



Robert (Rob) Axelson CRE



Career Synopsis

Mr. Axelson has received national and international recognition during his forty years of active consulting and development assignments. His career has encompassed diverse commercial real estate asset classes where he has; consulted and provided fee-based services for development, acquisition, disposition, property management, and asset management services for institutional grade investment properties. Mr. Axelson has developed/consulted on portfolios of properties with a combined value more than \$1,500,000,000 including projects built on long-term lease parcels and air rights parcels.

Mr. Axelson's joined Houston's M.D. Anderson Hospital Purchasing Department in 1974. His interests in medical real estate began when he was promoted to Assistant to the VP of Business Affairs and project team member for the new Clark Clinic Building and the Lutheran Pavilion Hospital construction projects.

He joined Houstonian Development in 1979, as Project Manager for The Houstonian Conference Center and Hotel and later the Houstonian Estates Condominium development project.

Then Mr. Axelson joined the Russo Companies in 1982 as Senior Vice President, where he was responsible for acquisition and development of investment grade hospitality and multifamily properties in Texas.

Mr. Axelson joined K.G. Land Company, Manhattan in 1989, as a consultant, responsible for luxury & upscale hotel property development, acquisitions and dispositions totaling over \$1.1 billion in value. He directed all asset management functions of a multi-billion-dollar global portfolio of luxury, upscale and resort hotel properties.

In 1997, Axelson established Isis Commercial Investments, L.P. (ICI, LP) now AXE Interests, with partner, Robert H. Schultz, to provide real estate development, management and consulting services, for large-scale real estate projects and conducts value-oriented acquisitions and builds mixed use real estate development projects in Texas. In 2018 Mr. Axelson was elected into the Counselors of Real Estate

ACADEMIC:

New York University Real Estate Institute, Graduate Studies Guest Lecturer - 1993

Rice University, helped develop curriculum for Studio 601, combining Masters Level Architecture studio with MBA studies. 2005 - 2014

Urban Land Institute, Convention Hotel Taskforce study, Oceanside, CA.

CURRENT CIVIC:

The Upper Kirby Municipal Management District, President

The Kirby Coalition, Founding Board Member

The Upper Kirby Foundation, Vice Chairman

The Men's Center – Houston 2015 – Board of Directors

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

AXE Interests, (formerly I.C.I.) Chairman Founded 1997– Present

K.G. Land Company, Fee Consultant, 1989 – 1996

Russo Companies, Senior Vice President 1982– 1989

The Houstonian – Staff Developer 1979-1983

M.D. Anderson Hospital – Staff 1974-1979

SELECT ACCOMPLISHMENTS & CURRENT PROJECTS:

Selected Hotel & Resort/Condominiums

Loews Del Coronado Luxury Resort, San Diego, CA – Pre-Development Consultant
The Crowne Plaza, Times Square, NY- development consultant
The Emerald, Galveston, TX – Consulting Project Manager
The InterContinental Hotel, Houston, TX – predevelopment Consultant
The Houstonian Conference Center, Houston, TX – Corp. Staff VP
Marriott at the Capitol, Austin, TX – staff developer
The Staybridge Suites Hotel – Galleria, Houston, TX – Fee developer
The Hyatt Regency San Francisco Airport, San Francisco, CA- Consultant
Westin Indianapolis Convention Hotel, Indianapolis, IN – Consulting Project Manager
El Conquistador Hotel and Country Club, Las Croabas, Puerto Rico-pre-development Consultant
Çiregan Palace Hotel, Istanbul, Turkey- pre-development consultant

Retail/Mixed-Use

Spring Pines KROGER / retail – Spring, Texas – Partner, Fee Consultant
Mid Main Mixed-use Development, Houston, TX-Partner, Fee Consultant
Oasis, TX Mixed-use Development, Austin, TX – Partner, Developer
3622 Main, Houston, TX (predevelopment) Partner, Fee Consultant
3700 Main, Houston, TX (predevelopment)Partner, Fee Consultant

Parking Garages – Office Buildings

4223 Richmond – Office Building – Houston – Partner, Developer
Oasis Office Tower – Austin – Partner, Developer
Mid Main Garage – 750 cars – Partner, Fee Project Consultant
The Capitol Commons Garage, Indianapolis, In. – 1,000 cars – Project Management Consultant.
Oasis, TX Public Parking – 350 cars garage, 700 surface- Partner, Fee Consultant

Restaurants

Soleil Bar & Grill, Austin, TX – fee consultant
The Oasis Restaurant, Austin, TX – fee developer
Uncle Billy's Brew & Que Restaurant, Austin, TX-fee developer

Katsuya Houston, Houston, TX – fee consultant
Ava Kitchen & Whiskey Bar, Houston, TX-fee consultant
Alto Pizzeria, Houston, TX- fee consultant
Red Dog Ice House, Kenedy, Carrizo Springs, TX Partner, Developer

Specialty Consulting

Complete Women's Care-Houston-(predevelopment consultant
Oasis Texas Brewing Company – Austin, Consultant
Jewish Family Services expansion – Houston-consulting project manager