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## **Michael Robinson joins Avison Young in New York City**

***Highly regarded commercial appraiser becomes Principal,  
will work with valuation and advisory group***

**New York City – Mitti Liebersohn, Avison Young** Principal and President of the firm’s New York City office, announced today the strategic hiring of highly regarded commercial real estate appraiser **Michael Robinson**.

Effective immediately, Robinson becomes a Principal of Avison Young and will work with the New York office’s valuation and advisory group. He will offer appraisal and valuation consulting services for current company assignments and generate new opportunities on a wide range of property types.

Robinson brings more than 25 years of commercial real estate appraisal experience to Avison Young. Prior to joining the firm, he spent 20 years with KTR Real Estate Advisors in New York City.

“Michael is a top-level appraiser with many years of experience and is a highly respected and recognized expert in the New York marketplace,” comments Liebersohn. “We are excited to bring his distinctive set of skills to Avison Young to enhance our already strong property appraisal service-line offering. Michael will play a leading role in expanding our appraisal services in the New York City area and nationally, ensuring that clients have the most current valuation data at their fingertips. His diverse experience will also enable us to better service clients in all asset classes and facilitate more transactions involving multi-property portfolios.”

Robinson began his career at Laventhol & Horwath and was later a part of the Chase Manhattan Bank real estate investment banking team before moving to KTR. He has appraisal and valuation experience involving a wide range of real estate, including office, retail, hotel, industrial, health care, multi-family residential and mixed-use properties. He is widely regarded as an expert in analyzing demographic trends, the viability of a particular property and its market value.

“As we continue the expansion of our valuation and advisory team and take on even more high-profile assignments, Michael, a native New Yorker who has first-hand knowledge on the history of many assets, will enhance our ability to provide clients with the critical appraisal and high-level insight needed when buying and selling properties,” says **Arthur Mirante**, Avison Young Principal and Tri-State President.

“Michael’s client-centric focus and collaborative approach to all assignments and transactions make him an ideal fit for our company as we deliver a broad range of valuation and consulting services to clients dealing with all property types – small-to-large as well as multi-national,” adds Mirante. “He will also help us attract top appraisal talent who fit seamlessly into our corporate culture, which emphasizes teamwork at all times.”

A licensed real estate appraiser, Robinson holds a Master of Fine Arts from the American Film Institute and has simultaneously enjoyed a second career as a film producer. Select work includes Robert DeNiro’s *A Bronx Tale*, Rob Reiner’s *North* and Tony Scott’s *The Fan*. He has also produced independent films that have cast Ryan Gosling, Amy Adams and David Morse, and has written and directed both documentaries and children’s films. In addition, he holds a Bachelor of Science degree in business administration from the State University of New York (SUNY) at Albany.

“I am delighted to join Avison Young’s valuation and advisory group and have long been impressed with the company’s unmatched platform and steadfast commitment to client service,” says Robinson. “In addition to access to the highest caliber market data, the firm also offers something that is very important to me – a Principal-led environment that fosters collaboration. I am looking forward to expanding the client roster of the valuation and advisory team and, at the same time, taking my career to the next level.”

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