

## **Handler Arranges Lewis Baach Expansion, Renewal In Chrysler Building**

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*-- Prominent international law firm expands Midtown practice with additional full-floor space in iconic Manhattan skyscraper --*

**Lewis Baach PLLC**, a premier international law firm, is renewing and expanding the size of its first New York City office in the iconic Chrysler Building, located at 405 Lexington Avenue. The firm operates in New York as Lewis Baach Kaufmann Middlemiss pllc.

Handler Real Estate Organization represented Lewis Baach PLLC in the transaction. Tishman Speyer, the landlord, was represented in-house.

In the new transaction, Lewis Baach signed a renewal for its existing space — the entire 7,348-square-foot 62nd floor — while also taking the entire 7,348-square 64th floor as expansion space, for a total of 14,696 square feet in the building.

Based in Washington, DC, and New York and with additional offices in London and Buenos Aires, Lewis Baach serves leading corporations, insurers, financial institutions, family conglomerates, and public officials on legal issues in regards to internal investigations, financial crimes compliance, white collar representation, international financial disputes, global commercial litigation, and insurance and reinsurance litigation.

The tenant will occupy its expansion space in the fourth quarter of 2016.

“Lewis Baach appreciates the iconic nature of the Chrysler Building and the property’s first-class management,” said Handler Principal and CEO Scott Galin, who along with Darell Handler represented the tenant in the transaction. “The law firm is in expansion mode, and wanted to take larger space in one of the most recognizable office properties in the world, while continuing its relationship with Tishman Speyer, one of New York’s most well-regarded owners.”

The Chrysler Building is a 1.2 million-square-foot art deco masterpiece and part of the two-building Chrysler Center complex on 42nd Street between Lexington and Third Avenues. The landmarked, LEED-Gold® certified office tower offers expansive base floors, various-sized tower floors, and unparalleled 360-degree views of Manhattan and the outlying area, overlooking the East River, Central Park, Times Square and Grand Central Terminal.

Tishman Speyer represented itself in the transaction.

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