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Name: Michael Grunberg

Title: Principal and Managing Member

Company: Grunberg Realty

Location: 280 Trumbull St., Hartford, CT 06103 & 926 Broadway, New York, NY 10010

Birthplace: Caracas, Venezuela

Family: Children: Skyler, 12; Allegra, 18; Tatiana, 18; Zachary, 18, and a dog, Hero, 7

College: Vassar College

First job outside of real estate: Photography, at the age of 16 I was a freelance photographer for several politicians in Manhattan.

First job in real estate or allied field: I worked one summer for Douglas Elliman Gibbons and Ives in NYC, in their Collections Dept.

What your firm does now and its plans for the future: We own and manage a variety of real estate investments from Scottsdale to Hartford and NYC in between. I hope to expand in the near future.

Hobbies: Collecting watches, cars, boating, travel and avoiding golf

Favorite book: "Of Mice and Men" by John Steinbeck

Favorite movie: "The Princess Bride"

Person you admire most (outside of family): Larry Bidermann, I worked for at Merrill Lynch, who treated me like a "prince among men."

Keys to success: Consistency, tenacity and the tenant is almost always right.

If you had to choose a different profession, what would it be? An architect, although not classically trained, the highlights of my life are usually my creative endeavors.

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