

## **ULI North Texas' Women's Leadership Initiative Hosts 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Capital Markets Update**

DALLAS, TX – **For immediate release.** The Women's Leadership Initiative ("WLI") of the Urban Land Institute ("ULI") of North Texas is hosting the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Capital Markets Update breakfast. The event titled "The Current Equity Market: Finding Your Match", will be held at the Belo Mansion and Pavilion on March 20, 2018 at 7:30 a.m.

With the recent stock market fluctuations, change in leadership at the Fed, and rising interest rates, funding real estate investments can be tricky. This event brings together some of the top industry experts to discuss recent trends in the equity capital markets and tips on how to find equity to fund your projects.

Michele Wheeler, President and COO at Jackson-Shaw Company, will moderate the panel. The speakers for this year's program are:

- Mary Hager, Co-Founder and Partner at Thackeray Partners
- Carrington Brown, Executive Director, Investments at USAA Real Estate Company
- Greg Kraus, Managing Director and Director of Acquisitions at Invesco Real Estate

When asked about the event, Michele Wheeler said, "I am excited to have a robust conversation with leading industry executives about their investment strategies, how they differentiate themselves in the market with their investors, and what challenges they face with placing equity. Given today's unique capital market dynamics, this is sure to be an engaging conversation and one of ULI's most anticipated events of the year.

Rachel Dillard, Chair of the Women's Leadership Initiative elaborated further saying, "The major tenant of WLI as an organization is to provide avenues for female ULI members to gain exposure both within their career and within ULI. As WLI was planning this event, that was our main focus. We are very excited to have Mary Hager on the panel and Michele Wheeler as moderator. In addition, we are looking forward to future ULI events where we have the ability to provide exposure to our other female members."

For information on sponsoring about the ULI North Texas 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Capital Markets Update, contact Pamela Stein, Executive Director, Urban Land Institute at [pamela.stein@uli.org](mailto:pamela.stein@uli.org).

### **About the Urban Land Institute**

The Urban Land Institute ([www.uli.org](http://www.uli.org)) is a nonprofit education and research institute supported by its members. ULI's mission is to provide leadership in the responsible use of land and in sustaining and creating thriving communities worldwide. Established in 1936, the Institute has more than 40,000 members worldwide and over 1300 members in North Texas, representing a wide range of land use and development professions.

### **About the Women's Leadership Initiative**

The Women's Leadership Initiative is a program within ULI with the mission to raise the visibility and number of women leaders in ULI and the real estate industry.

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