

Harold Patricoff Comments on 100 Biscayne Foreign Investment Gone Wrong

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Five years ago, East End Capital and an Australian investor bought a 30-story downtown Miami office building located at 100 N. Biscayne Blvd. for \$84 million. The long-term goal was to increase occupancy by 10% and sell the high-rise and garage, walking away with a hefty profit. By the time the purchase closed in 2016, court filings revealed strife between the co-owners.

In a recent story reported by *The Real Deal*, Miami partner Harold Patricoff stated "the issue with foreign investors is twofold: First off, they may come in with overly high expectations for a windfall, based on stories of an always prospering market. And second, they need to choose their local partners carefully."

East End and the Australian investor had a tentative September 7 deadline to sell, according to the court filings in the July suit. Ed said he believes the property has a lot of potential in view of the influx financial and tech companies in Florida. However, the pending litigation would need to be absorbed by the buyer before closing.

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