

Profile: Matthew A. Laraway

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How did you end up in commercial real estate?

I grew up in a family of architects and engineers and have always appreciated how tangible real estate assets were. I couldn't draw and was bad at science so started my career in research. I learned that I talk too much and found my passion on the transaction side of the business.

What is the most important part of being successful in your field?

Living by faith, acting in our daily business with integrity and focusing on creating lasting personal relationships. We want to continue to build an organization that all of us at Chesapeake are proud of and leaves a lasting legacy.

Biggest transaction in the past year?

In April we settled on the acquisition of the former Sun Products facility at the Port of Baltimore in a joint venture partnership with USAA Real Estate Company. This is a 47-acre site where we plan to renovate and put an existing 500,000 SF warehouse back into service and build up to an additional 550,000 to 600,000 square feet of Class A distribution space.

Favorite restaurant:

The Food Market in Hampden. It is a great dining environment in one of Baltimore's coolest neighborhoods with great service and great food.

Recommend a vacation spot:

The Tryall Club in Jamaica. This is still an all-time favorite! Perfect for a large family or large group of good friends. You bring your party with you and the staff and locals treat you really well on a beautiful island. Beautiful homes, amazing food, gorgeous beaches, great golf and time with friends and family.



Matthew Laraway (submitted photo)