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## Jon Copaken

Principal

A well-rounded leader and advisor, Jon Copaken is active in the entire development process, including major tenant office and retail leasing, financing, land acquisition, zoning, and construction. He is instrumental in the firm's leadership and strategic planning initiatives, and an expert in forming public and private partnerships.

Jon is currently responsible for two new development projects. Corrigan Station is a 140,000 square foot development involving the rehabilitation of a historic office building, creation of a new mixed-use building and 277 car parking garage. ARTerra is a 12- unit new high-rise multi-family project. Both projects are in the Crossroads area of downtown Kansas City. Additionally, Jon recently led the team on the redevelopment of the 55,000 square foot Kirkwood Building for Service Management Group, which was the first restoration project in Kansas City to achieve LEED Gold certification. He also led the development of the Plaza Colonnade, a 345,000 square foot project which includes an office tower, library facility, parking garage and retail building on the Country Club Plaza in Kansas City.

Jon is active in several civic and economic development organizations. He is primarily focused on the future of downtown Kansas City and issues affecting the urban core.

Prior to joining Copaken Brooks in 1993, Jon was an analyst in the real estate acquisitions department of Prudential Insurance Company in Chicago, and worked abroad on several real estate projects in Warsaw, Poland.

### **Civic and Professional Engagement**

- Art in the Loop Board of Directors
- Civic Council of Greater Kansas City
- Downtown Council of Kansas City, Past-Chair

- Economic Development Corporate Board of Directors (2004-2005)
- International Council of Shopping Centers
- Kansas City Chamber of Commerce (2004-2006)
- Kansas City Chamber Centurions Leadership Program
- Kansas City Municipal Arts Commission (1999-2008)
- Kansas City Municipal Parking Authority (1999-2007)
- Kansas City Streetcar Authority Board of Directors
- Legal Aid of Western Missouri Board of Directors

**Education**

- University of Pennsylvania, B.A. American History
- University of Michigan, M.B.A.