

## NAIOP SoCal Past-President Justin McCusker Appointed to NAIOP's 2024 National Board of Directors

**Santa Ana, CA (February 28, 2024)** – NAIOP SoCal's 2024 Past-President Justin McCusker has been appointed to the NAIOP National Board of Directors, joining more than 60 commercial real estate leaders from across the country.

In this role, McCusker will work alongside industry leadership to further elevate the commercial real estate development industry at the national and local level by providing advocacy, education, research, and business development.

"This is an immense national honor and an exciting next step in serving the commercial real estate industry. I enjoyed my time as president of NAIOP Southern California as we experienced significant membership and organizational growth. I look forward to being a voice for Southern California on the board and gaining a greater perspective on NAIOP's work at a national level," said McCusker who serves as senior executive with C.J. Segerstrom & Sons and South Coast Plaza.



NAIOP SoCal CEO Timothy Jemal shared, "Justin has been a major contributor to NAIOP SoCal's growth and I'm certain he will be a strong voice at the national level."

To underscore the immense impact of the industry, NAIOP released its annual study published by the NAIOP Research Foundation that measures the contribution to GDP, salaries and wages generated and jobs supported from the development and operations of commercial real estate in the U.S. For 2023 the study reported that in 2023, new office, industrial, warehouse and retail space contributed \$1.2 trillion to the U.S. economy.

As noted, McCusker serves as a senior executive with C.J. Segerstrom & Sons and South Coast Plaza. C.J. Segerstrom & Sons is a family-owned real estate development company known for their internationally acclaimed shopping center South Coast Plaza.

He serves both as the Director of the South Coast Plaza Office Division and as Director of Community and Government Relations. The office building portfolio includes a prominent trio of office properties with Plaza Tower, a 460,852-square foot office building designed by renowned architect Cesar Pelli; Center Tower, a 462,191-square foot office building that features 21-stories of Swedish Napoleon red granite; Park Tower, a 17-story 338,070-square foot office building, that was renovated by renowned architect Helmut Jahn; and the 393 room Westin South Coast Plaza.

Actively involved in his community and industry McCusker serves on a variety of local, regional and statewide organizations. McCusker received his Doctorate from the University of Southern California in Planning, Policy and Development, his master's degree from California State University-Fullerton in Public Administration, and his bachelor's degree from Western Michigan University in Political Science.

**About NAIOP SoCal**: NAIOP SoCal, the Commercial Real Estate Development Association, comprises more than 1,300 members serving southern California. NAIOP SoCal is the leading organization in Southern California for developers, owners and related professionals in office, industrial, retail, and mixed-use real estate. NAIOP SoCal advances responsible commercial real estate development and advocates for effective public policy. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.naiopsocal.org">www.naiopsocal.org</a>.

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