

## CBRE, Houston

As part of its strategy to expand its retail group, the Houston office of CBRE has hired **Thomas Nguyen** as an associate on the tenant representation team. Nguyen is a co-founder of the award-winning Peli Peli South African Kitchen. He joins CBRE after over a decade in the restaurant business, where he helped build the South African dining concept into one of the best-reviewed culinary brands shaping the Houston food scene. Peli Peli currently has locations in the Galleria District and The Woodlands and has been featured on the *Food Network* and *CNBC's Restaurant Startup*.



Nguyen



## Cravey Real Estate Services

**John Foret** has joined Cravey Real Estate Services Inc. as a specialist in industrial real estate. Throughout his career, he has managed and consulted for numerous companies and suppliers within the oil and gas industry. Foret's 37 years of experience from every capacity of the industry have gifted him the understanding of how businesses function and expand while maintaining a budget. Foret is a Texas licensed commercial real estate agent.



Foret



## CREDE

CREDE, a Southern California-based commercial real estate development and construction management company, has hired **Jon Moyer** to the newly created position of vice president of acquisitions. In this new role at CREDE, Moyer will focus on the acquisition of value-add multifamily and industrial properties, along with unentitled and entitled land that CREDE can develop in Dallas-Fort Worth and Austin, as well as in other target markets in Texas. Moyer previously spent seven years in Hawaii as director of investments for Alexander & Baldwin, a \$2 billion publicly traded REIT.



Moyer

## Dunaway

Dunaway, a multi-discipline engineering firm, has appointed **Chris Wilde** as the firm's new CEO. Wilde, who began his career with Dunaway as a civil engineer 18 years ago, will be responsible for setting the company's vision and putting the right leadership in place to execute that vision. Former CEO Tom Galbreath, a 35-year veteran of Dunaway, has become the company's chairman of the advisory board. Galbreath will also assist sales teams with business development efforts across the state and continue to mentor and advise the team, as well as take key roles on projects that need his expertise.



Wilde

## Endeavor Real Estate Group

Endeavor Real Estate Group announces the addition of **Brittany Maki** as vice president of capital markets. Maki will be responsible for the firm's capital raising initiatives across new fund platforms, acquisitions and developments. A rising leader in the industry, she has raised over \$388 million in equity across a spectrum of vehicles and asset classes throughout her career. Her experience spans market research, acquisitions, asset management and investment management.



Maki



## Griffin Partners

Griffin Partners, a commercial investment, development and property management firm, has hired **David Hudson** as president of development. Hudson brings over 29 years of industry experience to the firm. Before joining Griffin Partners, Hudson led the establishment of the Houston office of Indianapolis-based Duke Realty Corp., where he created a current investment value of \$568 million through build-to-suit and speculative development of 5.2 million square feet of industrial space.



Hudson



## The Jenkins Organization

The Jenkins Organization, a Houston-based self-storage, development and management company, has promoted **Jeremy Rollwitz** to regional manager and **Amanda Dickson** to district manager. Rollwitz has been with The Jenkins Organization as a district manager and has served in several other capacities for the past seven years. Dickson has been with The Jenkins Organization in various roles for over six years.



Rollwitz



Dickson

## Legacy Partners

Legacy Partners, a privately held national real estate firm, has hired **Graham Johnston** as vice president of development in Texas. Johnston will be responsible for all site acquisitions, development, due diligence, entitlements, design and asset management throughout the state. Prior to joining Legacy Partners, Johnston was a development manager with Integrated Real Estate Group, where he managed several projects in all stages of design and city review, with a combined project value of over \$450 million in the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex.



Johnston

## Lightstone Capital

Lightstone continues the expansion of its real estate debt platform, Lightstone Capital, with the hiring of **Lance Wright** as managing director, head of originations, central region. Wright, a real estate finance industry veteran with more than three decades of experience, will launch Lightstone Capital's Dallas office and be responsible for business development efforts across the platform. He will lead originations of senior bridge loans, mezzanine loans and preferred equity investments throughout the country's central region.



Wright

## Mesquite EDC

**Kim Buttram** has been named the new director of economic development for the City of Mesquite. She returns to Mesquite where she served in the EDC as assistant manager from 2016 to 2017 and the assistant director from 2017 to 2020.



Buttram



## Mohr Partners

Mohr Partners Inc. announces that **Kevin Frederick**, a 20-year veteran of the commercial real estate and information technology industries, will be returning to the firm to support client development and talent acquisition across all service lines and geography. Frederick previously served as a senior account manager with Mohr Partners for six years. During his tenure, he played a key role in securing several new client accounts.



Frederick

## NewQuest Properties

NewQuest Properties has expanded its land group and tenant advisory services in an ongoing quest to add experienced talent to its veteran brokerage ranks. **Joe Burke** and **Charles McGahren** recently joined the team as vice president and associate, respectively. **Travis Walton** is the newest senior associate in tenant advisory services. NewQuest now holds the distinction of having one of the largest land-focused brokerage groups in Houston and the state.



Burke



McGahren



Walton



## Patrinely Group

**Nic Bustamante** recently joined Patrinely Group as senior vice president of data center development. With more than 20 years of experience in the global hyperscale data center development space, he will be responsible for overseeing the company's data center development efforts around the country. Bustamante most recently served as the head of global infrastructure strategy, research and development at Apple. Before his experience at Apple, he held similar managerial positions at Google, Microsoft and Rackspace, among others.



Bustamante

## Port of Corpus Christi

The Port of Corpus Christi's newest Commissioner, **Rajan Ahuja**, has been sworn in. Commissioner Ahuja is the CEO of Texegy LLC, as well as president and COO of SV Energy Co. LLC, both independent oil and gas exploration and production companies in Corpus Christi. Ahuja has nearly 35 years of experience in the oil and gas industry and has been a resident of Corpus Christi for 33 years. He replaces Al Jones on the Port Commission.



Ahuja



## Rastegar Property Co.

Rastegar Property Co. has added **Neal Golden** as president. Golden is a distinguished real estate veteran credited with building one of New York's premier real estate brands who is taking on a new role with one of the most active and fastest growing firms in the region. Golden joins Rastegar from commercial real estate titan Newmark, where he's credited as being a key figure in establishing the brand and scaling the business.



Golden

## Stewart Title

Houston-based Stewart Information Services Corp. (NYSE: STC) announces that **Ana Vilella-Murillo** has been hired as the new group vice president for the Southeast. Prior to joining Stewart, Vilella-Murillo worked at First American Title for 24 years, serving as vice president of operations since 2014 and spending the last two years managing operations in Florida.



Vilella-Murillo

## TexAmericas Center

The Association of Defense Communities has elected **Scott Norton**, executive director and CEO of TexAmericas Center, to its board of directors. Norton leads the Texarkana-based TexAmericas Center, which is responsible for the economic development of a 12,000-acre industrial complex that sits on parts of the former Lone Star Army Ammunition Plant and Red River Army Depot. Norton has worked with local, state and federal officials to increase access to incentives for business prospects and designate the area as qualified Opportunity, Foreign Trade and Enterprise Zones to encourage development, investment and employment.



Norton

## Trademark Property Co.

Trademark Property Co., a mixed-use investment, development and operations firm, is expanding its development capabilities by entering the multifamily business and hiring **Chad Colley** as multifamily partner and senior vice president. In his new role, Colley will lead ground-up mixed-use development efforts while leveraging Trademark's team to focus on deal sourcing, site planning, underwriting, construction and other related activities. Prior to Trademark, Colley served as director of development for Criterion Development Partners, where he was responsible for the acquisition and development of multifamily and mixed-use properties in Southern markets.



Colley

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