



DIVISION OF
CORPORATION FINANCE

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

Mail Stop 3233

March 29, 2017

Via E-mail

F. Scott Thomas, Esquire
Teachers Insurance and Annuity
Association of America
8500 Andrew Carnegie Blvd.
Charlotte, North Carolina 28262

**Re: TIAA Real Estate Account
Registration Statement on Form S-1
Filed March 21, 2017
File No. 333-216849**

Dear Mr. Thomas:

This is to advise you that we have not reviewed and will not review your registration statement.

Please refer to Rules 460 and 461 regarding requests for acceleration. We remind you that the company and its management are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of their disclosures, notwithstanding any review, comments, action or absence of action by the staff.

Please contact Rahul K. Patel, Staff Attorney, at (202) 551-3799 with any questions.

Sincerely,

/s/ Tom Kluck

Tom Kluck
Legal Branch Chief
Office of Real Estate and
Commodities

cc: Stephen Leitzell, Esq.