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Meet Michael K. Cobb, the visionary Founder and CEO of ECI Development, a leading force in international real estate. Since 1996, Michael has led the charge in creating dynamic residential communities across Central America, including Belize, Nicaragua, Panama, Costa Rica, Honduras, and El Salvador. His developments range from private villas and tiny homes, Marriott Residences and Resort in Belize, to Central America's first low EMF community, offering diverse options for resort-style living.

Michael's expertise extends beyond real estate development. As a former expat himself, living for 14 years in Nicaragua with his wife and young daughters, he understands the nuances of purchasing property abroad and provides invaluable support to both overseas investors and expatriates. His insights, detailed in his book *How to Buy Your Home Overseas and Get it Right the First Time* (available on Amazon), can save tens of thousands of dollars and ensure successful property investments.

Michael's influence extends to the financial sector as well. He founded Exotic Caye International, which evolved into Caye International Bank, revolutionizing mortgage services in Belize and throughout the region. His contributions to real estate and finance are complemented by his role as a sought-after speaker and consultant, with coverage in *Forbes*, *Business Week*, the *London Telegraph*, and *BBC-World Television*. With a strong presence on LinkedIn and Facebook, Michael continues to inspire as a keynote speaker at major conferences and events.

Under his leadership, ECI Development has amassed over 4000 acres of beachfront real estate across Belize, Nicaragua, Panama, and Costa Rica, and is expanding into Argentina, Chile, and Ecuador. The company's portfolio includes a Marriott Resort in Belize and a Best Western in Belize. Michael also assists clients with second residency solutions through reforestation visas and teak timber ownership and successful transition to Expat life.

