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AccorHotels

Mark Purcell has been appointed vice president, development, North America

Mark brings over 25 years of experience in the hospitality industry focused in the areas of acquisitions and development, finance and operations. He previously led a regional development team for Starwood Hotels & Resorts which secured management and franchise agreements on more than 100 hotel projects across all Starwood brands.

Mark began his career with Interstate Hotels and Resorts in 1988 working at three different Marriott hotels. He joined the corporate office in 1994 leaving as vice president, acquisitions and development to join Starwood in 2005. He has a bachelor of business administration, management sciences and marketing from St. Bonaventure University in New York.

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Aimbridge Hospitality

Seth Williams has been appointed head of Asian capital markets

Seth will be responsible for creating and executing a comprehensive strategy to leverage the strength of Asian capital markets in relation to the company's hotel management offerings. Prior to joining Aimbridge, he advised companies across the US on China strategies.



Seth graduated from the University of Texas in 2008 with an economics degree. He also has a graduate certificate in US China Relations. Based in Dallas, Aimbridge currently owns and/or manages approximately 500 upscale, independent and branded hotels across the United States and the Caribbean.

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BookingTek

Jenny Kurdle has been appointed senior VP, US

Jenny, a veteran of the hospitality industry, was formerly executive vice president at Micros (now Oracle Hospitality) where she spent 25 years. Leading a 2,000 strong workforce, Jenny managed a portfolio of global F&B and hotel clients and was instrumental in developing the strategy to drive business within multiple verticals including casinos, airports, stadiums and cruise ships.

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BridgeStreet Global Hospitality

CA Anderson is appointed senior vice president of global development and real estate

A veteran of the hospitality industry, with more than 30 years of real estate and operations experience, CA was previously managing director of investments for Cambria Hotels & Suites of Choice Hotels International. He has also worked for Interstate Hotels & Resorts, Cornerstone Real Estate Advisers, Red Lion Hotels and Japan Airline Development Group.

During his career, CA has also been responsible for managing all aspects of hotel real estate investing. His accomplishments include the development of 17 world class luxury hotels, encompassing a variety of product types from commercial business properties to complete resort venues. He has a degree from San Diego State University and is a past guest lecturer at New York University and Cornell Hotel School.

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Steve Burns is appointed managing director for EMEA and APAC

An Irish national, Steve arrives with a range of experience in travel, specifically in the airline sector. He spent eight years with easyJet within network performance, revenue management and marketing, and held the positions of commercial director for bmibaby and chief operating officer for Tiger Airways.

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Carlson Hotels

Ken Greene has been appointed president of the Americas

Prior to joining Carlson Rezidor, Ken was the CEO of Greenehouse Consulting, a Toronto-based start-up that provides management consulting and advisory services on company strategy, branding, and real estate transactions. Prior to that, he was the president and chief executive officer for Delta Hotels and Resorts, where he repositioned the company as a leader in the Canadian upscale, full-service hotel segment.

From 2001-2012, Ken held various positions at Wyndham Worldwide, including president and managing director, helping to establish Wyndham's Asia Pacific regional headquarters.

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Carlson Rezidor

Mark Willis has been promoted to area senior vice president for the Middle East, Turkey & Africa

British national Willis has more than 20 years' experience in the hospitality industry, including more than 15 years with Carlson Rezidor. He will continue to be based in the group's Dubai area office.

Mark previously held the role of area vice president Middle East & Sub-Saharan Africa from 2012 to 2015. He began his career as a chef, working at hotels in South Africa, the UK, and Middle East.

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Gulf Hotels Group

Ron Peters is appointed deputy chief executive officer

Ron joined GHG in August 2006 as general manager of Gulf Brands International, and has since then led its strategic transformation into one of the most successful beverages businesses in the Kingdom.

A seasoned professional, Ron has over 20 years' experience in the UK and Middle East covering the hospitality, leisure, and food and beverages retail sectors. His successful track record has embraced strategic, business and operational development at a senior executive level, including new concepts and brand management.

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Hard Rock International

Jon Lucas has been promoted to chief operating officer

Jon has until recently been the brand's executive vice president of hotel &

operations. In his new role, he will report directly to Chairman and CEO Jim Allen. Under his leadership, the brand acquired the Hard Rock casino and hotel-rights in the western US, as well as key international markets, spearheaded casino entry into Canada and entered the hotel management sector.

Ron originally joined Hard Rock in 2013 as the president of the Hard Rock Rocksino in Northfield Park, where he managed everything from site design and construction to the hiring and onboarding of key executives. Prior to joining Hard Rock, he was the president and general manager of the IP Casino in Biloxi, Mississippi for six years.

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Dale Hipsh has been promoted to senior vice president

Previously vice president of hotel operations development, Dale will now oversee the entire hotel portfolio for Hard Rock International and reporting to Jon Lucas. In his previous role, Dale opened twelve properties in diverse areas across the world.

He first joined the Hard Rock brand to lead operations for the opening of both Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino properties in Tampa and Hollywood, Florida. Dale's hospitality career began with Hyatt Hotels and Resorts and has included assignments with Sun International and the Ritz-Carlton Hotel Company.

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Sean Caffery has been appointed senior vice president casino development

Sean joins the Hard Rock as a seasoned executive with years of industry experience. Prior to Hard Rock, he was the chief executive officer and board member of Seneca Commission for Economic Development, where he served for three years. Sean also spent four years at M&T Bank Corporation and two years at Osborne & Partners, LLP.

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Hilton

David Marr has been appointed senior vice president global head of full service brands

David was most recently senior vice president and a global brand leader at Starwood where he oversaw both the Tribute Portfolio and Sheraton Hotels & Resorts. He was responsible for leading the revitalization efforts for Sheraton Hotels & Resorts, and launching the Tribute Portfolio.

David was previously Starwood's senior vice president of brand management for North America and held a number of other marketing and sales leadership roles in his 16 years with the company. Prior to his time at Starwood, he spent more than 12 years with Marriott International in sales,

marketing and business strategy roles.

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Host Hotels & Resorts

Mary Hogan Preusse has been appointed to the board of directors

Mary brings more than 25 years of REIT industry expertise. Until May 2017, she was managing director and co-head of Americas Real Estate for APG Asset Management, a Host shareholder, managing \$13 billion in REITs and other public real estate securities. She was on the firm's executive board from 2008-2017

Prior to joining APG in 2000, she was a sell-side analyst covering the REIT sector for eight years and began her career at Merrill Lynch as an investment banking analyst. Mary currently serves as a director on the boards of Kimco Realty, VEREIT, and Digital Realty Trust.

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Hoteles City Express

Paul Smith Márquez has been appointed chief financial officer

With his extensive experience, Paul will contribute to the profitable growth of the fast growing Mexican hotel group through the analysis and implementation of strategic alternatives for the Company, the financing of new properties, the enforcement of investment policies to maximize financial returns, the optimization of accounting systems and expense controls, and investor relations programme management.

He was previously finance director at Grupo Marti, a sports store operator in Mexico, where he was also a board director. Paul has an accounting degree in from the Universidad Panamericana in Mexico and an MBA from Harvard.

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Hyatt Hotels Corporation

Malaika Myers has been appointed the company's chief human resources officer

Malaika assumes the role at Hyatt after serving in a similar capacity at Jarden Corporation and Arysta Life Science. Her career of more than 25 years also includes senior HR positions at Diageo and PepsiCo.

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Oakwood Worldwide

Craig Simmons has been appointed senior vice president and chief human resources officer

Craig has more than 25 years' experience and was most recently CHRO for American Apparel. He has been an HR leader for the Screen Actors Guild Pension & Health Plans, Catholic Healthcare West, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center and Nestlé and has had his own consulting company.

Craig earned his Juris Doctorate from the University of San Francisco School of Law, his master's degree from Georgetown University and his bachelor's degree from the University of Southern California.

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Pentahotels

Andrew Munt has been promoted to vice president operations

Andrew joined pentahotels in 2010 and played an integral role in the brand's entry into the UK market as general manager of pentahotel Reading. He was promoted to regional director UK three years later, before becoming head of pentahotels UK in 2016. During this period, he played an active role in the conversion of six new UK properties.

Andrew studied hotel and catering management in Manchester, and began his career at Ramada Jarvis, followed by a move to De Vere.

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Redefine BDL

Sabina Shaida has joined the company's executive committee as chief commercial officer

Sabina brings more than 30 years' experience in sales and marketing in the hospitality industry, and will work across RBH's branded properties including IHG, Hilton, Accor, Marriott and Wyndham Hotels, as well as the company's private label hotels.

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SBE

John Chan has joined the company as senior vice president, development

John has 13 years of corporate deal making and development experience. Prior to his current position, he worked at Starwood Hotels & Resorts for 12 years, most recently, focusing on global development. He also previously led strategic development, operations, finance and contracting

for its supply chain group.

John also previously worked at Cendant Corp, the predecessor of Wyndham Worldwide, Realogy, Avis Budget and Travelport/Orbitz, in corporate development, focusing on timeshare and travel distribution opportunities. He began his career in investment banking at ING Barings.

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Shangri-La Hotels and Resorts

Oliver Bonke has been appointed president and chief operating officer

Oliver has nearly 30 years of experience in the hospitality industry, most recently with Loews Hotels as chief commercial officer. He joined Loews Hotels from InterContinental Hotel Group where he was chief commercial officer of the Americas.

Prior to IHG, Bonke spent 24 years with Starwood Hotels and Resorts Worldwide, Inc., holding sales, marketing and operations leadership positions across the globe, and becoming senior vice president of sales and marketing for Europe, the Middle East and Africa. Oliver credits his first summer job at a hotel in his hometown of Hamburg, Germany, for his penchant to explore the world.

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