

BOMA/Chicago Mentorship Program Mentor & Mentee Testimonials

Diana Ciepiela (Mentee), Property Administrator at JLL

BOMA/Chicago's mentorship program is a great addition to the RPA designation process. Whether you are a seasoned CRE professional or new to the industry, it is always nice to have a CRE expert (from another PM company) help you with class-related questions or issues and questions that arise on the job. The mentorship program is what you make of it. I was towards the end of my RPA when I joined the mentorship program. I had been in the CRE industry for about six years and even though my mentor and I did not meet very often, we each knew that if we needed to reach out, we could. I highly recommend this program.

Thomas Rountree (Mentee), Chief Engineer at Cushman & Wakefield

Being able to have a lifeline in the field of asset management is knowing you have options, resources and people that are there to help you. BOMA/Chicago's mentorship program is just that – having someone you can reach out to and pick their brain. Whether it be work or career-related, the program allows you to form a learning relationship with a senior-level CRE professional. Since joining the program, I have had the opportunity to ask the tough questions and push new boundaries in my career.

Alexa Stritecky (Mentee), Property Administrator at GlenStar Asset Management

I joined the mentorship program at the start of my RPA journey. This program has given me insight into the RPA program and classes and has also given me a great professional connection in the form of a mentor from another PM company. My mentor has pushed me to look into and explore opportunities that I wasn't aware of. In addition to being a mentor, he has been a priceless resource with extensive knowledge in the industry. I would highly recommend joining this mentorship program!

Loriann Duffy (Mentor), Director of Property Operations at Northwestern Memorial HealthCare

It has been a great experience meeting and discussing career goals with my mentee. Many of the challenges she is facing are ones that I have encountered in my past. I appreciate the opportunity to provide guidance to those looking to advance themselves in the real estate industry.

Mike Giese (Mentor), Senior Vice President at GlenStar Asset Management

The BOMA/Chicago mentor program enabled me to share my own experiences as well as those that other real estate professionals generously shared with me. I have also learned a lot from my mentee. I encourage all RPA grads to become a mentor.

Charlie Moriarty (Mentor), General Manager at the The Feil Organization

Hearing about the struggles and accomplishments of someone new in the industry is refreshing. Long dormant ideas have come to the forefront giving me a renewed and better perspective on some aspects of my own work. Just as importantly, I have gained a new friend, which is always great.

To learn more about the mentor program, please reach out to
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