



Kurt R. Gies, CCIM

He attended the <u>University of Florida</u> (Gainesville) where he earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Mechanical Engineering in 1987. Upon graduation, he was commissioned as a United States Naval Officer. In 1994, he received his Master of Engineering degree in Environmental Engineering and Sciences from <u>University of Florida</u>. In September 2001, Mr. Gies was recalled to military service, where he spent 2 years fighting the War on Terrorism in Afghanistan and Iraq as part of United States Central command. Upon returning to his home, Mr. Gies obtained his State of Florida Real Estate Sales Associates License joining Smith Equities Corporation where he sells multi-family commercial real estate. In October 2006, Mr. Gies earned his Certified Commercial Investment Member (CCIM) designation.

Other Professional Experience:

Mr. Gies has served in a variety of construction, engineering and property asset management roles. He started his professional career at the Naval Training Center in Orlando, FL where he served as the Public Works Departments Chief Engineer. From there, he moved to New York City and was responsible for over \$30 million in military construction projects ranging Communications centers to a small shopping mall to the main site and utilities contracts. From New York City, Mr. Gies was sent to graduate school to earn his Master of Engineering in Environmental Engineering and Sciences. Upon graduation, he moved to Pensacola, FL where was responsible for management of the Naval Hospital's physical plant. After leaving the Active Duty Navy in October 1998, Mr. Gies joined Law Engineering and Environmental Associates where he was ultimately responsible for an office of over 40 engineers and technicians. Immediately after September 11th, 2001, Mr. Gies was involuntarily recalled to active duty by the President of the United States where he served on the staff of General Tommy Franks' United States Central Command. In October 2002, he was deployed as the CENTCOM Officerin-Charge for the deployment and construction of the \$160 million Contingency Headquarters to Camp al Sayleyah, Qatar in preparation for Operation Iraqi Freedom. As a result, CDR Gies was decorated with 6 military medals for his leadership and Meritorious Service.

Along with being a CCIM Designee, Mr. Gies is also a registered Professional Engineer in the State of Florida. Since joining SEC in August 2004, Kurt has produced over \$300,000,000 in combined multi-family listings and closings.

Personal:

Mr. Gies is divorced and has a 15-year old son and a 13-year old daughter. Although he never seems to find enough time, he enjoys coaching youth sports, playing golf, attending college athletic events, and working out. He is also active in the Downtown Orlando Rotary Club, Apartment Association of Greater Orlando, and the Downtown Orlando Partnership.