



McKniff joins HGAR as government affairs director

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The Hudson Gateway Association of Realtors (HGAR) has appointed Christopher McKniff, Esq. of Manhattan as its government affairs director. McKniff will help to develop HGAR's policies and objectives involving local, state, and federal government affairs, as well as analyze proposed legislative actions and their potential impact on the Association. In addition, he will be monitoring legislative and regulatory activities and recommending association positions.

Prior to joining HGAR, McKniff worked with The Zucker Org./Manhattan Skyline Management where he drafted appeals briefs, settlement agreements and deed transfer documents for this firm managing more than 30 buildings, including some 2,700 units in 16 states.

Previously, he worked with Karp & Kalamoutousakis, LLP of New York representing landlords in all phases of real estate litigation, and with the Catholic Charities, Progress of People Development Corp. in Brooklyn. Additionally, McKniff has worked with Maclay, Murray and Spens, LLP in Edinburgh, UK and Hayes Soloway, P.C. - Intellectual Property Worldwide in Tucson, AZ.

"Legislative advocacy is one of the most important benefits we can offer to our members. Whether it's on a local, regional or national level, we are always looking out for the needs of home owners, home buyers and real estate professionals," said Richard Haggerty, HGAR CEO. "We are excited to have Chris join our HGAR family, and look forward to working with him."

McKniff holds a J.D. from New York Law School and a B.A in Psychology from the University of Southern California.

The Hudson Gateway Association of REALTORS® (HGAR) is a not-for-profit trade association covering over 9,000 real estate professionals doing business in Westchester, Putnam, Rockland, and Orange counties. HGAR is comprised of the former Westchester Putnam Association of REALTORS® (WPAR), Rockland County Board of REALTORS® (RCBR) and Orange County Association of REALTORS® (OCAR).

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