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Kati Hynes' 14 years of economic development experience have enhanced her work on all types of projects. Her primary industry focuses are corporate headquarters, financial services, energy and health care. Over her economic development career, Ms. Hynes has worked with companies that include MetLife, Chiquita, Chobani, JELD-WEN, Kellogg, AREVA, LPL Financial, MSC Industrial Direct Co., SPX, Celgard, Maersk Line, Speed Channel, NASCAR Media Group, US Airways, Westinghouse, Toshiba, GMAC (Ally Financial), Citco Fund Services, Capgemini, American Red Cross, BAE Systems, Compass Group and XPO Logistics.

Ms. Hynes joined the Charlotte Chamber in April 2000 as director of economic development. She was promoted to vice president in 2005. Prior to joining the chamber, she served in various roles at Browning Ferris Industries, MGM/UA Movie Production, Mattel, Inc. and the Carolina Panthers (NFL).

A native of Colorado, Ms. Hynes attended the University of Arizona and graduated from Colorado State University. She has completed the Basic Economic Development Course at the University of North Carolina and is a graduate of the Economic Development Institute (EDI) at the University of Oklahoma. She is a member of the North Carolina Economic Developers Association (NCEDA), Charlotte Regional Commercial Board of Realtors (CRCBR), Commercial Real Estate Women (CREW), International Economic Development Council (IEDC) and Women Executives (WE). Ms. Hynes also sits on the University of North Carolina at Charlotte's Employer Advisory Board and the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Workforce Development Board (Charlotte Works). She was awarded the Charlotte Business Journal's 40 Under 40 award in 2002 and its Women in Business award in 2012, CREW's Commercial Real Estate Person of the Year in 2012 and the Mecklenburg Times' 50 Most Influential Women in 2013.

The Charlotte Chamber's economic development team was recognized as the highest performing economic development organization for communities 250,001 – 1,000,000 in population by Atlas Advertising for 2011-2012. The team was also named as one of the Top 10 Economic Development Groups in the nation by Site Selection magazine two years in a row for their work in 2009 and 2010.

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