



## DAVID KUTAS NAMED PRESIDENT OF RETAIL AT DVF

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**NEW YORK** — David Kutas has been named president of retail at Diane von Furstenberg, a new post. He begins March 19.

Most recently, Kutas was senior vice president of Hudson's Bay Co., where he introduced Topshop and Topman to the Canadian market. Earlier, he spent 10 years at Gucci, most recently as vice president and general merchandise manager of Gucci America. In that role, he oversaw all product categories for more than 60 directly operated Gucci stores in the U.S., Canada, Mexico, Brazil and the Caribbean. Before that, he was vice president of retail and store operations for Gucci America, directing more than 55 store management teams. He began his retail career at Holt Renfrew and spent 10 years in various department manager and buying roles.

At DVF, Kutas will oversee and help execute all elements of the brand's retail strategy globally and will report to Joel Horowitz, cochairman.

"David joins us as we continue to invest in building a corporate infrastructure to support major growth ahead. His retail experience, especially within the ready-to-wear and accessories categories, will be incredibly valuable as we grow our presence both domestically and abroad," said Horowitz.

DVF has a global distribution network of more than 55 countries and 1,500 points of sale, including 85 DVF-owned and partnered stores throughout North and South America, Europe, the Middle East and Asia-Pacific.