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Mortgage Bankers Association Quotes Richard Bezold on Real Estate Capital Trends

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Findings from the 2015 <u>Akerman U.S. Real Estate</u> <u>Industry Outlook Survey</u> were featured in a report by *MBA NewsLink*, the daily new source by the Mortgage Bankers Association. The article, "Akerman: 'Confident' Capital Chasing U.S. CRE," included insights from Real Estate Practice Group Chair <u>Richard Bezold</u> and real estate partner Andrew Berman who provided an elevated view of the market. They emphasized how robust investor appetite and widespread institutional equity are driving deal activity.

MBA NewsLink wrote, "'As 2015 unfolds, the industry is seeing record institutional equity and global equity competing for core real estate assets,' said Richard Bezold, chair of Akerman's Real Estate Practice Group. He cautioned that the industry will increasingly need to focus on 'maintaining rationality' as investor appetite grows and deals become more aggressive."

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