Happy New Year! If you're reading about BOMA for the first time, you may be wondering who we are. The Southern Connecticut Chapter of the Building Owners and Managers Association (BOMA SoCT) represents commercial property owners and developers, commercial real estate professionals, and associate members through leadership, advocacy, research, outreach, and education. BOMA SoCT serves the commercial real estate industry from New Haven to the New York/Connecticut line. We are comprised of not only real estate property owners and managers but also of companies that provide so many services to the properties day in and day out. See more about us at www.soctboma.org and all members or non-member owners/managers can connect with us on Linked-in www.linkedin.com/groups/8177399.

BOMA International is a federation of 93 BOMA U.S. associations, BOMA Canada and its 11 regional associations, and 13 BOMA international affiliates. Together, the 117 organizations form a worldwide, professional community dedicated to providing knowledge and solutions to commercial real estate practitioners. For more info go to www.boma.org.

A must attend BOMA SoCT meeting is our State of the Market luncheon to be held on Thursday, January 21st, at the Stamford Marriott. This annual kick off meeting is a panel consisting of well-known real estate professionals who discuss and debate on where the market is, how it got there, and what to possibly expect in the coming year. This informative event is typically interactive with attendee questions and comments. For future BOMA SoCT events, membership, and other information, you can refer to our website at www.soctboma.org/events.

If you are someone starting out or considering a career in property management or related industry, please contact us for information on BOMA SoCT. We are always looking to expand our organization and have a diverse, well experienced membership including property and facility managers, developers, owners, brokers, professional consultants, and service providers. Our committees create informative, networking, and social events throughout the year and we'd enjoy seeing you there.

I would like to thank the BOMA SoCT Board that served with me in the past two years as they helped in so many ways to keep our organization as fine-tuned as possible.

I would also like to introduce those on the incoming Board for 2016:

For President: Rona Siegel, Collins Enterprises

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