

## **Katz & Associates Hires McNaughton As Retail Associate in Boca Raton, Florida**

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Shifting careers, Ben McNaughton, previously a development manager at Rise, a real estate company in Jacksonville, Florida, has moved to Katz & Associates in Fort Lauderdale as a retail associate.

This transition represents a significant change for McNaughton as he transitions from a background in multi-tenant and land acquisitions to a focused role in the dynamic world of retail real estate.

Katz & Associates, a national firm that has been in operation since 1996, has offices in New York City, Charlotte, North Carolina, Nashville, Tennessee, New Jersey, Chicago and key Florida hubs in Boca Raton and Orlando.

McNaughton grew up in a family of commercial real estate executives. His family's connection to the industry runs so deep that even his brother has established a career in real estate in South Florida. He holds a bachelor's degree in finance and accounting from the University of Miami, with a strong emphasis on commercial real estate studies.

While in college, McNaughton was a retail capital markets analyst at JLL. He is also now a member of the International Council of Shopping Centers (ICSC).