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## RFR Announces Six New Leases Comprising 28,000 SF at 17 State Street in Downtown Manhattan

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### High-Profile Tenants Secure Space at the Iconic Office Tower in Downtown Manhattan

**NEW YORK, NY** – **March 29, 2021** – RFR today announced six new leases at 17 State Street, a 42-story, 571,000-square-foot trophy office tower in Lower Manhattan. Ranging from financial services to healthcare technology and accounting firms, the six firms will account for a total of 28,111 square feet of new office leases at 17 State Street. ABR Dynamic Funds, SHS Asset Management L.P., Samson II Corp, Edward Roberts LLC, Protax Services Corp and Robert Wisniewski P.C. will join the diverse tenant roster at the iconic office tower. RFR was represented in-house by AJ Camhi and Ryan Silverman in each of the transactions.

"The building's downtown location across the street from Battery park with 25 acres of open green space and waterfront, its sweeping water views of the New York Harbor and Statue of Liberty and convenient access to transportation continues to attract strong tenants," said AJ Camhi of RFR. "The building offers stunning office space. A flight to quality is underway as we see an upward trajectory of firms bringing employees back to work."

ABR Dynamic Funds secured 5,000 square feet of space at 17 State Street. Founded in 2015, ABR is a global quantitative investment management firm relocating from 48 Wall Street. Andrew Coe of JLL represented the tenant.

"As ABR Dynamic Funds continues to grow exponentially, it was important that we find a Class A building in a highly desirable location with enough space to meet our future growth goals," said Taylor Lukof, founder and CEO of ABR Dynamic Funds. "RFR has provided us with a great space to expand our company, but beyond that, we also wanted to bet on New York City and its diverse pool of talent while having an influential role in the post-pandemic comeback."

Samson II Corp, founded by Steven Markowitz, provides working capital to mid-sized companies and leased 6,181 square feet of space, relocating from 90 John Street. Andrew Roth of Somerset Real Estate represented the tenant.

Additional leases include asset management firm, SHS Asset Management L.P., which signed a 5,138-squarefoot lease and healthcare-focused import and export company Edward Roberts LLC, which took 5,548 square feet of space at 17 State (Richard J. Bailey of Kassin Sabbagh Realty represented the tenant). Protax Services Corp, and independent attorney Robert Wisniewski P.C. also secured space at 17 State Street, moving from 101 Greenwich Street and 40 Wall Street, respectively.

Located at the corner of State and Pearl streets, 17 State Street is easily accessible from the 1, 4, 5, N and R trains; multiple ferries to Brooklyn, Queens and New Jersey, the Staten Island Ferry; and the downtown heliports. The property's iconic architecture and distinctive curvilinear 14,900-square-foot floor plates offer permanently protected views from the second to the 42<sup>nd</sup> floors. Since acquiring the property in 1999 RFR has executed a capital improvement program consisting of elevator modernization and aesthetic improvements to the corridors, lobby, plaza and common areas, and has created a high-end, pre-built program.

#### About RFR

RFR is a fully integrated real estate investment firm based in New York City with a core focus on select urban markets in the United States and Germany. Founded by Aby Rosen and Michael Fuchs in the early 1990's, the firm has been an active force in the New York City and German real estate market for much of the past three decades. RFR's portfolio has grown to include more than 100 commercial, residential, hotel, and retail properties located in select domestic and international markets.