

## Walker & Dunlop Hires Group Head of Healthcare Finance

**Bethesda, Maryland – February 18, 2009** – Walker & Dunlop a real estate finance company and one of the largest multifamily lenders in the United States announced today that Doug Bath has joined the company as Group Head of their healthcare unit, Healthcare Finance. Mr. Bath will originate senior and mezzanine debt financings for independent living, assisted living, Alzheimer, nursing homes and hospital sectors nationally for Walker & Dunlop utilizing Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac and HUD financing. The long term plan is for Mr. Bath to build Walker & Dunlop's Healthcare Finance into a customer-friendly provider of all forms of capital to the healthcare industry.

Howard Smith, executive vice president and chief operating officer of Walker & Dunlop, commented, "Doug brings to Walker & Dunlop a wealth of knowledge and contacts in the healthcare world. His institutional experience gives him a deep understanding of independent living, assisted living and Alzheimer care and his relationships in the senior world make him have an immediate impact on our desire to grow the platform."

Doug has over 14 years of experience in the senior housing field. Prior to joining Walker & Dunlop, Doug was a senior vice president at Sunrise Senior Living, Inc. overseeing both the asset management function of its 448 facilities as well as Sunrise's joint venture equity transactions. Prior to his tenure at Sunrise, Doug was with JP Morgan and played a key role in raising and investing a \$700+ million equity fund. Doug completed his undergraduate studies at Virginia Tech and received his MBA from the University of Pittsburgh.

Mr. Bath can be reached at 301/215-5501 or [dbath@walkerdunlop.com](mailto:dbath@walkerdunlop.com).

### About Walker & Dunlop

Walker & Dunlop, established in 1937, is a real estate finance company and one of the largest multifamily lenders in the United States. The Capital Markets and Principal Investments groups of Walker & Dunlop provide a broad range of advisory, financing, and investment services to clients across the Mid-Atlantic region. The company's professionals work with owners of commercial real estate (office, retail, hospitality, multifamily, and industrial) to structure the most appropriate financing solutions for their property. The Multifamily and FHA Finance groups of Walker & Dunlop are focused on lending to property owners, investors, and developers of multifamily properties across the country. As a Fannie Mae DUS™, Freddie Mac Program Plus® and HUD MAP certified lender, Walker & Dunlop lends on most major multifamily Asset classes including market-rate apartments, affordable apartments, manufactured housing developments, seniors housing, and student housing. In 2008, Walker & Dunlop originated more than \$2.8 billion in commercial real estate financing. The company services over \$12 billion of commercial mortgage and asset manages over 1,300 properties across the country. Additional information on Walker & Dunlop can be found at [www.walkerdunlop.com](http://www.walkerdunlop.com).

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