the documents or assumptions set forth above, or the representations set forth in the Officer’s Certificate. Accordingly, no assurance can be given that the actual results of the Company’s operations for any given taxable year will satisfy the requirements for qualification and taxation as a REIT.

The foregoing opinions are based on current provisions of the Code and the Treasury regulations promulgated thereunder (the “Regulations”), published administrative interpretations thereof, and published court decisions. The Internal Revenue Service has not issued Regulations or administrative interpretations with respect to various provisions of the Code relating to REIT qualification. No assurance can be given that the law will not change in a way that will prevent the Company from qualifying as a REIT.

The foregoing opinions are limited to the United States federal income tax matters addressed herein, and no other opinions are rendered with respect to other federal tax matters or to any issues arising under the tax laws of any other country, or any state or locality. We undertake no obligation to update the opinions expressed herein after the date of this letter. This opinion letter is solely for the information and use of the addressee and the purchasers of the common stock of the Company pursuant to the Registration Statement, the Prospectus, the Preliminary Prospectus Supplement and the Prospectus Supplement (except as provided in the next paragraph), and it speaks only as of the date hereof. Except as provided in the next paragraph, this opinion letter may not be distributed, relied upon for any purpose by any other person, quoted in whole or in part or otherwise reproduced in any document, or filed with any governmental agency without our prior express written consent.

We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion letter as Exhibit 5.1 to the Company’s Current Report on Form 8-K dated February 2, 2012, which is incorporated by reference into the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Prospectus Supplement and the Prospectus Supplement. We also consent to the references to Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell & Berkowitz, P.C. under the captions “United States Federal Income Tax Considerations” and “Legal Matters” in the Registration Statement, Preliminary Prospectus Supplement and the Prospectus Supplement. In giving this consent, we do not admit that we are in the category of the persons whose consent is required by Section 7 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder by the SEC.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell &
Berkowitz, P.C.

Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell &
Berkowitz, P.C.