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AOBA Announces 2015 Leadership

Washington, DC – At its Annual Meeting on Jan. 22 at the Mayflower Hotel, the Apartment and Office Building Association of Metropolitan Washington kicked off its 41st year by installing the organization's 2015 Board of Directors, presenting its annual report, and unveiling a new logo. These local real estate industry executives will guide the Association's policies and programs for the year.

The Association's 2015 President is **Sean Warfield**, Director, Tishman Speyer Properties. An accomplished CRE executive and Maryland native, Sean Warfield has worked with Tishman Speyer Properties for the past eight years. Since he began his first property management position with Carr America in 1996, Sean has been active in AOBA. He has been instrumental in the DC government affairs arena, including serving as Chair of the DC Legislative and Regulatory Issues Committee. At the Annual Meeting, he stressed that a key goal for 2015 is to find ways to help mentor the next team of AOBA leaders so that more property managers understand how important it is to get engaged and to build an industry network.

In addition to Warfield, the following individuals were elected to the Board of Directors:

Treasurer: Mark Benedetti, Vice President for Property Management, Blake Real Estate, Inc.

Vice President - Multifamily: Arianna Royster, Executive Vice President, Borger Management, Inc

Vice President – Multifamily: John H. Ritz, President, William C. Smith + Co.

Vice President – Commercial: Paul Davis, Senior Vice President and Director of Operations, J Street Companies

Vice President - Commercial: Ben Comm, Managing Director, DTZ

Virginia Government Affairs Committee Chair: Robert Koltiska, Vice President – Property Tax, UDR, Inc

Virginia Political Action Committee Chair: Morton I. Funger, Chairman of the Board, Community Realty Company, Inc.

DC Government Affairs Committee Chair: Caroline Kruger, Regional Property Manager, Boston Properties

DC Political Action Committee Chair: Peter Bonnell, Senior Vice President, The UIP Companies, Inc.

Maryland Government Affairs Committee Chair: David H. Hillman, CEO, Southern Management Corp.

Maryland Political Action Committee Chair: Gary L. Campbell, President, Grady Management, Inc.

Professional Development Liaison – Multifamily: Todd Bowen, Vice President - Operations, Kettler Management

Professional Development Liaison – Commercial: Kathy Knizner, Vice President – Asset Management & Customer Service, Duke Realty Corporation

Membership Committee Liaison – Multifamily: Harald Mangold, President, Scott Management, Inc

Membership Committee Liaison – Commercial: Judith A. Tria, Vice President, Property Management, First Potomac Realty Trust

At-Large: Shawn Kyle, Senior Vice President, Property Management Services, Vornado/ Charles E. Smith

At-Large: Jackie Duke, Vice President, Operations, Brookfield Office Properties

Associate Representative: Keith Gurley, Vice President of Corporate Development & Training, Daycon Products Company

Executive Vice President/Secretary: Margaret "Peggy" Jeffers, Executive Vice President, AOBA

Also at the Annual Meeting, the organization recognized the members of its active 2015 Associates Coalition Team (ACT), including 2015 Chair **Keith Gurley**, Daycon Products Co., Inc. **Kelly Murray**, Acadia Windows & Doors, was honored as the **2014 Outstanding Associate Member**. ##

AOBA is the local affiliate of the Building Owners and Managers Association International (BOMA) and the National Apartment Association (NAA). For more info, please visit www.aoba-metro.org.