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## **Austin Dempsey of Batavia Enterprises Named 2010's Real Estate Professional of the Year**

Austin Dempsey, Vice President of Batavia Enterprises, Inc., has been named 2010's "Real Estate Professional of the Year" by the Presidential Who's Who organization for having "superior industry performance among business and professional achievers."

2009 was a busy year for Mr. Dempsey. Batavia Enterprises, a family owned property management and development firm his grandfather Lawrence Dempsey started, celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary, shortly after that Mr. Dempsey celebrated the success of Water Street Studios where he personally lead the renovation process, and then received the Batavia Chamber of Commerce's prestigious Ole Award for his outstanding efforts in preserving the historical building while creating an intimate new home for the Batavia Artist Association.

Mr. Dempsey was previously employed by Centro Watt (formerly known as Heritage Property Investment Trust) in Northbrook, Illinois as a Leasing Manager. He was responsible for the real estate interests of Centro Watt in Michigan and the Chicago metropolitan area. Prior to joining Centro Watt, Mr. Dempsey was the Leasing Coordinator for Duke Realty Corporation in Indianapolis, Indiana. Mr. Dempsey's affiliations within the commercial real estate industry include the International Council of Shopping Centers and several local commercial real estate business groups.

Mr. Dempsey is a 1997 graduate of Marmion Military Academy in Aurora. He is a 2001 graduate of Butler University in Indianapolis, Indiana obtaining a Bachelor of Science degree with emphasis in Marketing. During his time at Butler University he founded a chapter of Delta Tau Delta where he served as President. Mr. Dempsey was a member of the Beta Gamma Sigma honors business fraternity of Butler University and is currently a member of the Chicago chapter. He obtained his Masters of Business Administration degree with a concentration in Management and Finance from Loyola University – Chicago.

Batavia Enterprises is proud of the outstanding efforts and work ethic that Austin Dempsey contributes to the firm each and every day and they look forward to his prosperous future. To learn more about what Batavia Enterprises, Inc. has to offer, please visit us at [www.bataviaenterprises.com](http://www.bataviaenterprises.com) or call Julie Kotalik at 630-879-3680.