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## Farhat and Story Sell Landmark Property to Michigan Creative, brokered by Martin Commercial

EAST LANSING, MI – *March 29, 2022:* A historic property designed by a beloved Lansing architect is welcoming the next generation of business owners to Lansing's North Side. Known for years as the home of Farhat and Story Attorneys at Law, the 1890s showpiece at 1003 North Washington Ave. recently became the new home of Michigan Creative, a growing advertising agency previously based in REO Town.

Martin Commercial Properties, a leading privately-own real estate services and development company, facilitated the sale of the Kaplan House for Farhat and Story, a 70-year old law firm whose principals recently retired. The 4,407-square foot home was designed by Lansing architect Darius B. Moon and placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1984. The 19<sup>th</sup> century Queen Anne style home is a testament to adaptive reuse, with the property having transitioned from a single-family home to a modern business, without losing warmth and character.

"This beautiful property has been the home of Farhat and Story for decades," said Farhat and Story representative Chris Bergstrom. "While it's bittersweet to say goodbye, it's comforting to turn over the keys to another Lansing business that values the significance of this property in Lansing's history."

Martin's Senior Vice President and Office Advisor Eric F. Rosekrans, CCIM, CPM, represented Farhat and Story in the sale of their property.

"It's an honor to be trusted with the sale of this architecturally-significant property, and to represent such a respected firm as Farhat and Story," said Rosekrans. "We're pleased, too, to play a role in welcoming Michigan Creative to their new home, and to contribute to their continued success as a Lansing business."

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