

PREMIER REPORTS RECORD GROWTH IN THE SECOND QUARTER OF 2023

The Growing Firm Continues to Expand its Third-Party Business in the Hospitality, Multifamily Sectors



DALLAS, TX, UNITED STATES, August 17, 2023 /EINPresswire.com/ -- <u>Premier</u>, an

end-to-end architecture, design, procurement, project management and development firm, is pleased to announce record growth in the second quarter of 2023. The firm's parent company Ashford Inc. released its second quarter results, highlighting Premier's success in winning new third-party business. Premier has signed 76 third-party engagements that total approximately \$20 million in fees, which reflects its focused efforts to expand its client base. The firm has generated \$14.5 million in revenue during the first 6 months of 2023.

"Our focus on cultivating industry relationships and establishing Premier as a trusted partner for developers and owners has resulted in exceptional growth that will allow us to continue securing similar opportunities going forward," said Hector Sanchez, Chief Executive Officer of Premier. "I'm proud of the effort our teams have made in pursuit of new projects and developments and our dedication to providing great service and results that encourage those partners to return."

"During the second quarter, Premier experienced remarkable growth in new-build, renovation and redevelopment projects," said Franklin Piñerúa, Chief Commercial Officer of Premier. "Our strong technical background, capacity of execution, and the commitment to our clients, have been instrumental factors to our growth. Thanks to that, our company has been able to establish and maintain relationships with owners, developers, and investors. Our team has gained industry recognition for creating distinctive and unique spaces that elevate the experience for our clients and that is ultimately our goal."

Premier has also seen similar success in the multifamily sector, signing 32 contracts since the initiative was launched in 2020. The firm is on track to experience record growth in this segment through the rest of the year. This growth is a positive indicator of the firm's ability to attract clients and manage projects successfully.

Premier is responsible for managing and implementing substantially all capital improvements at

Ashford Hospitality Trust, Inc. and Braemar Hotels & Resorts Inc. and has extensive experience working with major hotel brands in renovating, converting, developing, and repositioning hotels. The firm will continue to leverage their relationships within the hospitality industry to secure new projects that utilize their unique structure of providing a comprehensive suite of services that ensure quality results.

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