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RK Centers Hired Hans Ottinot, City Attorney of Sunny Isles Beach, as Vice President of Government Relations and Chief Legal Strategist.

SUNNY ISLES BEACH - R K Centers, a family held real estate development company, has hired long-time Sunny Isles Beach City Attorney, Hans Ottinot, as Vice President of Governmental Relations and Chief Legal Strategist. Within these roles, Ottinot will assist the company in navigating the regulatory process and provide strategic legal advice on matters relating to the leasing and acquisition of real property.

RK Centers is expanding its real estate portfolio in South Florida with recent acquisitions in Broward County. "Bringing Hans on the team is important because he has a keen understanding of the transactional side of development and can also defend the company's interests in litigation," said Raanan Katz, the owner of RK Centers. "Hans is also a former athlete like myself and extremely competitive."

Ottinot has worked for the City of Sunny Isles Beach for almost 19 years, which includes 14 years as City Attorney. "Joining RK Centers is an enormous opportunity for me to join a very successful company, which is critical to the economic engine of our country. I have had a wonderful experience with the City but I look forward to working with Raanan and Danny Katz and the rest of the family."

RK Centers owns in excess of 8 million square feet of commercial property throughout Boston, Greater New England, and South Florida. Katz' development philosophy is to operate with minimal debt in acquiring properties. RK Centers' success is based on maintaining close working relations with tenants, customers, and local and regional entities. In addition to serving as City Attorney of the City of Sunny Isles Beach, Ottinot has served as City Attorney of North Miami and Miami Gardens. He has recently served as Chair of the 11th Circuit Court Judicial Nomination Commission and Chair of the statewide Florida Bar Committee for the City and County Local Governments. Ottinot has also been recognized as one of the top government attorneys in Florida by Florida Trend's Magazine and South Florida Legal Guide.