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DBJ unveils Best Real Estate Deal winners

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Real estate professionals who helped define the phrase “success in commercial real estate in 2008” were recognized Thursday evening at the *Dallas Business Journal's* 17th-annual Best Real Estate Deals of the Year awards program.

The awards recognized the professionals behind the biggest real estate transactions in 19 categories.

Contest entries had a combined transactional value of \$14.5 billion, represented 67.7 million square feet of space and were the work of 400 brokers and 350 bankers and attorneys.

The winners included:

Best Real Estate Deal of the Year [The Jerry Fults Memorial Award]

Winner: AT&T

Best Industrial Deal [Newly Developed Space]

Winner: Cinram International LLC; Finalist: Adesa Inc.; Finalist: SanMar Corp.

Best Industrial Deal [Existing Space]

Winner: Niagara Bottling LLC; ; Finalist: Dart Container; Finalist: Inland Cold Storage

Best Office Deal [Newly Developed Space] Winner: Deloitte LLP ; Finalist: Kosmos Enegy LLC; Lifesync; and Paton Boggs LLP

Best Office Deal [Existing Space]

Winner: Chesapeake Energy Corp. ; Finalist: Caris Diagnostics Inc.; Finalist: Tenet Healthcare

Best Headquarters or Corporate Campus Move

Winner: AT&T ; Finalist: U.S. Bowling Congress; Finalist: Horace Mann Insurance Co.

Best Retail Lease

Winner: Five Sixty by Wolfgang Puck ; Finalist: Nordstrom Rack; Finalist: Decorator's Warehouse

Best New Retail/Hospitality Project

Winner: The Village at Allen and Fairview ; Finalist: Alliance Town Center; Finalist: Irving Convention Center

Best New Mixed-Use Development

Winner: Midtown Park ; Finalist: Brick Row; Finalist: Watters Creek at Montgomery Farm

Best Rehabilitation or Re-Use

Winner: Reunion Tower-Union Station ; Finalist: Calavo Growers Inc.; Finalist: Tower Club

Best Commercial Property Sale

Winner: Galleria Towers ; Finalist: Chesapeake Energy Corp.; Finalist: Hilton Lincoln Centre

Best Land Deal

Winner: Phillips Creek Ranch ; Finalist: Deloitte LLP; Finalist: Great Trinity Forest

Best Real Estate Financing

Winner: Forum 303 Crossing ; Finalist: North Texas Enterprise Center for Medical Technology

Best Single-Family Residential

Winner: *Marshall Ridge* ; Finalist: Stone Creek; Finalist: Verandah

Best Multifamily Residential

Winner: *Alexan Communities* ; Finalist: Monterra Village; Finalist: Watermere at Southlake

Best Community Impact

Winner: *Daimler Financial Services* ; Finalist: Adesa Inc.; Finalist: I-30 Three Bridges

Best Medical Project

Winner: *Children's Medical Center Legacy* ; Finalist: Texas Health Arlington Memorial Hospital; Finalist: Atrium Medical Center of Corinth

Best Deal Announced (tie)

Winner: *George W. Bush Presidential Library*; **Winner:** Parkland Hospital ; Finalist: Harwood Design District

Best Green Project

Winner: *Trinity River Audubon Center* ; Finalist: Riverside Commons; Finalist: Cigna Pointe; Finalist: UT Arlington Engineering Research Complex

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