

## Law



### Illinois Court of Claims, Chicago

Governor Bruce Rauner has appointed **Peter J. Birnbaum**, president and CEO, Attorneys' Title Guaranty Fund Inc., as chief justice of the Illinois Court of Claims, which was established by the legislature in 1889 as a forum of limited jurisdiction to render decisions on monetary claims and lawsuits against the state.

## Real Estate



### The Opus Group, Chicago

Opus Development Company LLC announced the promotions of **Bryan Farquhar** (on the left) and **Matt Kurucz** to senior manager, real estate development. Both have been instrumental in growing Opus' portfolio of work in the Chicago market, with Farquhar focusing on multifamily and office developments and Kurucz expanding Opus' industrial development pipeline.



### Sperry Van Ness Chicago Commercial, Chicago

**Deena Zimmerman** joins Sperry Van Ness Chicago Commercial as vice president. An award-winning real estate veteran, previously with Jameson Commercial, Zimmerman will focus on tenant representation, specializing in locating high-quality sites for national operators, franchisees and first-time entrepreneurs throughout Chicagoland, the Midwest and the U.S.

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### Banking / Finance



### Wells Fargo Bank, Chicago

**Andy Patel** joined Wells Fargo Bank as a Business Development Officer in the Commercial Banking office in Chicago. Andy was previously with First Midwest Bank and JPMorgan Chase. Andy is responsible for building relationships with middle market businesses and introducing them to Wells Fargo's full suite of products and services.



### Altair Advisers LLC, Chicago

Altair Advisers, an investment adviser to high-net-worth individuals, families and foundations, has named **Tom Meilinger** its director of national business development. Most recently serving as head of national sales for BMO Harris Private Bank in Chicago, Tom previously held senior positions with Vogel Consulting and Jacobus Wealth Management.

## Construction



### Skender Construction, Chicago

**Lisa Latronico** to Vice President, People and Culture, from Human Resources Director. Latronico has been a vital member of the Skender team since 2001 and has pioneered a number of employee enrichment and recruiting programs, leading the firm to be recognized as a best place to work in Illinois.



### Skender Construction, Chicago

**Jeffrey Janicek**, to Vice President, from Construction Executive at Mortenson Construction. Janicek has managed the construction of large, highly-technical ground-up facilities for projects throughout the Midwest, including the Silver Cross Replacement Hospital in New Lenox and the University of Chicago's North Residence Hall and Dining Pavilion.

## Energy



### Nordic Energy, Oakbrook Terrace