



## Local Real Estate Manager Earns Professional Designation

SPRINGFIELD, MO, April 7, 2011 – Ryan Murray, Vice President of R.B. Murray Company, headquartered in Springfield, has earned the CERTIFIED PROPERTY MANAGER® (CPM®) designation from the Institute of Real Estate Management (IREM®), an affiliate of the National Association of REALTORS®. The CPM® designation is awarded to real estate managers who have met the Institute's rigorous requirements in the areas of professional education, examination and experience. CPM® Members must also abide by a rigorous Code of Professional Ethics that is strictly enforced by the Institute.

Murray is now in his fourth year at R.B. Murray Company, after having graduated with Distinction Honors with a B.A. in Business Administration from the Leeds School of Business at the University of Colorado at Boulder. Now serving as a Vice President, Murray is involved with the company's sales, property management, and receivership divisions. Ryan is one of a very select few real estate professionals in Southwest Missouri to achieve the CPM designation, and since 2008 Ryan has been the only real estate professional in Southwest Missouri to attain the LEED AP (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Accredited Professional) designation. Ryan currently enjoys serving on the board for the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Missouri.

### ABOUT THE INSTITUTE OF REAL ESTATE MANAGEMENT

The Institute of Real Estate Management (IREM®) has been the source for education, resources, information and membership for real estate management professionals for more than 75 years. An affiliate of the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS®, IREM is the only professional real estate management association serving both the multi-family and commercial real estate sectors. With 80 U.S. chapters, 12 international chapters and several other partnerships around the globe, IREM is an international organization that also serves as an advocate on issues affecting the real estate management industry.

Membership includes more than 18,000 individual members and 500 corporate members. IREM promotes ethical real estate management practices through its credentialed membership programs, including the CERTIFIED PROPERTY MANAGER® (CPM®) designation, the ACCREDITED RESIDENTIAL MANAGER® (ARM®) certification, the ACCREDITED COMMERCIAL MANAGER (ACOM) certification and the ACCREDITED MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATION® (AMO®) accreditation. These esteemed credentials certify competence and professionalism for those engaged in real estate management. In addition, IREM offers Associate, Student and Academic memberships.

Collectively, IREM CPM® Members in the United States manage over \$1.5 trillion in real estate assets, including 8.4 million residential units and 8.4 billion net square feet of commercial space. An additional 977,400 residential units are managed by IREM ARM® Members. IREM Members are employed by some of the most prestigious real estate firms in the world and nearly 70% hold upper-level management positions. Due to their professionalism and vast experience, property owners and investors worldwide continually seek out the management services of IREM Members.

To learn more about the Institute of Real Estate Management and its chapter network, call (800)837-0706, Ext. 4650 (outside the U.S. call (312) 329-6000) or visit [www.irem.org](http://www.irem.org).

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