



Margulies & Associates Congratulates Bill Holland, AIA for Earning LEED® Professional Accreditation

BOSTON, Mass. – December 12, 2005 – Margulies & Associates, one of Boston’s most innovative architectural and interior design firms, is proud to announce that Senior Associate Bill Holland, AIA recently achieved recognition as a LEED® Accredited Professional.

The LEED Green Building Rating System is designed to encourage energy and resource conservation in the construction and operation of buildings. LEED Accredited Professionals (LEED APs) support and encourage integrated design and help project teams streamline the LEED application and certification process. The LEED AP program was designed to recognize individuals who have demonstrated the skills and expertise necessary to participate in the green building design process.

“As members of the design community, we play an important role in our future. In the United States, buildings use 1/3 of the energy, 2/3 of the electricity, 1/4 of the harvested wood, and 1/6 of the fresh water consumed annually,” said Marc Margulies, AIA, principal at Margulies & Associates. “We are committed to assisting our clients as they incorporate sustainable design into their projects and congratulate Bill on his professional achievement.”

Holland has 30 years of architectural design and project management experience working on commercial and institutional projects. Currently the project manager for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts, Holland is leading the total renovation and re-design of a 340,000 square foot facility in Quincy, Mass. Other projects include complete interior architectural design for new corporate headquarters for RSA Security, interior renovations for consolidated regional offices for McKesson Corporation, new interior architectural design for Lois Paul & Partners, and a new corporate headquarters for Gomez.

A member of the Boston Society of Architects (BSA) and the American Institute of Architects (AIA), Holland holds a Master of Architecture and a B.S. in Art and Design from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT).

About LEED

The LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Green Building Rating System is a feature-oriented rating system where credits are earned for satisfying specified green building criteria. The five major environmental categories of review include: Sustainable Sites, Water Efficiency, Energy and Atmosphere, Materials and Resources, and Indoor Environmental Quality. Certified, Silver, Gold, and Platinum levels of green building certification are awarded based on the total credits earned. LEED Rating Systems are currently available for New Construction, Commercial Interiors and Existing Buildings. In addition, rating systems for Core & Shell, Neighborhood Development and Homes are currently in progress. The LEED standard has been adopted nationwide by federal agencies, state and local governments, and interested private companies as the guideline for sustainable building. For more information, please visit www.usgbc.org.

About Margulies & Associates

Now in its 17th year of operation, Margulies & Associates is a Boston design firm providing architecture and interior design services to the corporate, institutional, and real estate communities. The firm's corporate clients include Liberty Mutual, Fidelity Investments, Forrester Research, RSA Security, Akamai Technologies, and Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts. For more information, please visit www.margulies.com.

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