CLARA MILLER  Prior to assuming the Foundation’s presidency in 2011, Clara was President and CEO of Nonprofit Finance Fund which she founded and ran from 1984 to 2011. NFF serves as a “philanthropic bank” for both social sector organizations and their funders, and has invested and managed more than $1.5 billion in financing for social sector organizations.

In addition to serving on The F. B. Heron Foundation’s board, Clara is on the boards of Family Independence Initiative, the Sustainability Accounting Standards Board, StoneCastle Financial Corp., and The Robert Sterling Clark Foundation. She is a member of the Social Investment Committee of the Kresge Foundation and the U.S. National Advisory Board to the G8 Social Impact Investment Task Force. In 2010 Clara became a member of the first Nonprofit Advisory Committee of the Financial Accounting Standards Board.

Clara was the inaugural laureate of the Prince’s Prize for Innovative Philanthropy awarded in 2014 by the Prince Albert II of Monaco Foundation and the Tocqueville Foundation-Institute of France. She was named to The NonProfit Times “Power and Influence Top 50" for the five years from 2006 through 2010 and received a Bellagio Residency in 2010 by The Rockefeller Foundation.

In 1996, Clara was appointed by President Clinton to the U.S. Treasury’s first Community Development Advisory Board for the then-newly-created Community Development Financial Institutions Fund. She later served as its Chair. She was a member of the Community Advisory Committee of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York for eight years, and she received the “Shining Star Award” in 2014 from New York City performance space PS122.

SPEAKERS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS

DRIANNE BENNER joined Appomattox as Managing Director of Business Development & Client Service in 2010. She is responsible for client and consultant service and marketing communications. Prior to joining Appomattox, Drianne was the Director of Global Marketing for Cadogan Management, a global fund of hedge funds manager. Previously, she managed marketing and institutional consultant relations at U.S. Trust, where she assisted in the development of the multi-manager platform for the firm. Earlier she worked for a global asset manager in a variety of roles including institutional and consultant relations to some of the largest U.S. pension funds and as a manager of portfolios in an enhanced quantitative strategy. She is a CFA Charterholder and a member of the New York Society of Security Analysts.

LAUREN BOOKER focuses on impact investing and venture philanthropy strategies at Omidyar Network. She manages investments, partnerships, and thought leadership initiatives that drive the firm’s field-building and engagement objectives in these sectors. Prior to joining Omidyar Network in 2012, Lauren spent five years at Goldman Sachs, most recently on the healthcare investment banking team. Previously, she was an associate in the global compliance division, covering the firm’s private equity business, after beginning her career in the training and communications group, supporting firm-wide regulatory and reputational risk management efforts. Lauren’s diverse financial services background is coupled with a deep interest in the intersection of business and global economic development; she has completed studies and project work in China, Malaysia, South Africa, and the Dominican Republic.

Lauren earned an MBA from Harvard Business School, where she was elected her section’s leadership and values representative and co-president of the African American Student Union. She received a BA in American and urban studies from Yale University. At Yale, Lauren co-founded Sphere Magazine, an innovative multi-medium platform focused on global citizenship awareness, and served as an urban fellow. Lauren is the vice chair of the Jackie Robinson Foundation (JRF) Pacific Northwest Regional Scholar Advisory Committee and an alumni mentor of Management Leadership for Tomorrow (MLT).

MONICA BRAND ENGEL is founder and manager of Frontier Investments, an early stage equity fund sponsored by ACCION International to invest in disruptive business models that catalyze breakthrough innovation in financial inclusion. Prior to assuming the role as fund manager, Monica launched and ran ACCION’s Marketing & Product Development Unit to push the industry beyond microcredit and worked in Mexico with Compartamos Bank, the largest MFI in Latin America. Before joining ACCION, Monica worked with Anthuri Ventures – a venture capital fund based in Cape Town, South Africa – and founded Anthuri Catalysts to help prepare potential portfolio companies for investment. Ms Brand began her career in financial services in California where she worked as a commercial loan officer of a green fund and separately, helped launch a $50 million multi-bank lending intermediary to finance “near-bankable” small businesses and community facilities. Ms Brand currently serves as an Adjunct Professor at the John Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS) teaching a graduate-level course on impact investing.

Monica received both a M.B.A. and a master's of education from Stanford University and a Bachelors degree magna cum laude in Economics from Williams College. She has served on numerous boards including Compartamos Bank in Mexico (the first MFI in Latin America to IPO), Paralife Holdings (specialized micro-insurance company), GloboKas Net (branchless banking), Mobile Transactions (payment system provider), Shubham (affordable housing financier), and Leap Frog Investments (the world’s largest microinsurance fund). Monica is half-Peruvian and lives with her husband and twin children in Washington DC.
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John is a well-known life sciences executive. He has co-founded four life sciences companies, including Insulet, a disruptive insulin delivery company. He had been a principal of Healthcare Capital Consulting LLC, which advised early-stage life sciences companies, and he was a founder of Prism Venture Partners, a venture capital firm.

Previously, John was a general manager at Pfizer/Valleylab, where he was responsible for Pfizer’s Hospital Products Group’s minimally invasive surgery and new medical technologies business. As President/General Manager at Pfizer/Strato, he led the growth of a rapidly evolving vascular access medical device business.

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KATHERINE BURSTEIN, CFA joined Pell Wealth Partners, a private wealth advisory practice of Ameriprise Financial Services, Inc. in 2014. As a financial advisor, Katherine empowers her clients with a complete financial picture, so that they can work collaboratively with her to track progress towards their unique dreams and goals. In developing investment strategies for her clients, Katherine specializes in an approach called Impact Investing. Her aim is to not only help clients achieve financial and life goals, but also social and environmental ones through generating positive social and environmental impact.

Katherine brings a wealth of experience in the Impact Investing space to her role at Pell. Prior to joining Pell Wealth Partners, Katherine spent 5 years as a Responsible Investment specialist with Mercer Investment Consulting in New York. Katherine worked with corporate, foundation and public pension clients in the US to integrate environmental, social and governance (ESG) factors throughout their investment decision making and active ownership processes. Prior to joining Mercer in 2009, Katherine worked for New Amsterdam Partners, LLC and Calvert Group, Ltd, where she researched ESG issues and helped inform company procedures relating to Impact Investing.

Katherine is a guest lecturer for Columbia’s Master of Science in Sustainability Management program, and a book review editor for the Journal of Environmental Investing. She serves on the Journal of Environmental Investing Scholarship Program’s Board of Directors and is a member of the New York Society of Security Analysts and the CFA Institute. Katherine received a B.A. in Environmental Studies and Economics from Bard College and is a CFA® charterholder.

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Prior to Lehman, Jolyne was a Co-founder and President of Andor Capital Management, a $7.0 billion equity long/short hedge fund. From 1992-2001, she was Managing Director and Head of Equities - Americas at JP Morgan and was Chairman of JP Morgan Securities. She began her career at Bear Stearns in Institutional Equity Sales.

Jolyne holds a BA with honors from Barnard College, Columbia University and is Chair of Barnard’s Board of Trustees. She is a director of Kleinfeld Inc, and serves on the Advisory Committee of Golden Seeds Fund 1.
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Maria has served as Director on several boards, including ANDE (Aspen Network of Development Entrepreneurs), PYME Capital Latin American Fund, and the Fondo Inversión Social. She serves as an advisor on Impact Investing in Latin America to Halloran Philanthropies and Toniic impact investing network. Maria is a mentor of Mobile Metrix.

Maria earned a MBA from The University of Texas at Austin, holds a MS in Information Science from Columbia University in New York City, and received a dual BA degree in Linguistics and Literature from Universidade Federal do Ceará in Brazil.

MELISSA CHEONG is a Managing Director with Imprint Capital, where she works with families, foundations and financial institutions to create impact investment portfolios across asset classes and impact areas. In her role as Director of Private Credit, she oversees the firm’s investments in private credit vehicles as well as in direct transactions. Prior to her work in the impact investing field, Melissa was a Vice President in Plainfield Asset Management’s Direct Lending and Investing group. In this role, she was responsible for sourcing and executing both domestic and international private equity and debt investments across multiple industry sectors for the $6 billion hedge fund. Prior to that, she was a Senior Associate and founding member of Briscoe Capital Partners, a credit focused hedge fund with approximately $400 million of assets under management. Melissa was also a Financial Analyst in the Financial Sponsors and Leveraged Finance groups at Deutsche Bank in the firm’s New York and London offices. Melissa serves on the Board of Directors of Agora Partnerships, a nonprofit impact investing organization dedicated to helping small and growing businesses fight poverty in poor communities throughout Central America. She is also on the Advisory Board for Invested Development, a social impact angel investor intermediary services firm. Melissa has a B.A. with honors in Political Science from the University of Chicago, where she received the Richter Grant and the North Shore Alumni Fellowships. She also holds an M.B.A. from Columbia Business School, with a concentration in Finance and Economics and International Development.

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MOYA CONNELLEY is an impact investment professional with extensive experience in microfinance investing and investment funds. Moya was one of the founders of MicroVest in 2002. She has served as the chief financial officer of a capital management company, an investment officer (lending and equity), and a member of the Board of various microfinance organizations (MFIs and NGOs). Most recently, she developed several funds for the European market and managed a large microfinance fund. She has volunteered on several microfinance consulting projects for High Water Women. Moya has an MBA from the University of Virginia and an undergraduate degree in Economics from Smith College. She currently serves as the Treasurer and a Board member of Seed Capital Development Fund, a microfinance NGO.

LISA DAVIS’ work focuses on the foundation’s investments in quality housing, and on planning and land use innovations in metropolitan regions across the country. Her grant making supports integrated regional strategies and capital tools for building more equitable, sustainable regions.

Lisa joined the Ford Foundation in 2009. Earlier, she worked for more than a decade in both nonprofit and private sector organizations to improve housing and economic conditions in low-income communities. She was vice president and project executive at the New Boston Fund, a private real estate investment management firm. There, Lisa built an innovative partnership among for-profits, nonprofits, financiers, public agencies and community groups to secure entitlements for various units of housing, developments and land purchases.

Before joining the New Boston Fund, Lisa was director of development for the Codman Square Neighborhood Development Corporation and director of housing and development for the Asian Community Development Corporation, two large, nonprofit community development corporations in Boston. In both positions, Lisa oversaw real estate, lending and community development departments and organized coalitions of neighborhood residents to change public policy to become more responsive to community needs.

Lisa holds master’s degrees in real estate development and city planning from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. While at M.I.T., Lisa was selected as a Harry S. Truman Scholar and Graduate Writing Fellow. Her bachelor’s degree is from the University of Texas, Austin.

ARIANE DE VIENNE has over 25 years of client experience in investment advisory and overall wealth management capacity. She has worked closely with global family offices, foundations, trustees, and directly with families to plan, strategize, implement and provide continuous oversight over investment strategies and other wealth planning initiatives. Prior to joining Cornerstone, Ariane was the Principal at AV Advisors LLC in both Hong Kong and New York, providing independent investment advice to individuals and families with a focus on impact investing, as well as business consulting to intermediaries. Prior to that, Ariane was a Managing Director in Client Management at Guggenheim Investment Advisors LLC, Senior Vice President at David J. Greene and Company, Managing Director at JP Morgan Chase in Wealth Management, focusing on both Europe and the US, and a Director of US Private Banking at Union Bank of Switzerland. Ariane currently serves on the Steering Committee for High Water Women, a New York City non-for-profit focused on providing enriched educational opportunities for low-income youth and economic empowerment of women and children. She is also a Senior Advisor to Boundless Impact Investing LLC, New York, an Ambassador to TBLI, an organization dedicated to raising awareness about the benefits and opportunities of sustainable investing, and a Senior Advisor to SustainAsia Ltd, Hong Kong. She was educated in Germany.
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A Yale graduate, Eve, is a CFP™, CIMA®, Accredited Investment Fiduciary, and Chartered Advisor in Philanthropy. She was certified by the Institute for Preparing Heirs, and is a member of the Association of Professional Investment Consultants (APIC) and Forum for Sustainable and Responsible Investment (US SIF).

Eve is active in numerous organizations including the Ms. Foundation for Women, Jewish Women’s Archive, Maccabi USA, 100 Women in Hedge Funds Philanthropy Committee, Congregation Rodeph Sholom, 2020 Women on Boards, the Thirty Percent Coalition and The 30% Club. Eve is frequently quoted in news media including The Wall Street Journal, New York Times, Financial Times, Globe & Mail, Huffington Post. A former professional tennis player, Eve was inducted into the Philadelphia Jewish Sports Hall of Fame in 2011.

ANNE B. EVANS is a Leadership Group Member with Ashoka, the world’s largest network of leading social entrepreneurs, with 3,000+ Ashoka Fellows in over 80 countries. She works globally building partnerships with individuals and companies who share Ashoka’s vision and support its work. She also works on designing Ashoka’s Cities of Changemakers – where Ashoka’s vision of Everyone a Changemaker® brings together a team of education, business, government, social entrepreneurs and other key civic players to empower each person to help create a vibrant city.

She has extensive experience as a senior executive and board member of both for-profit and non-profit enterprises. Formerly an Executive Officer of the National Gallery of Art in Washington, DC, she was also a partner with international management consulting firm The MAC Group (now Gemini Consulting), and sits on the board of Snave LLC, a family business holding company.

A social entrepreneur, she co-founded the Kenya Education Fund providing secondary education for nomadic children in Kenya, and continues on its board. She also serves on the US Advisory Board of JumpMATH, founded by Ashoka Fellow, John Mighton, as well as on the board of Levine Music, Washington, DC.
PABLO J. FARIAS became CEO of Grameen PrimaCare in September 2013, joining the organization’s founders and the Grameen family in developing a new program to expand the health resources of women entrepreneurs in low income immigrant communities across the United States.

Prior to joining Grameen PrimaCare, Pablo served as Vice-President for the Economic Opportunity and Assets Program of the Ford Foundation from 2004 to 2013. In this role he oversaw grant making focused on expanding opportunities and providing fair and equitable ways for people to earn a decent living, build economic resources and achieve security across generations. This work also supported a vision of smart, regional development to build strong and equitable cities, where all communities had access to quality opportunities and a seat in decision making processes. Pablo was also in charge of the foundation's regional programming in China, Indonesia, and India, and oversaw its Program Related Investments.

In addition, Pablo served as Chair of the Board of Living Cities, an innovative philanthropic collaborative of 22 of the world's largest foundations and financial institutions. Living Cities supports efforts that simultaneously tackle issues of people, place and opportunity across cities in the United States.

Prior to joining the Ford Foundation in 1998, Pablo was the founding Director General (1992-1998) of the College of the Southern Border (ECOSUR) in Chiapas, Mexico, a research institute focused on the challenges of poverty alleviation and sustainable development. He served on the board of Mexico’s National Council on Science and Technology and the national advisory councils on sustainable and social development.

Pablo studied medicine at Universidad de Monterrey and trained in psychiatry and medical anthropology at the Cambridge Hospital/Harvard Medical School. He began his career working as a physician in the Comitan General Hospital and in the refugee camps in the Mexico-Guatemala border. A native of Monterrey, Mexico, he now lives with his wife and three children in New York City.
PETER C. FUSARO, prolific author, keynote speaker and respected thought leader, possesses unique expertise on emerging energy and environmental financial markets. He is Chairman of Global Change Associates, a financial services advisory in New York City.

His New York Times best seller, What Went Wrong at Enron, is one of the 16 books he’s written on energy and the environmental financial markets. Peter Fusaro’s latest book was published by Oxford University Press, and is entitled Energy and Environmental Project Finance Law and Taxation: New Investment Techniques. Early on in the field, he coined the term “Green Trading.” His innovative 14th annual Wall Street Green Trading Summit in New York each spring (www.wsgts.com) invites experts from all over the world to share their pool of knowledge at the New York Times Center. The next summit is scheduled for March 23, 2015.

Peter has been on the forefront of energy and environmental change for over 40 years, defining ways to use energy more efficiently and in an environmentally benign manner. His current focus: environmental financial market acceleration for carbon trading and finance, cleantech, and renewable energy markets. Peter is an advisor on carbon trading and finance to financial services companies worldwide. Ever the entrepreneur, Peter co-founded the Energy Hedge Fund Center LLC (www.energyhedgefunds.com) in 2004, which tracks energy and environmental hedge funds, and published the first “Green Hedge Fund Directory” in January 2009. He sold that enterprise in 2011.

Inspiring to green MBA students and faculty alike, Peter was invited to membership on the Advisory Board of the ERB Institute for Global Sustainable Enterprise, Ross School of Business, University of Michigan as well as Bard College’s Advisory Board for its MBA in Sustainability. He has lectured at MIT, Stanford, Wharton, Yale, Northwestern, London School of Business, Columbia and Baruch among leading educational institutions. Peter has taught a popular Renewable Energy Project Development at Columbia for the past 3 years. He is also a well-known expert on Asia Pacific energy and environmental financial markets. He was selected for Who’s Who in America for 2007-2015 and Who’s Who in the World for 2009-2015. Peter graduated with an MA in international relations from Tufts University and a BA from Carnegie-Mellon University.

Peter is an advisor to several cleantech companies and investment funds including Terra Prima Partners LLC, GeoInvestors Infrastructure Fund, and Atmos Air. He is very active in the world of impact investing for private equity and hedge funds.

CATHERINE GILL oversees debt and philanthropy fundraising efforts at Root Capital as well as human resources and information technology. Previously, she served as director for the Capital Partners division of the Nonprofit Finance Fund (NFF) and as site director for the agency’s New England region. She has also served as an adjunct professor at Boston University’s School of Management. Catherine holds an M.B.A from the Instituto de Estudios Superiores de la Empresa (IESE) in Barcelona and a B.A. in ancient Greek from Wellesley College.
JEAN HAMMOND is an active angel investor who was the 2014 recipient of the Hans Severiens Award, the highest award for U.S. angel investors, by the Angel Capital Association (ACA). She was the co-founder of the Boston forum of Golden Seeds (which invests in women owned/managed businesses) and a member of Launchpad Venture Group and Hub Angels. Jean has an active portfolio and has served on the Board or as a Board-level advisor with over 30 of these firms.

Currently, Jean is a Partner at LearnLaunch, a trio of three entities that together support the growth of the Edtech cluster and the innovative firms in this sector: LearnLaunch Institute provides classes, meetups, and conferences involving 8,000 participants; LearnLaunch Campus is a collaborative co-working space for over 30 companies in learning and education; while LearnLaunch Accelerator provides world-class mentoring to a select cohort (8 per class) of high-growth Edtech startup companies.

Helping drive the support ecosystem by matching entrepreneurs with investors and other resources, Jean meets with hundreds of entrepreneurs a year. She has been a part-time entrepreneur-in-residence at the MIT Sloan Entrepreneurship Center and an active mentor at The Capital Network (TCN), TechStars, and MassChallenge. She has been active with the NorthEast ACA groups running angel training sessions involving over 400 participants.

SPENCER J. HEMPLEMAN joined Ardsley Partners in 2002. Spencer is a Partner of the Firm and serves as the Portfolio Manager of the Ardsley Partners Renewable Energy Fund, L.P. Prior to joining Ardsley Partners, Spencer was a Director at CIBC Oppenheimer & Co. where he worked as an equity position trader focused on the utility and alternative energy sectors. Spencer was head of CIBC World Market's U.S. Equity trading desk in London in 2001.

Spencer started at Ardsley as a trader and then moved into an analyst role overseeing the alternative energy, metals, mining and industrial sectors. Spencer's commitment and passion for renewable, alternative and sustainable resource investing helped him to develop broad and deep investment expertise in those sectors; this led to the launch of the Ardsley Partners Renewable Energy Fund in July, 2006.

Spencer earned his MBA from New York University and his BA from Tufts University.

LISA HINDS is the current chair of the investment committee of The Riverside Church Endowment. The mission of the church and its $160 Million endowment is to serve God through word and witness; to treat all human beings as sisters and brothers; and to foster responsible stewardship of all God's creation. Its current impact investments will focus thematically on diversity and inclusion, beloved earth, and recidivism.

Lisa is currently leading the marketing activities for an event driven, distressed securities hedge fund in Westchester, NY. Prior to that, she co-headed the institutional equity division at Aladdin Capital, a Stamford-based boutique broker dealer / hedge fund and maintained full profit and loss responsibility for the group. Lisa’s responsibilities included managerial oversight of the full suite of equity capital markets businesses, both primary and secondary. She served in prior senior relationship management capacities in global equities at Kaufman Brothers, Soleil Securities, Standard and Poors, Bear Stearns and Morgan Stanley. Lisa started her career in the Financial Management Program at GE Capital.

She holds an MBA from the Fuqua School of Business at Duke University and a Master's of Arts in Law and Diplomacy from the Fletcher School at Tufts University.

Lisa serves on the Boards of Children’s Hospital at Montefiore (Bronx, NY). She is actively involved in the National Association of Securities Professionals, the Hedge Fund Association, and 100 Women in Hedge Funds.
MAE HONG is the Vice President of the Midwest regional office of Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors. In this role she is responsible for building RPA’s presence in serving individual donors, families, foundations and corporations throughout the Midwest. Bringing more than 15 years of nonprofit and philanthropy experience to RPA, she previously served as Program Director at the Field Foundation of Illinois, where she oversaw grant making and internal operations. Her funding expertise includes children, youth and families; poverty alleviation; women and girls’ issues; and advocacy. She has also been actively involved in RPA’s leadership on the issue of diversity in philanthropy.

Mae actively participates in local and national philanthropic associations and networks, serving in leadership roles on boards and committees, engaging in public speaking opportunities, and facilitating planning and execution of philanthropic initiatives. She is a past chair of the board of Chicago Foundation for Women. Current board service includes Grantmakers for Effective Organizations, the Illinois Humanities Council, and the Daystar Center. She completed her graduate work in social service administration at The University of Chicago. Prior to entering the nonprofit sector, she worked in the publishing industry for several years following her graduation from Northwestern University’s Medill School of Journalism.

KRISTIN HULL is an educator, activist, entrepreneur and conscious investor. She began her career as a bilingual elementary school teacher, and then co-founded a Charter school in Oakland (www.noccs.org) and served on the founding board of George Mark Children’s House (http://www.gmch.org), the first free-standing children’s hospice in the US.

Interested in innovative solutions to leverage resources for social change, Kristin entered the space of impact investing in 2007. She started by working with impact advisors to align an entire foundation endowment with its social justice mission. Since then, Kristin founded the Nia Community Fund (www.niacommunity.org) concentrating on conscious investing in Oakland. She is also a co-founder of Hub Oakland (http://oakland.impacthub.net) and serves as a coach helping others to align their assets with their values. In 2012 Kristin partnered with Amy Domini of Domini Social Investments to help bring Impact Investing into the public markets. Together they launched Nia Global Solutions www.niaglobalsolutions.com.

She serves on the board of directors for the Mosaic Project (http://www.mosaicproject.org), the Nicholson Foundation Playworks (www.playworks.org) and CAFWA (www.cafwa.org).

Kristin earned her BA and teaching credentials at Tufts University, her MA in Research in Bilingual Education from Stanford University and PhD in Urban Education from UC Berkeley. She lives in Piedmont with her 2 boys and 4 chickens.
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Erika is a founding Board member of the Sustainability Accounting Standards Board (SASB), and is a member of the World Economic Forum (WEF) Global Agenda Council on Financing and Capital. She is the advisor to the Clinton Global Initiative (CGI) Market Based Approaches program, and sits on the Program Design Advisory Council for Harvard Business School's Executive Education Program. Her work has been featured by Bloomberg Businessweek, Euromoney, the Financial Times, Investor Relations Magazine and Forbes. For driving collaboration across the capital markets, she has been named among the nation's “Top 50 Women in Wealth” by AdvisorOne; and in 2014 she was named among the “GOOD 100” and the “Purpose Economy 100.”

DIANE KEEFE, Director of Business Development for BeneStream, is an experienced financial analyst and advocate of social enterprise as a way to solve societal problems. BeneStream has devised a method for assisting low wage employees of large companies with enrollment in Medicaid while at work. BeneStream's service enhances disposable income of working families while making it easier for employers to comply with the Affordable Care Act. Earlier, she founded and managed Pax World High Yield Fund, in addition to working on trading floors at Dillon, Read, Swiss Bank, and UBS in the taxable fixed income capital markets. She has served on the Board of Directors of various organizations dealing with the role of business and its impact in communities, such as Opportunity Finance Network, Business Leaders for Sensible Priorities, and Green America, where she also served as Chairperson for four years. She currently serves as a Trustee of New York Quarterly Meeting Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) and as a member of the National Stewardship Committee and investment sub-committee of American Friends Service Committee in Philadelphia. Diane has a CFA, an MBA in Finance from Columbia University Graduate School of Business and a BA in Political Economy from Wellesley College.

KAY KOPLOVITZ Founder of USA Network, and Principal of Koplovitz & Co. LLC. Kay Koplovitz is the founder of USA Network, the Sci-Fi Channel and USA Networks International, a company launched in 1977. Kay served as Chairperson & CEO until the company was sold for $4.5 Billion in 1998. Kay co-founded Springboard Enterprises which was launched in 2000 to raise venture capital for women entrepreneurs. Since its inception, Springboard Enterprises has presented over 550 companies that have raised $6.6 billion in new capital. Koplovitz and partners are currently raising a 50 million Springboard Fund to invest in women-led companies in the life-sciences and technology industries. She currently serves on the boards of Kate Spade, CA Technologies, Time Inc., and Ion Media. Some of her notable accomplishments include her nomination as Chairman of the National Women’s Business Council (NWBC) in 1998 by President Clinton as well as the publication of Bold Women, Big Ideas (May ’02), which she wrote to inform and inspire women entrepreneurs to create wealth through equity.
DOUGLAS LAWRENCE has more than 27 years of distinguished real estate and investment industry experience. Prior to forming 5 Stone Green Capital, Doug spent 13 year at JPMorgan Chase, where he was the Managing Director and Co-Portfolio Manager of the green real estate Urban Renaissance Property Fund. Prior to this role, he was a senior member of JPMorgan Real Estate Asset Management Team.

His strength as asset manager garnered nine international and national awards as a top asset manager from his industry peer groups, BOMA, IREM and NAIOP. Over the course of his career, he managed a large portfolio of industrial, office, multi-family and retail assets totaling more than 5 million SF valued in excess of $1 billion while at JPMorgan.

Doug received his MBA from the University of Connecticut in International Business Finance and earned his BA from Yale University. He serves on the Investment Committee and Natural Resources Committee of the University of Connecticut Foundation, the Advisory Board of Rutgers Business School, the Advisory Board of the Saunders Business School at Rochester Institute of Technology and the Sustainability Advisory Board of the industry publication, the National Real Estate Investor.

While at JPMorgan, Lewis Jones and Doug Lawrence helped to author the pioneering urban investment strategy for Canyon-Johnson Urban Fund I (“CJUF”), a successful urban real estate fund sponsored by Magic Johnson Development and Canyon Capital Realty Advisors. Lewis Jones, as President of the JPMorgan Chase Community Development Corporation committed $25 million to CJUF as its lead investor. The pair helped the fund raise $270 million in equity capital. CJUF realized approximately a 1.5x equity multiple and 17% net IRR.

The JPMorgan Urban Renaissance Fund was a very early adopter of a well-diversified, multi-sector closed-end green real estate fund strategy that incorporated sustainability and green technology to materially boost returns. As managing directors, Jones and Lawrence authored the Fund’s strategy, were its co-portfolio managers and raised more than $180 million of capital for the Fund in 2008. The Fund delivered more than 500 apartments and set records for asset sales in Chicago and Atlanta.

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ELISE ZOLI chairs the firm’s Energy Practice, is a leader in its Cleantech and Climate Change initiatives, and focuses on clean energy, water, technology and agriculture (“Cleantech”) considerations.

Work for Clients
Elise specializes in developing the strategic direction and financing, including hedge fund, private equity, venture capital, governmental and alternative funding, for Cleantech companies. Her work includes substantial depth in innovative nuclear, clean water, water consumption and water treatment, solar, “smart” grid, energy storage (e.g., uranium oxide fuel cells), biofuels, advanced industrial processes, agriculture and carbon conversion, as well as environmental attribute (RPS, REC, carbon) markets. Elise has a keen sense of Cleantech markets and opportunities. In addition, Elise has broad experience in all aspects of the finance and development of energy and infrastructure projects, particularly electric-generating, water treatment and energy storage facilities. In conjunction with her transactional work, Elise also has pioneered the use of insurance coverage. Her work includes implementation of the nationally recognized Commonwealth-subsidized environmental-insurance program developed in conjunction with the Massachusetts Brownfields legislation. Elise works on behalf of the Cleantech sector primarily from the Boston and Silicon Valley offices.

Elise also has extensive, “first chair” and lead counsel experience in large-scale, environmental and energy-related litigation under the major federal environmental acts and analogous state laws. Recent successes include Mass. v. EPA, in which the U.S. Supreme Court authorized EPA-based carbon regulation, Entergy v. Riverkeeper, in which the U.S. Supreme Court approved the use of rationale cost-benefit analysis in the development of federal water-use regulations for large-scale power-production and industrial facilities, Entergy v. Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection, in which the Massachusetts judiciary rejected the Massachusetts DEP's regulatory overreach with respect to water use, In re: Entergy Discharge Permit, in which the specially constituted Vermont Environmental Court and Vermont Supreme Court approved of increased thermal
discharges to the Connecticut River. Elise also advised the relevant parties in the successful defense of the “Big Dig” or Central Artery Project, the then-largest U.S. public works project, under NEPA.

Professional Activities
Elise is a lecturer on Cleantech and Climate Change at MIT’s Sloan School, regularly speaks on Cleantech issues nationwide, is the Chairman of the Board of Directors for the Guestbook Project Foundation, a member of the Advisory Board for Boundless Impact Investing, Inc., an energy advisor to the Bhutan Foundation and an advisor to SolSolution Inc., a not-for-profit solar company that installs solar in primary schools on a nationwide basis (e.g., 28MW in Los Angeles). She is a member of the New England Clean Energy Coalition’s Policy and Solar Committee’s.

Elise is also a member of the California and New York Academies of Science, as well as of the American Nuclear and American Chemical Societies.

Recognition
Elise has been selected for inclusion in Chambers USA: America’s Leading Lawyers for Business over many years, and is identified by Chambers as the leading energy attorney in the Commonwealth (2012). She was selected as Energy Fortnightly’s groundbreaking attorney of the year in Cleantech (2011). She also has been selected for inclusion in Best Lawyers, Law Dragon and Super Lawyers, among other organizations.

Education
• J.D., University of Pennsylvania Law School, 1990.
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Bar and Court Admissions
Elise is admitted to practice in New York and Massachusetts, as well as in the U.S. Supreme Court, D.C. Circuit, 1st Circuit, 2nd Circuit, 5th Circuit and 9th Circuit courts, and various district and state courts.