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Sophisticated Real Estate Counsel Responds to Nonprofits' Evolving Needs

Jack P. Flanagan, a Senior Associate in the Real Estate practice at Paul Hastings LLP, practices all areas of commercial real estate, with an emphasis on real estate finance. Mr. Flanagan received a B.A. from Binghamton University in 1990 and a J.D. from Brooklyn Law School in 2003.

Mr. Flanagan helped **Neighborhood Housing Services of New York City, Inc.** (NHS) draft and negotiate a commercial lease, whereby a pizza franchise leased otherwise unused space in a for-sale mixed-use building in the Bronx from an NHS affiliate. NHS provides financial empowerment, affordable lending, and educational services that help individuals and families to invest in and improve their neighborhoods and homes. This lease generated income to benefit NHS programs. Jeffrey Schanback, General Counsel at NHS, commented, "All pro bono attorneys should be as helpful as Jack Flanagan. He has been a pleasure to work with, and very responsive to our needs."

When the **Brooklyn AIDS Task Force** (BATF) sought assistance negotiating a lease that would enable the organization to consolidate and streamline its operations, Mr. Flanagan stepped in to assist. BATF's Executive Director, Elaine Greeley, says, "One of our leases included gut renovations, and took a long time to complete. We had no experience with complicated leasing and construction, but Jack was very patient with us and did a spectacular job. He has a good staff, and works with them wisely." BATF provides HIV-infected and affected individuals of Brooklyn with culturally-sensitive HIV/AIDS prevention education, comprehensive social services, and extensive community advocacy.

Other Lawyers Alliance clients Mr. Flanagan has served include: **Cathedral of Joy Community Development Corporation, Urban Homesteading Assistance Board, SAGE – Services and Advocacy for GLBT Elders, and 82nd Street Academics.**

Mr. Flanagan comments on his pro bono experience, "These experiences have given me the satisfaction of helping these organizations achieve their larger charitable objectives, as the transactions I worked on have given them the ability to provide a platform for their services in their neighborhoods. As a lawyer, there is nothing more rewarding, on a personal level, than knowing your professional efforts have contributed to the greater good of the community. Also, I am grateful for the support and appreciation the individuals from these organizations have always shown me and value their friendship."