

Jason Miller: an appreciation

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It was with tremendous sadness that Property Plus learned of the death of Jason Miller, head of Miller Commercial, last week.

Well liked and gregarious, the 6'5" Dubliner came to the real estate sector via the hospitality industry.

Longtime friend and colleague Declan Stone, managing director and head of retail and capital markets at Colliers, said: "In late 2003, as a favour to John Hamilton, then a partner in our country homes and estates department, I reluctantly agreed to interview his friend, Desmond Miller's son Jason. Jason was at the time a manager in Milano's on Dawson Street, and wanted to get out of the restaurant game and to try his hand at real estate.

"We weren't hiring, but upon meeting him I was taken with his warm, engaging personality. He



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regaled me with anecdotes from his years of restaurant work, and explained that for the most part it was about dealing with people, managing difficult customers and trying to keep them happy. He had real presence and was clearly adept at handling difficult people and stressful situations, and that's where it all started."

Miller joined the retail team at Colliers, where he

stayed for almost 12 years working on high-profile deals with well-known high street and retail park tenants and landlords.

He joined Murphy Mulhall to head up its retail team in 2015 before setting up his own practice, Miller Commercial, in 2017, aged 47. A year later, he was diagnosed with oesophageal cancer, for which he was treated in Ireland and then Germany. He passed away peacefully, surrounded by his family, last Sunday evening.

He recently celebrated his 20th wedding anniversary with his wife Sandra. He leaves behind five daughters – Annabella, Eva, Alexandra, Beatrice and Tessa May – and is also survived by his brothers Angus, Marcus and Jonny, his sisters Rebecca and Samantha, and his parents Desmond and Anna.

He will be deeply missed by his family and friends. Our thoughts and prayers are with them.

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