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CBIA Announces Addition of Government Affairs Liaison

NAPLES, FL (August 25, 2014) The Collier Building Industry Association is pleased to announce the hiring of Patrick Neale to consult on government affairs activities locally and at the State level. Mr. Neale will work with the CBIA Board of Directors and Executive Vice-President in facilitating, evaluating and preparing CBIA positions and recommendations relative to legislative and regulatory matters affecting the industry.

Mr. Neale has been a member of the Florida Bar for over 30 years and has resided in Collier County since 1987. He represented the Collier County Contractors' Licensing Board for over fifteen years and has appeared before the Legislature, Governor and Cabinet, the Collier County Commission, City of Marco Island Council, state and federal courts and various governmental boards and agencies on behalf of clients.

Mr. Neale's law practice is concentrated in the areas of small business and contractor law, land use, real estate, zoning, governmental and administrative law, foreclosure prevention and defense and bankruptcy. Active on many non-profit boards, Mr. Neale was named the 2014 recipient of the Leadership Collier Foundation LCF Alumni Association™ Distinguished Alumni Award. He is a graduate of the University of Miami School of Law.

ABOUT CBIA:

The Collier Building Industry Association ("CBIA") is a not-for-profit organization representing the collective voice of the Collier County building industry serving as the primary advocate on behalf of construction. CBIA also provides members pathways to continuing education, relationship building and opportunities to be of service to our community.

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CBIA represents over 350 local companies. Our primary members include builders, developers, remodelers, engineers, architects and planners working in the construction industry. Also represented are associate members which include industries that provide ancillary goods/services directly to the construction industry.

CBIA is one of 800 state and local associations and operates under the auspices of the Florida Home Builders Associations and the National Association of Home Builders. For more information about CBIA go to www.cbiamet.com and www.paradeofhomesnaples.com.

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