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National Mortgage News Cites Akerman Survey on Foreign Investment Trends

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Real Estate Practice Group Chair <u>Richard Bezold</u> was featured in the *National Mortgage News* article titled, "Optimism Grows as Foreign Investment in U.S. Real Estate Surges." The article centered on the 2015 Akerman U.S. Real Estate Industry Outlook Survey, which indicated that 60 percent of executives are more optimistic about the real estate market, as it continues to attract the interest of foreign investors. Executive views and national trends indicate record levels of global equity surging through America's real estate markets and signal that the industry is better capitalized for potential downturns. Bezold was quoted about growing investor appetite and discipline.

"As 2015 unfolds, the industry is seeing an all-time record of institutional equity and global equity competing for core real estate assets," Bezold told the publication. "As investor appetite grows and deals become more aggressive, the industry will increasingly need to focus on maintaining rationality."

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