

Names, Faces, People and Places

REPRESENTS CLIENTS IN ALL AREAS OF FAMILY LAW

Industry veteran Rubin joins Barton LLP as a partner of the firm



Cynthia Rubin

NEW YORK, NY According to Barton LLP, Cynthia Rubin has joined as a partner of the firm. Rubin has over 20 years of experience representing clients in all areas of family law including negotiating separation, pre-nuptial,

post-nuptial, and living together agreements. Rubin's extensive trial experience includes complex equitable distribution, relocation, custody, support and paternity cases. Rubin has extensive experience in representing LGBT couples in the complicated issues that they confront in today's legal landscape.

Rubin frequently represents clients in divorces and pre-nuptial agree-

ments involving complex financial issues such as the valuation of businesses and professional degrees and licenses, complex executive compensation, real estate holdings and partnership interests. She also has experience in cases involving the Hague Convention on International Child Abduction and has successfully litigated the return of abducted children from overseas.

HKS Capital Partners promotes Garfinkel to vice president of commercial originations; Responsible for CRE loan origination

NEW YORK, NY According to HKS Capital Partners, Richard Garfinkel has been promoted to vice president of commercial originations and is responsible for CRE loan origination, debt, equity, and structured finance.



Richard Garfinkel

Educated at Columbia University School of Engineering, Garfinkel has been an active investor for more than 30 years. He possesses a diverse background in business and in real estate construction, acquisition, permanent and refinance lending. Also, he is

experienced in contract negotiation between US and foreign companies covering asset exchanges, joint ventures, and asset finance deals.

"For all asset classes and with his acute knowledge of the capital markets Rich works diligently to satisfy those needs with a "hands on"

approach from origination through closing," said HKS Capital Partners cofounder Ayush Kapahi. "He has also developed and implemented strategies for equity and debt funding on behalf of public and private companies and has negotiated commercial leases."

Simon Development Grp. changes name of company and names Baron president

NEW YORK, NY According to Simon Development Group, the Park Ave. based developer of residential high-rises and boutique hotels, Matthew Baron has been promoted from principal to president of the firm that will now also bear his name, Simon Baron Development.



Matthew Baron

Since joining the firm in 2006, Baron has grown the firm alongside Jonathan Simon, the company's founder, who will remain CEO.

"Jonathan started the business 20 years ago and created the platform that led to our success," said Baron, who will now share equal responsibilities in running SBD, the firm that

is developing a growing number of residential and commercial projects that include: a 250-room hotel in midtown at 11-13 East 31st St. and 12 East 88th St., a 13-story, prewar residential building off 5th Ave., the firm is acquiring this month for \$105 million.

"We look forward to growing the company and to many more years of success," said Simon. "Our goals are to find opportunities and investments for ourselves and our partners."

The company that specializes in new and redevelopment, currently controls \$1 billion of real estate (13 buildings with over 1000 units of diverse residential, hotel, retail and industrial space), in various stages of completion including rental buildings Tower 31 at 9 West 31st St and 393 West End Ave. at 79th St.

The Carlton Group appoints Swill COO

NEW YORK, NY Carlton Group chairman Howard Michaels has unveiled the appointment of Kevin Swill as chief operating officer of the Carlton Group.



Kevin Swill

Swill will oversee the day to day operations of the company, as well as playing a key role in growing the firm's high net worth equity syndication business and Carlton's investment sales division.

Swill is a successful real estate and capital markets specialist having been involved in the financing of

acquisitions, recapitalization and disposition of more than 13,000 apartments while serving as President of Westminster Capital a subsidiary of Kushner Companies. In addition, Swill managed a staff of senior property managers with responsibilities for over four million square feet of commercial assets, including 666 Fifth Ave., as president of Kushner Properties. Prior to joining Carlton, Swill worked at Merrill Lynch, CIBC, Deutsche Banc, and Citicorp/Citibank.

Michaels said, "Kevin will be an integral member of all of Carlton's businesses given his deep experience and background real estate acumen."

THE DAVID WINOKER SCHOLARSHIP

Chan wins scholarship from YMWREA

NEW YORK, NY On behalf of the Young Men's/Women's Real Estate Association of New York, the organization congratulates the inaugural winner of the David Winoker Scholarship for YMWREA, Karl Chan. The organization received many deserving applications, however Chan stood out to the board of governors who



Karl Chan

unanimously agreed that Chan is well deserving of such award. Chan is an MBA candidate, class of 2015, at Columbia Business School and has participated in YMWREA events with aspirations of joining the New York real estate industry one day.

David Winoker was an important member of the organization and a very well respected figure within the New York real estate industry and the organization is pleased that Chan will be receiving this scholarship in his honor.

The Besen Group hires broker Ebersman

MANHATTAN, NY Justin "Jud" Ebersman has joined The Besen Group as senior broker, where he will be conducting investment sales and retail leasing in Manhattan for the company.



Justin Ebersman

In his most recent role as vice chairman at Walter & Samuel, Ebersman oversaw acquisitions and leasing.

As part of one of the most successful cooperative and condominium converters in Manhattan since 1976, he was involved in numerous conver-

sions, and was a nominee for REBNY's "Most Ingenious Deal of The Year" for his creative retail lease transactions on several occasions.

Prior to Walter & Samuel, Ebersman spent 17 years at Sulzberger-Wolfe Inc., presently known as The Rolfe Group. One of the leading full-service residential real estate firms, he was involved in leasing, sales and asset management.

Ebersman is a member of REBNY, and previously a member of the Retail and Investment Sales Brokers committees. He is a graduate of The Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania. A native New Yorker, he was born and raised in Manhattan, where he continues to reside.

Evergreen Insurance and Risk Mgmt. hires Tauber as account executive

MONSEY, NY Evergreen Insurance and Risk Management unveiled the appointment of Esther Tauber



Izzy Green



Esther Tauber

as account executive at the commercial real estate insurance agency headquartered in Monsey.

"Tauber brings great knowledge, experience and eagerness to meet the demanding insurance needs of the real estate industry," said Evergreen president/CEO Izzy Green.

Most recently, Tauber was hired to run Oxford Coverage's commercial real estate office in Monsey where she grew her client business to over \$10 million in premiums.

She started her career at IGI Insurance Agency in Brooklyn in 2006 where she served real estate owners and investors and took the agency from a young start-up to millions in premiums over the next six years.

NYCREW hosts cocktail party to celebrate record number of new members in 2013



(Front row, seated) Lori Coombs, Wells Fargo Bank; Amelia Janisz, EZ Buildings; Marissa Mohan, Rockefeller Group; Michelle Dougherty, Rockefeller Group; Judy Sahagian, Douglas Elliman Real Estate; Joanne Escobar, Rockefeller Group. Second Row: Celine Arsac, Colin Development; Michele Boddewyn, Alan Gaynor & Co.; Hillary Jury, Wilk Auslander. Standing: Unnamed, Rockefeller Group; Unnamed; Karen Fiorentino, Carnegie Hill Enterprises; Amy Burpee Cordone, Tishman; Crystal DeNunzio, Theodore Williams; Shalini Mohan, URS Corp.; Kerry Klein, Wells Fargo; Jennifer L. Carey, JLC Environmental Advisors; Kelly Houlihan Buckley, Houlihan-Parnes Realtors LLC; Sonali Dhall, Situs.

NEW YORK, NY The New York Chapter of Commercial Real Estate Women's Network celebrated a record number of new members in 2013 by hosting

a cocktail party at the offices of the Rockefeller Group. Among the professionals swelling NYCREW's ranks are pictured above.