

Smith, Jamieson and Ostop of Jones Lang LaSalle complete \$99 million sale for CityPlace

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Jones Lang LaSalle's (JLL) capital markets experts have closed the sale of UnitedHealthcare Center in downtown, for CityPlace LLC. The 884,669 s/f, 39-story class A tower was purchased for \$99 million. The tower is the tallest building in the state and the only office tower in the city greater than 30 floors.

Managing directors Michael Smith and Scott Jamieson and executive vice president Chris Ostop led the JLL team on this transaction.

"The sale of UnitedHealthcare Center marks the largest in Hartford in more than two years," said Smith. "The high quality investment grade tenants, including anchor tenant UnitedHealth Group, along with its excellent location, high quality construction and consistently high historical occupancy made this property extremely compelling and we received numerous offers for the property."

UnitedHealthcare Center is formerly known as CityPlace I and is located at the corner of Asylum and Trumbull Sts. Completed in 1983, it was designed by Skidmore, Owings & Merrill, built by Urban Investment and Development and has undergone significant renovations during the past five years.

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