

Colliers International Hires Ben Thomason to Lead New Debt Advisory Team in UK

-- Colliers increases strength and breadth of UK National Capital Markets department with addition of specialist debt advisory team --

London, September, 3rd, 2018 – Top tier global real estate services and investment management company Colliers International has today announced the appointment of Ben Thomason as Director and Head of Debt Advisory in the UK. Ben Thomason, alongside fellow directors Laurence Richardson and Adrian Rowland and a team of four from Asset Leverage Consultants (ALC) in Jersey will join Colliers' UK National Capital Markets division reporting to division head, John Knowles.

“Ben and the ALC professionals are highly regarded throughout the UK real estate and banking industries. They have exceptional experience to help us deliver the strategic growth of our capital market business that is required for us to continue to accelerate the success of our clients,” said Tony Horrell, Colliers International CEO, UK & Ireland. “This addition will give us access to 200+ existing lending relationships in the UK, allowing us to reach a network of lending providers outside of the mainstream scope.”

Thomason joins Colliers International from Asset Leverage Consultants (ALC) in Jersey, where he has been Managing Director since 2013 providing debt advisory solutions across all real estate asset classes. Ben has 20 years' experience within the debt advisory and real estate banking sectors having held roles at Standard Chartered Bank, National Australia Bank and Royal Bank of Scotland. He brings with him a team of six professionals from ALC including fellow directors, Laurence Richardson and Adrian Rowland who specialise in providing bespoke, impartial credit solutions for family offices, trustees, private clients, operating businesses, funds and private equity managers.

Colliers is now able to provide debt advisory lending solutions across the capital stack through a single point of contact, removing time and cost pressures for investment and property clients.

“We can now offer a holistic lending service for complete debt provision, both on sale and purchase of assets, as well as providing care and maintenance on an on-going basis, offering relationship touch points between transactions,” added John Knowles, Head of UK National Capital Markets at Colliers. “As the debt and financing space grows more and more complex with new lending solutions, we can improve financial performance for clients through our increasingly specialised debt advice and bespoke loan solutions.”

Ben Thomason, Colliers' new Head of Debt Advisory in the UK said: “We are excited to be joining the fastest-growing global real estate services and investment management company and becoming part of its UK National Capital Markets team. We are looking forward to working with the team to build on the existing strong track record of success and to seizing the growing number of advisory opportunities presenting themselves in the market currently.”

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investment management company operating in 69 countries with a workforce of more than 13,000 professionals. Colliers is the fastest-growing publicly listed global real estate services and investment management company, with 2017 corporate revenues of \$2.3 billion (\$2.7 billion including affiliates). With an enterprising culture and significant employee ownership and control, Colliers professionals provide a full range of services to real estate occupiers, owners and investors worldwide, and through its investment management services platform, has more than \$20 billion of assets under management from the world's most respected institutional real estate investors.

Colliers professionals think differently, share great ideas and offer thoughtful and innovative advice to accelerate the success of its clients. Colliers has been ranked among the top 100 global outsourcing firms by the International Association of Outsourcing Professionals for 13 consecutive years, more than any other real estate services firm. Colliers is ranked the number one property manager in the world by Commercial Property Executive for two years in a row.

Colliers is led by an experienced leadership team with significant equity ownership and a proven record of delivering more than 20% annualized returns for shareholders, over more than 20 years.

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