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All the buzz on celebrities

From Mark Shanahan & Meredith Goldstein of The Boston Globe

At ad agency and on screen, he's a company man

Maybe public relations isn't that different from acting. **David DeBeck, who works as a business development exec in the PR department of Boston ad agency Mullen**, has a supporting role in "The Company Men," which opens here today. He plays general counsel to a company that fires Ben Affleck and Tommy Lee Jones. "It was a lot of fun working with Tommy Lee Jones," says DeBeck. "He never does the same take twice." And Craig T. Nelson, the mean boss who fires them? "One of the sweetest guys you'll ever meet."



DeBeck got his equity card back in 1984 when he lived in New York, and has done theater and television work on and off ever since, including "a lot of Dick Wolf stuff." He moved here in 2004 and after working at another agency, joined Mullen last year. **"I like business," he says, "and acting is one of those things you can't count on."**

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