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## **KBS Capital Markets Group Expands Sales Team**

NEWPORT BEACH, Calif., (August 31, 2015) – [KBS Capital Markets Group](#) (member FINRA and SIPC), a distributor of real estate-related investment products, announced today the hiring of Paul DiMartino and Stephen Gongola as regional vice presidents for KBS Capital Markets Group. DiMartino and Gongola will report to Jeff Kremin, national sales manager for KBS Capital Markets Group.

As regional vice presidents, DiMartino and Gongola will be responsible for building relationships with financial advisors in their respective territories and for the distribution of real estate investment products backed by the institutional experience and service of KBS. DiMartino will focus on the Florida and Puerto Rico markets, while Gongola will focus on Indiana, Illinois and Wisconsin.

“Paul and Stephen bring a wealth of expertise and experience that will bring tremendous value to our sales team,” said Mick Manning, CEO of KBS Capital Markets Group. “They are natural fits for KBS, and we are looking forward to having them on board.”

Prior to joining KBS, DiMartino worked for Lightstone Capital Markets and ProShares. He has more than 18 years of experience in the financial services industry, including several leadership positions at Morgan Stanley and Smith Barney. He received his MBA and Bachelor’s degrees in accounting from the University of Dayton in Ohio and currently holds FINRA Series 7, 8, 9, 31, 63 and 65 registrations.

Gongola previously served as a vice president for Innealta Capital. Prior to that, he worked for Prudential Financial and Goldman Sachs. Gongola received a Bachelor’s degree in finance from Miami University in Oxford, Ohio. He holds FINRA Series 6, 7, 65 and 63 registrations.

“We are thrilled to welcome Paul and Stephen to our sales team,” said Jeff Kremin, national sales manager for KBS Capital Markets Group. “Their addition will further strengthen our ability to service financial advisors across the country.”

### **About KBS Capital Markets Group**

KBS Capital Markets Group (“KBS-CMG”) is a distributor whose team connects financial advisors and their clients to KBS Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs) products. KBS-CMG was formed in early 2005 to distribute a broad range of real estate and real estate-related investment products exclusively through investment professionals. The company helps financial

advisors and their clients tap directly into real estate opportunities historically available only to large institutions. For information, visit <http://www.kbs-cmq.com/>.

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