



**TIMBERS RESORTS ANNOUNCES DAVID BLAND AS NEW DIRECTOR OF REAL ESTATE SALES FOR RESIDENCES AT THE SEBASTIAN - VAIL AND TIMBERS BACHELOR GULCH**

*Boutique Developer and Operator Enlists Bland to Lead Sales Strategy and Promote Real Estate Initiatives at Two of its Premier Properties*

**CARBONDALE, COLO.** (August 23, 2016) – [Timbers Resorts](#), one of the largest independent developers and operators of private boutique resorts and residence clubs, has appointed David Bland as the Director of Real Estate for The Residences at The Sebastian - Vail and Timbers Bachelor Gulch, overseeing all real estate sales and strategy within two of Timbers’ award-winning luxury boutique residences. An industry innovator and veteran with more than 30 years of professional experience in luxury real estate and hospitality, Bland will build on the success of Timbers’ residential sales teams.

“We are excited to welcome David to the Timbers Resorts real estate sales team and to tap into his expertise and the depth of knowledge he’s gained through working with premier resort destinations around the world,” said David A. Burden, Timbers Resorts Founder & Executive Chairman. “David’s creative vision and strategic approach will be a significant asset to the stellar sales teams at Residences at The Sebastian - Vail and Timbers Bachelor Gulch, and we look forward to David taking these two properties to the next level.”

Before joining Timbers Resorts, Bland founded and served as Principal of a consulting service focusing on new capital placements, business development and sales for luxury private residences, asset management, hospitality acquisitions and restructuring projects. Bland has also served as Senior Director of the Hospitality and Leisure REAS Group at Alvarez & Marsal where he led a \$4 billion hospitality portfolio valuation and the successful execution of multiple mergers and acquisitions for major U.S. resorts and mixed-use developments; Managing Director of New Projects at Destination Hotel & Resorts, where he was responsible for value creation from development through stabilization of many high-profile projects including Terranea Resort, Suncadia Resort and Stowe Mountain Lodge; Director of Sales at Playground Destination Properties as well as Director of Hotel Investment for MONY Life Insurance Company.

“I am thrilled to work alongside the phenomenal professionals at The Sebastian - Vail and Timbers Bachelor Gulch and to draw on my experience as a value creator to provide innovative and thoughtful experiences for current and potential owners,” said Bland. “I’ve kept a close eye on Timbers Resorts throughout my career, and have been continuously impressed by their success in the highly competitive real estate and resort industry, along with their ability to execute on super prime properties and initiatives. I look forward to contributing to the success of these two incredible locations, and playing a role in the continued growth of this organization.”

Bland is joining Timbers Resorts during an exciting time for the company, as The Sebastian - Vail was recently ranked among the very best in the world in the 20th annual Travel + Leisure World’s Best Awards. The Sebastian was recognized as the No. 12 Best Resort in the U.S. and the No. 52 Hotel in the World by the magazine’s discerning readers. Bland is also joining the team on the heels of a significant \$8 million refresh of Timbers Bachelor Gulch after the 2015 acquisition of the iconic slope side Beaver

Creek residence club. In his new role as the Director of Real Estate, the 2016 winter ski season is expected to deliver the first-class personal service, design and benefits owners have come to expect.

**About Timbers Resorts:**

Timbers Resorts is the developer and operator of a collection of properties in over 15 of the world's most diverse high-end destinations. A portfolio known as the Timbers Collection, destinations include boutique, private resorts, hotels and residence clubs in ski, golf, leisure and beach locations. Since 1999, Timbers Resorts has been committed to being authentic, unique and respectful of the destination, focusing on family and experiences, and never compromising with regard to quality and service. Owners at properties in the Timbers Collection are granted an ownership experience with expanded benefits through a host of travel and lifestyle partners such as Sentient Jet, Hertz, MedJet Assist and more, as well as access to the Timbers Reciprocity Program and the ability to trade vacation time with other destinations in the portfolio. Current Timbers Collection properties can be found in Napa, Tuscany, Aspen, Steamboat, Vail, Cabo San Lucas, Kaua'i, Sonoma, Scottsdale, among other locations. For more info, please visit [www.timbersresorts.com](http://www.timbersresorts.com), [www.facebook.com/timbersresorts](https://www.facebook.com/timbersresorts), [www.twitter.com/timbersresorts](https://www.twitter.com/timbersresorts) and [www.pinterest.com/timbersresorts](https://www.pinterest.com/timbersresorts).

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