

# Stro announces new hires to support growing industrial footprint

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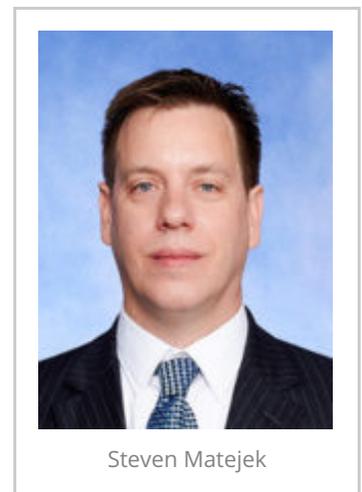
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The Stro Cos. has made three new hires to help support and expand its quickly growing portfolio.

In a news release Thursday, the Ridgewood-based firm announced the addition of Steven Matejek as its new senior controller, James Keenoy as director of capital markets and Rachel Dezio as executive assistant to the president.

“We are ecstatic to bring Steven, James and Rachel on board,” said Steven Millstein, president of The Stro Cos. “All three of our new hires will not only be instrumental in the growth and development of the company but will further establish Stro as a premier industrial buyer in the state of New Jersey.”

In his new role, Matejek will lead Stro’s financial and accounting functions and will be vital in implementing the company’s financial objectives to align with its scaling footprint, the news release said. He has served as vice president of finance and operations at Vizrt Inc., bringing more than 20 years of experience, and has worked heavily in the real estate and technology sectors.



Matejek, a CPA, has also spent significant time and held finance and tax compliance positions at The Trump Organization and The Grand Summit Hotel. He holds a bachelor's in accountancy from the W.P. Carey School of Business at Arizona State University.

"This is an exciting time for Stro, as we add to both our footprint and our personnel count," said Mitchel Kay, chief operating officer and general counsel at the company. "We believe we have assembled a team of all-stars and anticipate immediate results as we identify new opportunities for growth."

Keenoy will lead Stro's financing and refinancing efforts and will spearhead its investment practices, the news release said. He joins the team from Eyzenberg & Co. with deep expertise in financial data analysis, underwriting, debt packaging and business development.

Prior to Eyzenberg, Keenoy was the director of research services at Chandan Economics, where he collaborated with Sam Chandan, a professor at The Wharton School and associate dean of New York University's Schack Institute of Real Estate, in building the commercial mortgage database and analytical tool known as LoanComps.

Keenoy, who has also held positions at Cushman & Wakefield and REIS, holds a bachelor's in interdisciplinary business administration from The College of New Jersey.

For her part, Dezio will help manage, oversee and implement internal processes at Stro including certain accounting, mortgage, taxes and insurance functions, the news release said. Prior to joining the firm, she was an assistant vice president at Tradeweb Markets, having previously spent more than a decade as the executive assistant to the managing director and global head of enterprise legal and the managing director and CFO at Morgan Stanley.

Dezio holds a bachelor's in business administration and marketing from Monmouth University.



James Keenoy



Rachel Dezio