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Message from Your President

Our firm has been in our current building since 1970. At that time, it was a new building and one of the few “skyscrapers” in Portland. As I look out my window today, the skyline has changed dramatically. The newest addition to the skyline is the Park Avenue West building currently under construction, where our firm will be relocating in June 2016.

Although I've supervised many relocation and remodel projects in multiple cities, this has been an exciting project to be involved with. It's not often you get a chance to work with a building's landlord, engineers, and architects who are designing a building from the ground up. Those of us on the design and project committees have taken several tours of the new space since the concrete floors were poured, getting to see the structural design of the steel beams and how the outside windows and skin of the building are secured. It's going to be a beautiful space that we'll know inside and out.

As with any move, there are things we'll miss at our current location and things we'll be happy to leave behind. As a facilities manager, one of the things I'll miss the most will be our building engineers. The engineers at our current location have decades of experience. They're a known commodity and have been with us through some fairly significant challenges over the years. Like firefighters, everyone breathes a collective sigh of relief when they arrive. These types of relationships will be hard to leave behind.

I've already been approached by several local law firm facility managers seeking insight into the design of our new space, and into the new technologies and amenities that our firm and the landlord will provide. This will be a good topic for a roundtable discussion for our Legal Industry Council members at a future date. (Of course, there will be plenty of discussion topics to choose from!)

Lastly, I want to give everyone a progress report on the Benchmarking Survey. The finishing touches are now being put on the report. We've reviewed and verified all the data and confirmed that the format of each graph and chart matches all previous survey answers. I'd like to thank Gensler once again for helping make this survey possible and give special thanks to all members who participated.

All the best,
Michael Lesage

Note to Our Membership

In fond memory of our friend **Mark Roberts**.



Membership Spotlight



Please welcome **Jaclyn Lee** to IFMA in the role of Senior Component Liaison. Jaclyn will provide daily support to IFMA's component volunteer leaders and members. She will work closely with marketing and membership on creating and implementing component social media campaigns, helping drive traffic to the online community and more to support our volunteer leaders.

Jaclyn has a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology with a minor in information systems and statistical analysis from Pennsylvania State University. Prior to joining IFMA she served as Online Systems and Membership Coordinator for the Houston Chapter of the Associated General Contractors of America. Jaclyn brings a wealth of

knowledge in membership recruiting and retention, online community platforms and providing support to advisor boards.

Benchmarking Survey News

Congratulations to the following individuals who received a gift card for completing our Benchmarking Survey!

- **Jeff Schelinski** - Levin Schreder & Carey, Ltd.
- **Harold Weller** - Akerman Senterfitt
- **Katherine Long** - Morrison & Foerster, LLP
- **Michael Anderson** - Skadden Arps, LLP

Coming Soon

A presentation to the membership on "*Emotional Intelligence in the Workplace.*" Look for the invitation in the upcoming weeks.



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New LIC Board of Directors

On behalf of the Council, we'd like to thank **Mike Lesage**, outgoing Board President, for his years of service. We look forward to Mike's continuing involvement in his position of Past President.

Your new Board of Directors looks forward to working with you as of July 1. Please feel free to contact any of them with questions, comments or suggestions.

President



Joseph Geierman, previously Vice President, is Senior Manager of Facilities Operations at Troutman Sanders LLP, where he has worked since 2009. Prior to joining the firm he worked for nine years at EarthLink, holding various facilities-related positions. Joseph graduated with highest honors from the University of California at Santa Cruz and holds a master's degree in Building Construction and Facility Management from the Georgia Institute of Technology. He was elected President of the Atlanta Chapter of IFMA for the 2014-2015 term. Joseph has earned IFMA's Certified Facility Manager (CFM) and Facility Management Professional (FMP) designations and is one class away from completing CoreNet's MCR designation. He has been

recognized by his peers in the Atlanta Chapter of IFMA with the Martha C. Osborne CFM award and the Distinguished Member Award.

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Vice President



Noel McNulty is Facilities Manager at Arnold & Porter LLP, where he is responsible for all Real Estate, Operations and Administrative/Office Services in the firm's San Francisco and Silicon Valley offices. Noel joined Arnold & Porter in 2012 after five years as Facilities Manager with mid-sized San Francisco firm Howard Rice. Prior to joining Howard Rice, he was a member of the Facilities Department at Farella Braun + Martel for more than five years. An active member of the IFMA and Legal Industry Council communities for more than 12 years, Noel is currently serving as President of the San Francisco Chapter of IFMA. He has also served as the chapter's Treasurer

and is an advisory board member for UC Berkeley Extension's facilities management program. A native of Ireland, Noel came to the US in 1993 and began working in the hospitality industry for the Omni & Hilton Hotel Groups. He is currently pursuing his CFM designation and, once completed, plans on obtaining his SFP credential.

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Treasurer



Stephen Pasco will continue in his position as Council Treasurer. He is Director of Operations for Nutter McClennen & Fish LLP, a 135 year old Boston law firm. Prior to Nutter, Stephen worked with Kronos, a time management software/hardware company, as Manager of Administrative Services and Facilities and at Bingham McCutchen, an international law firm based in Boston, as Director of Facilities and Operations. During his 13 years at Bingham Stephen received his Bachelor of Science in Accounting from Salem State University in 2004 and his Master's Degree in Law Firm Management from The George Washington University in 2012. Stephen has been involved in many mergers, large office relocations and construction

projects throughout his career in facilities and operations. He also has vast knowledge of finance in the professional services industry and office services outsourcing from his previous experience Palmer & Dodge LLP and Pitney Bowes Management Services, respectively.

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Secretary



Steven Rothmund will continue in his position as Council Secretary. He is the Office Services Manager at the Chicago office of Sidley Austin LLP, where he has worked since 2000. His primary responsibilities include the oversight of various support service areas including Reprographics, Mailroom, Supplies, Message Center/Switchboard and Maintenance. Steve also assists the Chicago office facilities director with various departmental responsibilities, manages the facilities department staff and is involved with various firm wide initiatives. Before being developed into separate departments, Steve also managed the Conference Center, Audio Visual and Security/Life Safety departments. He previously worked in a similar capacity at Ernst & Young

LLP. Before that he was a Senior Account Operations Manager for Merrill Corporation's outsourcing division where he was responsible for several Chicago based clients. He has been a member of the Legal Industry Council for 13 years and has served as the council liaison for IFMA's Chicago Chapter.

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The IFMA Community provides a place for users to post and generate discussion on either a general or specific topic and to learn from the collective wisdom of peers.

Community volunteer opportunities:

- Volunteer manager
- Regular contributor
- Volunteer moderator
- Subject matter expert
- Share ideas, expertise, best practices



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