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Katten Muchin Rosenman Adds James Sheesley as Partner in Real Estate Practice in Washington Office

WASHINGTON – **Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP** is pleased to announce that <u>James P.</u>
<u>Sheesley</u> has joined the Firm as a partner in its <u>Real Estate Practice</u>. Mr. Sheesley will be based in the Firm's Washington office.

Prior to joining Katten, Mr. Sheesley was counsel in the Washington office of Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr LLP. Before that, he was with the New York office of Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft LLP.

Mr. Sheesley concentrates his practice on commercial real estate law with a focus on acquisition, development, financing and disposition transactions. He advises developers, investors and owners in domestic and international transactions involving all major asset classes, including office buildings, retail centers, multi-family properties and land assemblage. Mr. Sheesley also has significant experience in construction and design contracting, commercial leasing and general business law. In addition to his work on behalf of owners, Mr. Sheesley represents investment banks in mortgage loan originations and securitizations. His current practice encompasses the entire range of real estate finance structures, from portfolio loans and partnership syndications to private equity investments, securitized mortgages and mezzanine loans.

Mr. Sheesley received his B.A. from Loyola University New Orleans and his J.D. from Cornell Law School.

Katten has one of the most extensive real estate practices in the United States, with more than 100 real estate attorneys firm wide. With its London affiliate – <u>Katten Muchin Rosenman Cornish LLP</u> – the practice has developed an international presence with combined experience in the U.S. and European real estate and real estate capital markets, enabling it to provide premier servicing solutions and capabilities on both sides of the Atlantic.

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