

Movers & Shakers: Colliers expands hotel division & more

Hires and promotions also at CC Homes, Native Realty, Aztec Group

Colliers International South Florida brought on John Wijtenburg to focus on hotel and resort investment sales in Florida. Wijtenburg, a vice president, is joining the team of Colliers' executive vice president Rich Lillis. He was previously with [InSite Group](#) as director of business intelligence and analytics.

Diana Ibarria was promoted to senior vice president of sales at [CC Homes](#). Her experience includes positions at Westbrooke Homes and Standard Pacific Homes. She was previously senior vice president of CC Homes' Naples division.

Commercial broker Steve Paige joined Reichel Realty & Investments as executive director, focusing on office, industrial and retail sales and leasing in Palm Beach County. He was previously with NAI/Merin Hunter Codman.

Jaime Sturgis' firm Native Realty brought on R. Bruce "Buzz" Smith. His experience includes nearly 30 years at Stiles Realty and more recently the Rotella Group. At Native Realty, Smith will focus on investment sales and corporate relocations. Sturgis launched the Flagler Village-based brokerage in May after leaving [Metro 1](#).

EWM Realty International hired eight associates at its Coral Gables/South Miami office: Julian Acosta, Carolina de Cardenas, Marcelo Pizzato Dante, Stephanie Perez Harris, Maria Ines Marta, Jennifer Wackenhut, James Wheeler and Katie M. Wheeler.

Sara M. Hernandez, senior vice president and business development team leader at Coconut Grove-based Biscayne Bank, was installed as 2018 president of CREW-Miami. The organization's new executive board also includes President Elect Keren Marti of First American Title Insurance, Treasurer Rosa Bravo of Morrison Brown Argiz and Farra, Secretary Andres Rodriguez of ADC architects, and Governance/Parliamentarian Gayle Bainbridge of Global Risk LLC.

Auberge Resorts Collection named Tim Arnold as general manager of [Auberge Beach Residences & Spa](#) Fort Lauderdale, a 171-unit luxury condo development in Fort Lauderdale Beach.

Bahia Mar Fort Lauderdale Beach – a DoubleTree by Hilton, promoted Lisa Namour to general manager. The property is part of developer Jimmy Tate's [Bahia Mar redevelopment](#), a \$500 million mixed-use project.

Rivergate KW Residential hired Stephanie Brown as senior vice president of client services. She was previously director of business development for the Rainmaker Group.

Manuela Barson joined BGI Capital as it expands into Palm Beach County. Barson will lead the Palm Beach division of the firm, focusing on providing traditional, specialty and bridge financing.

Aztec Group hired Brell Tarich as a senior associate. He was previously with Rialto Capital.

Former Broward County attorney Joni Armstrong Coffey joined Akerman LLP's Land Use and Development Practice as a partner in the Miami and Fort Lauderdale offices.

Marquis Bank is expanding into Broward County with a loan production office and new branch in downtown Fort Lauderdale. Steven Sanzone left Stonegate Bank to lead the new team, and is joined by senior vice president and commercial lending officer Mark Huard, banking center manager Jerry Grace and commercial loan assistant Hazel Acea.