

RKG ASSOCIATES PRESIDENT, CRAIG SEYMOUR, ANNOUNCES RETIREMENT

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RKG Associates, Inc. President and Managing Principal, Craig Seymour, will be retiring as of December 31, 2020 after a 34-year career with the company. Mr. Kyle Talente, Vice President and Principal, will serve as RKG's third president upon Mr. Seymour's retirement. Mr. Eric Halvorsen, Vice President and Principal, will take over as managing partner of RKG's New England operations.

Craig has been with RKG Associates almost since its inception, joining the company as a principal in January 1987. Craig became the president upon the retirement of company founder, Richard Gsottschneider, in 2010. During Craig's tenure with RKG Associates, he has played a critical role in establishing and overseeing the company's financial management and building new practice areas within the company. As president, Mr. Seymour oversaw RKG's New England operations and played a critical role in strengthening RKG's corporate resiliency. Craig also led the company's corporate headquarter transition from New England to our office in Alexandria, VA.

"Craig is, has been, and always will be one of the founding pillars on which RKG Associates grows. His achievements and accomplishments are too numerous to list, but all helped define RKG Associates' reputation for delivering high-quality, market-driven strategies that have benefitted hundreds of communities throughout the United States. Craig was a pioneer in the Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) process from the first round in the late 1980s, working with several dozen military communities on planning for redevelopment and preparing diversification strategies," said incoming president Kyle Talente. "More importantly, Craig has been a mentor and true friend to me and the entire RKG team. His contributions will be impossible to replace. I want to thank him for all he has done to get RKG Associates to this point."

"Working with Craig to re-establish our New England office here in Boston has been one of the highlights of my career. Craig has laid the foundation for this company's success for decades to come with his consummate professionalism, business acumen, and ability to translate what we do to a range of audiences," said Vice President Eric Halvorsen. "While I am excited about the future ahead, Craig's presence as a colleague and a friend will be missed. I want to thank Craig for his decades of commitment to this company and wish him the best in retirement."

“As the old saying goes – *‘when you love what you do, you can’t call it work’*. I can’t believe it’s been more than 30 years since I started down this incredibly rewarding path. Working with incredible people and helping build an organization that will continue to excel at helping our clients navigate the complex world of real estate development, has truly been a pleasure. I am looking forward to Kyle’s leadership and fully expect to keep engaged with the RKG family, although in a more limited fashion, as they continue to grow the company and explore new and better ways of delivering high quality advisory services to clients.”

RKG Associates is a full-service economic, planning and real estate consulting firm with offices located in Alexandria, Virginia, Boston, Massachusetts, Atlanta, Georgia, and Dallas, Texas. Since our founding in 1981, the firm has successfully completed thousands of consulting assignments regionally, nationally, and internationally, providing a comprehensive range of economic, planning, marketing, and management services to governmental, business, and institutional clients. The firm currently employs 10 full-time professionals and support staff and has grown to become one of the most respected economic and real estate advisory consulting firms in the United States.

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