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Kim Krugman joins Avison Young as Executive Vice-President, Chief Legal Counsel and Director of Human Resource Services

TORONTO, Jan 10, 2011 /PRNewswire via COMTEX/ -- Mark E. Rose, Chair and CEO of Avison Young, Canada's largest independently-owned commercial real estate services company, announced today that Kim Krugman has joined Avison Young as Executive Vice-President, Chief Legal Counsel and Director of Human Resource Services. She will be based in the company's Chicago office.

Effective immediately, Krugman will oversee all legal, human resources and risk-management matters for Avison Young. She was most recently Vice-President, Senior Counsel at Grubb & Ellis Company in Chicago.

"In order to remain at the forefront of our highly competitive industry, Avison Young recognizes the need to continually add new resources to the company," comments Rose. "We are very pleased to welcome Kim to the leadership team and to have someone with her solid legal background, strong industry expertise and commitment to quality join our company."

Over the past two years, Avison Young has grown from 11 to 23 offices and from 300 to more than 700 real estate professionals across Canada and in the U.S.

A Chicago native, Krugman brings to Avison Young 15 years of legal experience. She started her legal career at the law firm Coudert Brothers in San Francisco. She then returned to Chicago, joining law firms Neal, Gerber & Eisenberg and Much Shelist. In 1995, Krugman served a judicial externship with former Chief Judge Terry J. Hatter, Jr. at the United States District Court for the Central District of California. Since 2000, Krugman has been a certified mediator and has done volunteer mediation work for the Center of Conflict Resolution in Chicago. She served at Grubb & Ellis Company from 2006 to 2010.

Krugman holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Arizona State University and earned her Juris Doctor from the SCALE Program at Southwestern University School of Law, where she was on the Dean's List and the Law Review. She was also a Moot Court Honor's Program member and the recipient of several other awards. Krugman is licensed to practice law in the states of California and Illinois.

"I wanted to work with the best in the industry and decided on Avison Young because it is moving beyond the traditional ways of doing business," says Krugman. "Avison Young's approach is to be client-centric and the company has redesigned the corporate structure to deliver what the client needs, by eliminating service line silos, right-sizing infrastructure, collaborating across the organization and using best-in-class external resources to deliver client solutions. I look forward to executing on these goals and working with the Avison Young team."

Founded in 1978, Avison Young is Canada's largest independently-owned commercial real estate services company and the only national, Canadian-owned, principal-managed real estate brokerage firm in the country. Headquartered in Toronto, Ontario and ranked among Canada's leading national commercial real estate organizations, Avison Young is a full-service commercial real estate company comprising more than 700 real estate

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