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## **Grubb & Ellis hires Hurd as vice president**

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According to Grubb & Ellis Co., Karen Hurd, has joined the firm as vice president, investment services.Â

Most recently, Hurd, a 17-year real estate and financial services verteran, was an assistant vice president with Compass Exchange Advisors. In this role, she spent the past three years strategizing with clients and their advisors on the disposition and acquisition of real and personal property involved in tax-deferred exchanges.

During her career, Hurd has been involved in transactions totaling in excess of \$500 million.Â Prior to joining Compass Exchange Advisors, she held a business development position with Edward Jones, and marketing and asset management positions for real estate investment firms Marblehead Realty Trust and The Berkshire Group, formally The Krupp Cos.

"We are extremely pleased that Hurd has joined our private capital investment group," said Stephen Brodsky, executive vice president and managing director of Grubb & Ellis' Boston office."

Brodsky said, "given the current state of economic uncertainty, where many companies are trimming staff, we welcome the opporutuity to hire well respected, top industry performers who can offer the very best service for our clients."

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