PAPERS Online Program Event

PAPERS is pleased to announce an educational offering of the PAPERS Online Program. We hope you'll consider participating in this free educational online presentation Wednesday, <u>October 23</u>, <u>2013</u>.

Optimizing Risk and Return in Pension Fund Real Estate Investment

Speakers-

Meredith Despins, Vice President, Investment Affairs & Investor Education, National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts(NAREIT)

BradCase, Senior Vice President, Research & Industry Information, National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts (NAREIT)

The National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts[®] (NAREIT) is the worldwide representative voice for REITs and publicly traded real estate companies with an interest in U.S. real estate and capital markets. NAREIT's members are REITs and other businesses throughout the world that own, operate, and finance incomeproducing real estate, as well as those firms and individuals who advise, study, and service those businesses.

Wednesday, October 23rd – 10:30 a.m.

Meredith Despins is a Vice President of the Investment Affairs and Investor Education with NAREIT. She is responsible for leading NAREIT's educational efforts for institutional investors globally, focusing on pension and retirement plans and the consultants and advisors who support them. Ms. Despins is a frequent speaker at investment conference and industry events on topics tailored to meet the needs of institutional real estate investors. Highlighting findings from NAREIT's internal and sponsored research Ms. Despins delivers a perspective on the role REITs and listed real estate can play in institutional investment portfolios to build portfolio value, deliver income, and manage risk within the real estate investment program.

Brad Case is NAREIT's senior vice president, research & industry information. Dr. Case has researched residential and commercial real estate markets domestically and globally, for more than 25 years. He is responsible for conducting original research on real estate investing through REITs in institutional and individual investment portfolios. He also assists in managing NAREIT's sponsored research agenda and monitors and facilitates REIT-Related research by independent academics. Dr. Case earned his Ph.D. in Economics at Yale University, where he worked with Robert Shiller and William Goetzmann, and also holds the Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) and Certified Alternative Investment Analyst (CAIA) designations.

While the PAPERS Online Program is designed to accumulate credits for those participating in the PPCP program; the online sessions is available for the *entire* PAPERS membership. The membership is encouraged to attend this free educational offering whether you're currently enrolled in the PPCP program or not.

The purpose of the PAPERS Online program is two-fold. First, the online program is designed to be a convenient way for the PAPERS membership to continue its educational experience. From the comfort of your desk, participants will be able to keep up to date with industry trends, news, and valuable information.

Secondly, the online program is designed to supplement PPCP participants' efforts in acquiring course credits towards their certification. Certification must be completed in a three year timeframe and the online program offers participants an opportunity to make up credits from missed conferences or just to further their progress towards certification.

For more information about the PAPERS PPCP Program or to register please visit www.pa-pers.org.

The online sessions are **free** for PPCP participants as well as the general PAPERS membership.

To register for the October 23rd online session please email Krista Rogers at krista-rogers @comcast.net