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Archer Continues Philly Growth With Real Estate Partner Hire

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Law360 (October 22, 2025, 4:18 PM EDT) -- Archer & Greiner PC announced that an experienced real estate attorney has joined the firm's Philadelphia office as a partner from High Swartz LLP.

Michael Stutman

Michael J. Stutman joined Archer & Greiner at the start of October following a year and a half with High Swartz and around eight and a half years running his own firm, according to his LinkedIn page.

Stutman told Law360 Pulse Wednesday that he was drawn to Archer & Greiner because of the firm's platform and attorneys, along with the ability to focus his work on the Philadelphia market.

"It's a really good group of lawyers, and I think it gives me an opportunity to really expand my practice and focus on Philadelphia-based deals, which is really the cornerstone of my practice," Stutman said. "It also gives me an opportunity to help with the firm's other practice groups, especially lending a hand to the real estate and corporate groups where they need it."

A graduate of Temple University's Beasley School of Law, Stutman focuses on working with clients such as developers, investors, property owners, lenders and businesses on the various aspects of corporate real estate, including acquisitions, financing, development, leasing and management, Archer & Greiner said. The firm added that he also brings experience in general corporate and transactional matters including mergers, joint ventures, and securing grants, loans and tax incentives.

In a statement, Marc Rollo, the firm's **incoming president**, said of Stutman, "He has deep experience across the entire spectrum of real estate transactions, and his ability to help clients navigate the current market environment and align with their business objectives will make him a great asset."

Stutman said that at the moment, he has a significant amount of work in the multifamily property space to go along with that in the construction and mixed-use property fields.

"The move has been pretty seamless, and it'll benefit my clients in the long run because the firm provides a great platform to handle whatever types of issues might come down the pike for them," he said. "There's so many issues that can pop up in a real estate deal, ranging from purchase price, the amount of time the buyer has to do due diligence, what a fair price for the deposit is, and financing contingencies. You'd be surprised what points parties would negotiate over, so you have to stay nimble and proactive when responding to these issues."

Archer & Greiner currently has around 175 attorneys across nine offices in Delaware, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania and Texas.

--Editing by Robert Rudinger.