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**COMMERCIAL INDUSTRIAL BROKERS SOCIETY OF LONG ISLAND**

**APPOINTS FARRELL FRITZ PARTNER PETER CURRY AS COUNSEL**

MELVILLE, NY (April 8, 2009) -- The Commercial Industrial Brokers Society of Long Island (CIBS), has appointed Peter Curry, a partner in the real estate law group at Farrell Fritz LLP, as the organization's counsel.

A resident of Cold Spring Harbor, N.Y., Curry has a broad-based transactional real estate law practice that concentrates on commercial real estate sales, acquisitions, leasing and development, and economic development.

Curry succeeds the late Larry Feldman, also a partner at Farrell Fritz, who died in March.

"The recent loss of our dear friend and talented counsel, Larry Feldman, was truly an untimely tragedy -- one that is both difficult to fully comprehend and to recover from," said Jeffrey Schwartzberg, president of CIBS. "However to the contrary, deciding upon a replacement for Larry, was not difficult."

Schwartzberg said Feldman's firm, Farrell Fritz, a long time supporter of CIBS, was eager to continue the long standing relationship that Larry had created and offered Peter Curry's services. CIBS' leadership accepted their offer.

"Peter is a well known, heavily experienced, commercial real estate attorney who brings to the table a solid base of knowledge and history, having been supportive and knowledgeable of Larry's activities for years," Schwartzberg said. "With Peter, I suspect, the organization will hardly miss a beat. We look forward to embarking on this journey with such a talented and experienced professional."

A frequent lecturer on continuing legal education course, Curry chaired the real estate and financing practice group at Rivkin, Radler, & Kremer, a large multi-jurisdictional firm,

before joining Farrell Fritz. He previously practiced with a multi-national Chinese law firm from 1979 to 1983.

A member of the New York State Bar, Curry is admitted to practice in New York State before the United States District Court for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York. He received his Juris Doctor degree from Fordham University in 1978 and Master of Arts degree in American history from the University of Virginia in 1974. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Fordham University in 1973.

Curry, who is also general counsel for the Downstate New York Region of the Society of Industrial & Office Realtors (SIOR), is on the Board of Directors of the Cinema Arts Centre in Huntington, Friends Assisting Nassau Seniors and The Interfaith Nutrition Network (INN).

### **About CIBS**

Founded in 1992 to unify the commercial brokerage community, CIBS today is the largest commercial real estate organization in Nassau and Suffolk Counties with more than 340 members. The organization's mission includes strengthening and uniting the industry, advocacy of professional standards, maintenance of a positive image for the industry and fostering economic development on Long Island. For more information about CIBS, visit [www.cibs-li.org](http://www.cibs-li.org) or contact membership co-chairs Jenna Pollack of Cushman & Wakefield (631) 425-1221, or Roy Chipkin of CB Richard Ellis Real Estate Services Inc., (516) 677-1721.

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