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Dr. Robert Penick has been appointed the Interim Director of the Institute for Economic Development and Real Estate Research. The Institute provides technical assistance to local business and community organizations and government agencies focused on economic development throughout Louisiana, produces an annual real estate market analysis for the New Orleans Metro and Northshore region and hosts the Dr. Ivan Miestchovich Economic Outlook and Forecast Seminars for New Orleans and the Northshore. He also serves as an Adjunct Professor of Finance, teaching undergraduate and graduate courses in real estate principles and real estate finance. He currently serves as Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer for the Latter & Blum Companies in New Orleans.

He holds a B.S. in Finance and an M.B.A. in business administration and management from Loyola University of New Orleans. He also holds a M.Ed. in supervision and administration from Our Lady of Holy Cross College of New Orleans. His University of New Orleans education includes a M.S. in Urban Studies and a Ph.D. in Urban Studies with a concentration in real estate and real estate ethics. Dr. Penick also holds an Insurance license in the State of Louisiana.

Dr. Penick authored his dissertation on *Real Estate Ethics in the State of Louisiana*. His writings were referenced in the Real Estate Journal in 2006. He also wrote a Thesis entitled *A Qualitative Study of Real Estate Ethics* while a student at the University of New Orleans. He is currently on the faculty of the NAR Realtor University which offers master's degrees in real estate to Realtors across the country. He teaches Personal Finance courses at St. Joseph Abbey and Seminary College in Covington, Louisiana and previously taught at Southeastern Louisiana University in Hammond, Louisiana. In 2011 he was named one of the top Money Makers by the City Business publication in New Orleans.

He is active in many civic, business, and professional organizations and serves on or has served on the boards of several of them. He currently serves on the International Alumni Association at the University of New Orleans and on the Board of the University of New Orleans Foundation. He also has served on the Board of a local school board as a member and President of that School Board. He is a veteran of the U.S. Army and the U.S. Army Reserves having served more than 30 years and retiring as a Lt. Colonel, Engineer Branch.

Dr. Penick is a native of Mobile, Alabama. He received his elementary education at St. Catherine of Sienna and is a graduate of St. Paul's High School in Covington, Louisiana. He is married to the former Connie Mattle of Mandeville who attended Loyola University of New Orleans. They have one daughter Stacey who attended Auburn University and Loyola University and is a nurse practitioner and one grand-daughter Amelia who is attending Archbishop Hannan High School in Covington, Louisiana.

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