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Real estate luminary Stephen Siegel joins Gift of Life Marrow Registry Board of Directors

Wife, Wendy had lifesaving marrow transplant in 2013 to cure leukemia

Boca Raton, Fla.— August 15, 2016— The [Gift of Life Marrow Registry](#), an international bone marrow donor registry, announced today that Stephen Siegel, Chairman of Global Brokerage at [CBRE](#), the world’s largest real estate company, has joined its board of directors. Siegel joins 12 existing members including Warren Eisenberg, Co-Founder and Co-Chairman Bed, Bath and Beyond.

Mr. Siegel, a notable force in the real estate industry, is regarded as one of the sector’s most accomplished leaders. He has arranged multimillion-dollar transactions for some of the nation’s most prominent corporate clients. Prior to its merger with CBRE, Mr. Siegel was Chairman and CEO of Insignia/ESG, where he was largely responsible for masterminding that firm’s successful national and global expansion. He is noted not only for groundbreaking client transactions, but also for an unmatched record of philanthropy and community service. Mr. Siegel has been profiled in *The Wall St. Journal* and other leading publications, and was cited by *Crain’s* as one of the 100 Most Influential Business Leaders in New York City.

“It is a major honor for me to be elected to the board of Gift of Life,” said Mr. Siegel. “Having four years to-date of direct involvement in the lifesaving work of the organization, I am looking forward to contributing in any way I can.”

A resident of New York City, Mr. Siegel has deep ties to Gift of Life. His wife, Wendy, was diagnosed with leukemia in 2012 and her lifesaving stem cell transplant came from a matching donor found in the Gift of Life registry. Since his wife’s diagnosis, the Siegels have worked tirelessly to support the organization and raise awareness of the cause. To date, their efforts have resulted in more than 21,000 donors, 282 matches, and 33 transplants.

“We are thrilled to welcome Steve to our board,” said Gift of Life CEO and Founder Jay Feinberg. “For the past three years he has put tremendous energy and time into our organization, and we are now incredibly fortunate to welcome his expertise and business acumen to our team.” Feinberg is, himself, a bone marrow transplant recipient. It took four years of recruitment drives to find his matching donor. The difficulty of that search led him to found Gift of Life, with the mission of increasing the diversity of marrow registries so that every person battling blood cancer can find a match.

“We are appreciative of Steve’s assistance in making our 2016 Gala a success,” said Gift of Life Chairman of the Board William Begal. “The organization is excited to benefit from his experience and guidance as we start another quarter century of serving, saving lives and making the world a better place.”

Mr. Siegel has a long history of serving on nonprofit boards, at one point sitting on 16 of them, and has been called by *The Wall St. Journal*, “the most generous person in the industry.” In 2015, he was honored for his contributions to the Young Women’s Leadership Network’s CollegeBound Initiative, a program that creates opportunities for low-income students to attend college, serving 13,000 students per academic year. Mr. Siegel has also been recognized with numerous other awards for his philanthropy. In addition he established the Stephen and Wendy Siegel Rabin Fellow at the American Friends of Rabin Medical Center, and the Charles and Ann Siegel Scholarship Fund at Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law.

About Gift of Life

The Gift of Life Marrow Registry is a national non-profit headquartered in Boca Raton, Fla. The organization, established in 1991, is dedicated to curing blood cancer through marrow and stem cell donation. To learn more about the Gift of Life Marrow Registry, visit www.giftoflife.org.

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