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# TENTH ANNUAL COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE LEADERSHIP BREAKFAST

The Vieth Institute for Real Estate Leadership is delighted to welcome **Mr. Peter Borzak**, CEO of Pine Tree Commercial, to keynote the tenth annual Chicago Real Estate Leadership Breakfast.

## ***NAVIGATING TODAY'S REAL ESTATE HEADWINDS WITH HEART***

Spanning a more than 30 year career in real estate, Peter has done it all, building a thriving company from scratch and expertly navigating countless challenges, recessions, acquisitions, and relationships. He's known as *"the nicest guy in real estate in Chicago,"* and he's been a life-changing mentor to countless young leaders in the industry. His wisdom, and his servant leadership mindset, during unprecedented times like today is needed more than ever. Come hear his strategy for navigating today's challenges, how he makes big bets, how his people are the difference, and the stories of the challenges he's faced that laid the foundation for his biggest successes – and what others can learn from his choices.



### **Peter Borzak**

Chief Executive Officer  
***Pine Tree Commercial***

*Pine Tree Commercial is one of the nation's most influential retail real estate firms. As owner and manager of over 20 million square feet of necessity-based open-air shopping centers spanning coast to coast, offices in Chicago, Atlanta, and Los Angeles, and a portfolio valued at more than \$3 billion, Pine Tree stands as a driving force behind major retail destinations nationwide, partnering with top institutional investors and shaping the future of American shopping environments.*

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**Andrew D. Hunt**  
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