



LARKEN ASSOCIATES EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT MELISSA NASCIMENTO – A TOP LEADER IN THE REAL ESTATE SECTOR – NAMED TO COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION OF NEW JERSEY’S ENTERPRISING WOMEN IN COMMERCE LIST FOR SECOND TIME

GLEN RIDGE, NJ, August 19, 2025 — Larken Associates, a regional leader in real estate building, development and management, is proud to announce that Melissa Nascimento , Executive Vice President of Marketing, was honored at the Commerce and Industry Association of New Jersey’s (CIANJ) 2025 Enterprising Women in Commerce awards ceremony held on August 13 at Glen Ridge Country Club in Glen Ridge, New Jersey. This marks the second time in the past four years that Nascimento has earned the recognition.

Each year, the Enterprising Women in Commerce Awards recognize women from New Jersey’s business community who are leaving their mark in their chosen field while inspiring and encouraging others.

Nascimento has led Larken Associates’ marketing strategy and operations for over two decades. She was recognized by CIANJ for her success building the firm’s brand identity and driving leasing across its approximately four-million-square-foot commercial real estate portfolio, and Larken Living residential portfolio, which has grown by 40% and more than 1,100 units over the past five years.

“I am proud to be named to CIANJ’s Enterprising Women in Commerce list for the second time and be honored alongside such an accomplished group of professionals,” said Nascimento. “We have an incredible marketing team at Larken Associates and I’d like to thank them for all they do to drive leasing and retention across our residential and commercial portfolios.”

David Gardner, President and CEO of Larken Associates, added, “Melissa’s work over the past two decades has been critical to our success and the growth of our Larken Living residential portfolio in particular. She is undoubtedly one of the best and brightest marketing professionals in the real estate industry, and we are proud to see her recognized by one of the state’s top business organizations.”

About Larken Associates

Larken Associates is a regional leader in real estate building, development and management. Leveraging 60 years of experience, they are dedicated to bringing great spaces to live and work to life through a long-term ownership strategy and full suite of in-house capabilities. With a diverse commercial portfolio consisting of nearly four million square feet and 1,000 tenants across office, industrial, retail and mixed-use and approximately 3,000 owned and managed residential units across 20 unique communities with another 1,500 in the development pipeline, Larken Associates is deeply committed to the communities in which they work as well as the tenants and residents who call their buildings home. To learn more about Larken Associates, please visit us at <https://www.LarkenAssociates.com> and follow us on LinkedIn, Facebook, X and Instagram.