



John Gavin

Principal, Sterling Bay

John Gavin serves as a Principal of Sterling Bay, a commercial real estate investment and development firm established in 1986. Today, Sterling Bay is a 150-person firm focusing on the adaptive reuse of downtown loft office buildings, ground-up office and retail developments, and urban campus build-to-suit projects. Examples of Sterling Bay's most prominent projects include the renovation of a former cold storage building into 1KFulton, a 550,000 square foot state-of-the-art office and retail building, now home to the Midwest headquarters of Google, Inc. Sterling Bay also renovated 111 North Canal, an 860,000 square foot multi-tenant loft office building in the West Loop and quickly signed a tech-based tenant roster including Gogo, Twitter, SAP and Uber. The firm is constructing a 595,000 square foot office building on the former West Loop site of Harpo Studios where McDonald's will occupy 378,000 square feet in 2018. Sterling Bay is also constructing Fulton West, a 290,000 square foot West Loop creative office building and 1515 W Webster in Lincoln Park along the Chicago River, which will be the new 207,000 square foot headquarters of international logistics provider C.H. Robinson.

John joined Sterling Bay in 2011 and focuses on sourcing investment opportunities. He also leads capital organization for institutional co-investments. John began his commercial real estate career in 1995 when he joined Cushman & Wakefield. Between 1997 and 2008, he served as Senior Vice President within Cushman & Wakefield's capital markets group leading major Midwest investment sales activity.