

**RICHARD BOWERS & CO., DOWNTOWN ATLANTA, LURE BANTA
IMMIGRATION LAW OUT OF MIDTOWN AND INTO NEW SPACE AT 260
PEACHTREE**

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February 25, 2009 (Atlanta, GA) – Richard Bowers & Company, Atlanta’s largest independently owned commercial real estate brokerage, announced that the firm has recently completed a deal with Banta Immigration Law, for a 6,081 square foot office lease at 260 Peachtree St. in Downtown Atlanta. Randy Hoyer (VP office & industrial) and Richard Bowers (CEO) represented Banta Immigration Law. George Smeltzer (SVP office) and Owen Middour (broker/agent), also of Bowers & Co. represented the lessor, 260 LP in the deal.

“Downtown’s growth, in terms of amenities, and its outstanding transportation access are highly attractive,” said Robert Banta, founder and managing partner of Banta Immigration Law. “260 Peachtree is a first-class building and offers the best value among the properties we considered. I like that Richard Bowers & Company, the owner-manager of the building, will be just a few floors above us. I am 100 percent confident in Richard Bowers’ commitment to the success of their project. We are looking forward to joining the community of the law firms and other professional service firms in 260 and 270 Peachtree.”

Banta Immigration Law is Atlanta's largest law firm devoted exclusively to practicing U.S. immigration and nationality law. The firm represents a wide range of business and corporate clients, from multinational and Fortune 500 companies to start-up enterprises and entrepreneurs. Banta Immigration Law also offers assistance to its

clients in obtaining visas and work permits for personnel assigned to countries other than the United States.

The new lease is a coup for both 260 Peachtree and Downtown as Banta will vacate its Midtown location and take occupancy of its new Downtown space on May 1, 2009.

“We’re thrilled to welcome a leading boutique firm like Banta Immigration Law to 260 Peachtree,” said Greg Kindred, senior vice president, for Richard Bowers & Co. “Downtown’s continued renaissance, superior Interstate access, MARTA access, dining options, attractions and other amenities like valet parking for tenants at 260, are producing some ‘reverse migration’ away from Buckhead, Midtown and other submarkets.”

In March 2008, Bowers & Co. lured engineering firm Clough Harbour to 270 Peachtree from its previous Midtown offices at 1800 Peachtree St.

Downtown remains one of Atlanta’s hottest submarkets having led the Urban Corridor in absorption for 2008 by more than 350,000 s.f., second only to the I-285/GA 400 submarket in the entire metro Atlanta office market.

About Richard Bowers & Co.

Established in 1980, with corporate headquarters located in its flagship property of 260 Peachtree Street in Atlanta, Richard Bowers & Co. is the largest independently owned commercial real estate firm in Metro Atlanta.

A member of TCN Worldwide—a national affiliation of real estate firms—the company represents clients and owners in office, retail, and industrial sales and leasing, land and investment sales, financial services, development, relocation services, interior design and construction management and property management. Clients include numerous *FORTUNE 500* corporations, regional and national headquarters, professional firms and major institutions. In 2007, the company completed 323 property sales and leasing requirements totaling 2,673,134 million square feet of space.