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REAL ESTATE CONSULTANTS RECEIVES NATIONAL RECOGNITION FOR WORK WITH EDWARD JONES

BARRINGTON, IL – October 27, 2016 – REC President and Managing Broker, James A. Hopkins, is pleased to announce his commercial real estate firm's most recent acheivement as REC was honored at the 6th Annual Vendor Awards held in St. Louis, Missouri in September.

"It was a double honor to receive recognition for the work our corporate division provides in both our Chicago and Denver-based offices as we work energetically with our business partners, Cushman & Wakefield and Edward Jones, to provide the highest levels of tenant representation which requires every aspect of our service model from site surveys through successful lease negotiations," says Hopkins.

Hosted by Cushman & Wakefield, the 6th Annual Vendor Awards was held on September 20, 2016 at Winghaven Country Club in O'Fallon, Missouri. The annual event brings together a family of professional partners, to acknowledge outstanding contributions, and to strategize new and improved ways to better serve our valuable clients.

Pictured left to right: REC Brokers: Frank Bedo, Alex Becker, Greg Schuster (Cushman & Wakefield) and Jim Hopkins



This year's event bestowed 'core values' inspired recognition to its recipients with REC's team of brokers, James A. Hopkins, President & Managing Broker for REC Illinois and Colorado, Frank R. Bedo, Senior Vice President for REC Illinois and Alexander F. Becker, Vice President for REC Colorado.

Category - COLLABORATION: *We value teamwork* TEAM INTEGRATION AWARD: What company as a whole has best integrated their team with ours and our clients' team? (Real Estate Consultants)

Karen Grillo, Cushman & Wakefield's Business Manager shared, "We have been working with Frank Bedo and Jim Hopkins out of the Chicago branch for over 20 years. Fortunately the team expanded to Colorado three years ago and have been a huge benefit to us as our client's growth has expanded very rapidly in the entire state of Colorado. Currently, Frank is working on nine searches in the Chicago area while the Colorado team are assisting with more than 20 searches for our client, Edward Jones. The Chicago branch has completed well over 200 deals in the past several years while the Colorado office completed 27 since 2013 which does not include the more than 20 currently active assignments," with Grillo adding, "Real Estate Consultants are a true partner in every aspect of what partnership means."



James A. Hopkins founded Real Estate Consultants of Illinois, LLC and Real Estate Consultants of Colorado, LLC,

serving as President and Chief Executive Officer for both companies. As managing broker for REC-Illinois, Jim directs a seasoned staff of commercial real estate professionals who present a full menu of services including sales, leasing, finance, relocation, expansion, acquisition and buyer/tenant representation throughout the Midwest.

Real Estate Consultants of Illinois, LLC is a full-service commercial real estate firm based in the Chicago suburbs and doing business throughout the Midwest. REC presents a staff of experienced professionals ready to assist investors and business owners in all aspects of their real estate needs with a full service menu that includes sales, leasing, finance, relocation, expansion, acquisition and buyer/tenant representation.

REC Mlission Statement: To build wealth for our clients through the use of innovative and effective marketing strategies, skilled negotiations and conscientious, energetic delivery of commercial real estate services.

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