

NEW YORK – April 22, 2013 – TAP Advisors, (“TAP”), a New York-based investment banking boutique, today announced that Roland du Luart will join the firm as a Managing Director, effective today.

Founded in 2009, TAP Advisors provides its public and private company clients with a full range of merger and acquisition advisory services, private financing solutions, and cross-border and international expertise. Mr. du Luart joins TAP from UBS Investment Bank, where he most recently was Executive Director in the Real Estate, Lodging & Leisure Group focusing on strategic advisory and financing assignments for real estate and lodging companies.

“The US Commercial Real Estate industry is a \$1.2 trillion industry and we are delighted to have Mr. du Luart’s expertise and deal experience to lead, enhance and expand TAP’s Real Estate practice and provide our clients with innovative ideas” said Karim F. Tabet, Founding Partner at TAP Advisors. “We know Mr. du Luart from UBS Investment Bank and common client relationships in cross-over sectors between Real Estate and Telecom such as Data Centers and Wireless Towers.”

While at UBS Mr. du Luart worked on transactions totaling over \$20 billion that include the \$3.0 billion sale of SEGRO’s US life sciences real estate assets to Healthcare Property Investors, the \$2.3 billion acquisition of Storage USA by Extra Space Storage and Prudential Real Estate Investors, the \$343 million sale of StorageMart (a Warburg Pincus portfolio company) to an investor group, the \$293 million IPO of Colony Financial, the \$290 million IPO of Extra Space Storage and the \$210 million IPO of Excel Trust. Mr. du Luart has worked on debt and equity offerings for companies such as Biomed Realty Trust, BRE Properties, CIM Group, Colony Financial, Dupont Fabros, Essex Properties Trust, Excel Trust, Exclusive Resorts, Extra Space Storage, Home Properties, Las Vegas Sands, Public Storage, Realty Income, Sovran Self Storage, Thomas Properties Group, and Vornado Realty Trust. Prior to joining UBS in 2004, Mr. du Luart was a Senior Analyst at Lazard in their Mergers and Acquisitions Group in New York and subsequently in Paris.

“I am delighted to join TAP and its strong team of seasoned professional to provide client-focused and unbiased strategic advice,” said Mr. du Luart.

Mr. du Luart is fluent in French and has basic knowledge of Spanish. He received both his B.A. in Economics and his MBA with a concentration in Finance from the University of Chicago.