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Lynden Archer is the Joseph Silbert Dean of the College of Engineering and the James A Friend Family Distinguished Professor of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering. His research focuses on transport properties of polymers and polymer-nanoparticle hybrid materials, and their applications for electrochemical energy storage. Archer received his Ph.D. in chemical engineering from Stanford University in 1993 and was a Postdoctoral Member of the Technical Staff at AT&T Bell Laboratories in 1994. He is a member of the National Academy of Engineering (NAE) and fellow of the American Physical Society (APS). His research contributions have been recognized with various awards, including the AICHE Nanoscale Science and Engineering Forum award, the National Science Foundation award for Special Creativity, a NSF Distinguished Lectureship in Mathematical & Physical Sciences, the American Institute of Chemical Engineer's MAC Centennial Engineer award, and the Thompson-Reuters World's Most Influential Scientific Minds in Materials Science for 2014 & 2015. At Cornell, he has been recognized with the James & Mary Tien Excellence in Teaching Award and thrice with the Merrill Presidential award as the most influential member of the Cornell faculty selected by a Merrill Presidential Scholar awardee. He previously served as Director of the Smith School of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering at Cornell from 2010 to 2016, and served as the David Croll Director of the Cornell Energy Systems Institute from 2017 to 2020.

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John Balen is a partner at Canaan Partners, an early-stage technology and health care venture capital firm. With more than 35 years in venture capital and technology startups, he has served as the lead investor and board member for numerous technology startups including: Cardlytics, Commerce One, Echopass, eStamp, Everdream, ID Analytics, Intraware, Rightpoint, SilverRail Technologies and SOASTA. Currently, he serves on the boards of Cardlytics, RPI/Blurb and UrbanSitter. Prior to joining Canaan Partners in 1995, Balen was a managing director at Horsley Bridge Partners, a multi-billion private equity firm where he was responsible for investing in venture capital partnerships and aspiring technology companies. Prior to his investment career, he was an engineer with Digital Equipment Corporation and Codenoll Technology. He also serves as a Cornell advisory council member for the Samuel Curtis Johnson Graduate School of Management, Cornell Engineering's School of Electrical and Computer Engineering, Entrepreneurship at Cornell and Cornell Silicon Valley. He holds a B.S. in electrical engineering and an M.B.A. from Cornell University.

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Frank A. DeCosta III, J.D., Ph.D., is a partner at Finnegan, LLP. He is former head of the firm's 130 member electrical and computer technology practice group and a member of the firm's management committee. DeCosta has significant experience in patent litigation, client counseling, and providing opinions related to computers, electronics, software, medical devices, and information systems. Most of DeCosta's cases have involved technology related to his previous research, academic training, and work experience at Bell Labs and The Mitre Corporation. He has managed patent enforcement and defense activities for clients in the United States, Europe, and Asia. As a first chair litigator, he directed litigation teams that obtained jury and bench judgments of more than $100 million.

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RANA GLASGAL
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Rana Glasgal has nearly 20 years of experience in higher education administration. She is currently the Associate Vice Provost for Institutional Research and Decision Support at Northeastern University, facilitating institutional decision making by providing integrated analysis and research. Prior to holding this position, Rana spent over 18 years at Stanford University, most recently as Assistant Vice President for Workforce Analytics, designing and promoting the use of analytics for decision making in academic human resources. Before Stanford, she was a consultant with Decision Focus Incorporated. Rana just concluded her term as an alumni-elected trustee on the Cornell Board of Trustees and is a life member of the Cornell University Council. She is currently a member of the Cornell Alumni Advisory Board, a member and former chair of the CAAAN Advisory Committee, and a Cornell Class of '87 class officer. She is a member of CAAAN and a former General Chair for the Northern California region. She has served as a director of the Cornell Alumni Federation and as a member of the Ways and Means Committee. Rana holds her B.S. and M.Eng. from Cornell in Operations Research.

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Ken Goldman is the former chief financial officer of Yahoo! and now president of Hillspire, a family office. He was previously CFO of Fortinet. He also served as senior vice president, finance and administration, and chief financial officer of Siebel Systems, Inc., Excite@Home Corporation and Sybase, Inc. He currently serves on the board of directors of NXP Semiconductor, Trinet, GoPro, Inc., SASB and several private companies. Goldman was a member of board of trustees of Cornell University from 2005 to 2013 and was designated as emeritus trustee. He was formerly a member of the Treasury Advisory Committee on the Auditing Profession and was appointed a member of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board's Standing Advisory Group ("SAG"). Goldman holds a B.S. in electrical engineering from Cornell University and an M.B.A. from the Harvard Business School.

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Paul turns early-to-growth stage models into world-class businesses. Recent projects include translating a highly novel, non-pharmacological pain management technique from a teaching hospital lab to clinic (in progress), developing and launching a first-of-its kind micrografting device that took a surgical procedure out of the operating room and into the outpatient clinic (acquired by Medline Industries), and restructuring all market facing activities at a national PE-backed, data-driven wound care services firm by quantifying, communicating and capturing improved care economics, including execution of the most advantageous capitated payer contract in company history. Prior and between, he co-founded or advised other technology and med device start-ups, and before healthcare, he pivoted two multinationals from declining legacy businesses into high growth cleantech (solar) sectors and then was interim president/GM of those new divisions. Prior still, he evaluated, acquired, and sold lower middle-market companies with PE firm KODA and founded one of the first online catering solutions firms in New England, Vmeals Boston (acquired by a competitor). Early in his career, Paul spent a decade in technology and strategic advisory firms Accenture, Parthenon Group, and Eastwing Group. Raised by two lifelong educators, Paul invests generously in people and communities, serving as adviser or director at numerous start-ups, non-profits, incubators, and student organizations. He holds a BS in Electrical Engineering from Cornell and an MBA from Harvard.

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Andrea Ippolito currently serves as the CEO and Founder of SimpliFed. Prior to joining Cornell, Andrea served as the Director of the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Innovators Network within the VA Center for Innovation and served as a Presidential Innovation Fellow based out of the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy and General Services Administration. She was the Co-Founder of an innovative application that improves access to care called Smart Scheduling (acquired by athenahealth in 2016). She also previously served as the Co-Director of MIT Hacking Medicine, as an Innovation Specialist at the Brigham Innovation Hub and Product Innovation Manager at athenahealth. Ms. Ippolito completed her MS in Engineering & Management at MIT and engineering degrees at Cornell.

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Kevin Johnson, who has an electrical engineering degree from Cornell, is the founder and leader of the intellectual property group at Quinn Emanuel Urquhart and Sullivan, LLP. He serves as lead counsel for Fortune 500 companies and start-ups including Samsung, Sony, Salesforce, MediaTek, Caltech, Bio-Rad, Twist Bioscience, and C3. He recently won a $1.1 billion verdict for Caltech against Apple and Broadcom. His practice focuses on patent litigation and licensing in a wide variety of technology areas. In 2020, his group was named IP group of the year, and Kevin was named an "Intellectual Property MVP" and "Technology MVP" by Law360. He was also listed as a Best Lawyers in America for Intellectual Property Litigation, 2013-2021. Mr. Johnson also serves as a Trustee of SFMOMA.

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Michele A. Kaliski brings three decades of practical experience investing in students, innovation, and public service. After graduating from Cornell, Kaliski studied as a General Motors Fellow at MIT. Her master's thesis outlined an innovative strategy for empowering employees in improving factory operations, a basis for her work as a manufacturing engineer at GM's Harrison Radiator and a competitive analysis engineer at A.C. Rochester. After starting a family, Kaliski turned her career attention to public service, organizing and fundraising for student programs in the arts and athletics. In the past decade, she's shifted focus to the college level, pursuing investment opportunities at MIT's Division of Student Life. At Cornell, Kaliski has worked with the ECE Department to establish and organize its Innovation Award Competition. Now entering its fourth year, the competition has funded a number of remarkable student teams, the members of which are well underway in their own impactful careers.

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Deb Kemper is a partner at Golden Seeds Venture Fund, focused on investing in early stage enterprise B2B and medtech companies. She formerly led the Boston Forum of Golden Seeds, a national angel investor group. Prior to launching Golden Seeds Venture Fund, she built a portfolio of over two dozen early stage investments via Libra Global Partners, LLC. Previously, Deb was a consultant with McKinsey & Company where she served clients in the energy, utility, electronics, and healthcare sectors. Her functional experience spans manufacturing, product development, operations and strategy. Deb was the founding organizer for TEDxShanghaiWomen in 2012, which was the first TEDxWomen event in mainland China. She speaks at various events on women in leadership and early stage venture investing. Deb earned her MBA from the Amos Tuck School at Dartmouth College where she was named an Edward Tuck Scholar. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil & Environmental Engineering from Cornell University where she graduated With Distinction and was a member of the Varsity Women’s Crew. She repatriated to the United States in 2013, after living in Peru and China for 8 years.

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Soojin Kim is Senior Vice President and Head of Biopharmaceuticals Manufacturing and Development at Hanmi Pharmaceutical Co. in South Korea. Soojin’s organization is responsible for production, manufacturing science/development, and regulatory affairs of biologics portfolio including proteins/antibody/ large molecules drug substances/products development as well as commercial manufacturing for Synojoynt™, Rolontis®, and efpeglenatide, Prior to joining Hanmi in 2015, Soojin worked at Boehringer Ingelheim in Ridgefield, CT as Senior Research Fellow and Head of API Development Group and at Bristol-Myers Squibb in New Brunswick, NJ as Head of Solid State Development Group in Chemical Process R&D. She contributed to the development and commercialization of Reyataz®, Sprycel®, Eliquis®, Abilify®, Daklinza®, Plavix®, Giotrif®, and Spiriva®. Soojin has B.S. from Cornell and M.S and Ph.D. from Caltech, all in Chemical Engineering, and resides in South Korea and New Jersey with husband, Doo S. Lee (B.S. ’86 MAE, M.Eng. ’88 ORIE) and son, Joseph (Engr ’22).

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William LaFontaine is a recognized leader in the areas of technology licensing, technology partnerships and intellectual property. In his current role as general manager of intellectual property at IBM, LaFontaine and his team work at the intersection of research, business units and clients to accelerate market introduction of new technologies including cognitive computing, AI, quantum and blockchain. LaFontaine is responsible for annually delivering over a billion dollars in joint development, technology transfer and patent licensing. In his 29 year career at IBM, LaFontaine has been the chief operating officer for IBM’s research division, general manager of global technology services in the Middle East and Africa, as well as general manager of worldwide semiconductor and technology sales.

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Aref Lahham is a managing director and founding partner of Orion Capital Managers, which has invested over €10 billion over the last 20 years. Lahham serves on the Orion Funds Investment Committee and is chief investment officer, setting the strategy and leading the funds acquisition teams and activities as well as directing asset management activities on a significant number of fund investments. Lahham has 33 years of real estate investment and development experience in the United States and Europe. He has a BSc in engineering from Purdue University, Master of Engineering in civil engineering from Cornell University and an M.B.A. from INSEAD.

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For 15 years, Kapil Mathur has managed a team that trades financial instruments worldwide using data driven quantitative methods at Cubist Systematic Strategies. Three decades ago, upon earning a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from Indian Institute of Technology, Mathur came to the U.S. to study at Cornell University for his doctoral degree in mechanical engineering. After working as a scientist at the Thinking Machines Corporation in Cambridge, MA, Mathur relocated to New York to pursue finance. During Mathur's 24 years in New York, he had also been a vital member of the quantitative teams at D.E. Shaw and HBK Investments. To give back to his community, he is currently the treasurer of the Columbia Grammar and Preparatory School, an independent school in New York. Outside of work, Mathur is a passionate reader, an avid collector of old comic books and an ardent fantasy football player.

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Avinash Mehrotra is a partner of Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC and a senior member of the Investment Banking Division. Avi is global head of the Activism and Shareholder Advisory and Takeover Defense practices. Previously, he was global head of the Financial Institutions Mergers & Acquisitions (M&A) business. Avi joined Goldman Sachs in 1996 as an associate in New York in the M&A Group where he advised clients in the consumer, industrials and healthcare industries. He transferred to the Technology, Media and Telecommunications Group in 2002, continuing to focus on M&A. From 2006 to 2010, he was co-head of the Technology M&A business. He relocated to Dubai in 2010, where he led the Investment Banking Division for the Middle East and North Africa. He returned to New York in 2012 as global head of the Real Estate, Gaming and Lodging M&A business from 2012 to 2015. Avi was named managing director in 2004 and partner in 2010. Prior to joining the firm, Avi held various positions at Intel, Morgan Stanley and McKinsey & Company. Avi serves on the Board of Trustees of Horace Mann School, is a member of the Board's Executive Committee and chairs the Finance Committee. He has also served on the Hunter College Foundation Board of Trustees since 2004 and is vice-chair of the Finance & Investments Committee. Avi earned a BS, with distinction, in Electrical Engineering from Cornell University in 1991 and an MBA from Stanford University's Graduate School of Business in 1996.

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Kyle Mork is president and chief executive officer of Greylock Energy. He began his career with Halliburton Energy Services before moving to Energy Corporation of America where he served in a variety of operations and management-focused roles, ultimately culminating in the role of CEO. In fall 2017 he launched Greylock Energy, a new oil and natural gas, exploration, production and midstream company formed with ArcLight Capital Partners. Mork holds a Bachelor of Science degree in chemical engineering from Cornell University, an MBA from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University, and has taken masters courses at the University of Southern California in Petroleum Engineering. He is past-chairman of the board of directors for the Clay Center for the Arts and Sciences and also serves on the Cornell Engineering College Council. He is active in the Young Presidents' Organization and previously served as chair of the Mountain State Chapter. He and his wife Kirsten live in Charleston, West Virginia, with their three children.

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Andreas Mustad is the co-founder of Nexwell Holdings, a company dedicated to the structuring, promotion and investment in business opportunities in the renewable sector which have a measurable impact on reducing climate change risk. Nexwell promotes these initiatives and makes these investments by guiding and partnering its portfolio companies with like-minded infrastructure investors, companies and entrepreneurs. Prior to Nexwell, Andreas founded and ran Sonnedix Global Holdings as its CEO from startup to a US$4 billion global solar power generation company over a 9 year period. His successful career spans more than 20 years in the energy and industrial sectors, with experience ranging from global executive leadership positions with accountability for all aspects of running a business, including strategy, performance, development, staffing and execution, to earlier roles in M&A and turn-around management. Andreas graduated as a structural engineer from Cornell University's School of Civil and Environmental Engineering and has an MBA from IESE Business School in Spain. He is fluent in Spanish, French, English and Norwegian as well as conversant in Italian.

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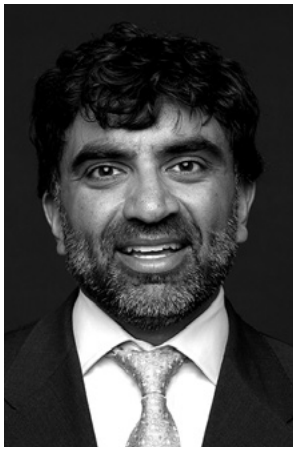
Richard Ong is the founder, Chairman and CEO of the RRJ Group. RRJ is a leading private equity firm in Asia with approximately $6 billion under management. Prior to 2008, Ong had a 15-year career with Goldman Sachs. Based in Beijing, he was Co-Head of the Asian Ex-Japan Investment Banking Division. Ong became a Managing Director of Goldman Sachs in 1996 and a Partner in 2000. He was also a member of the Goldman Sachs Asian Management Committee. Prior to his transfer to Beijing, Ong was the Co-President of Goldman Sachs Singapore. He has also had experience working in Hong Kong, and prior to joining Goldman Sachs, worked five years in New York City for Chase Manhattan Bank and Prudential-Bache Capital Funding. Richard graduated from Cornell University in 1986 with a Bachelor of Science and the University of Chicago in 1989 with a Masters of Business Administration.



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David Perez is a co-founder and a managing partner of Avance Investment Management, LLC. Prior to founding Avance, he was the president and chief operating officer of Palladium Equity Partners, a New York based private equity firm. He previously worked in private equity at General Atlantic Partners, Atlas Venture and Chase Capital Partners. Perez serves on the board of directors of Palladium portfolio companies QMax, HyCite and Prince International and previously for Aconcagua Holdings, Capital Contractors, DolEx, Jordan Health Services, Regional Management and Taco Bueno. He is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations, serves as the co-chair of the Cuban Studies Advisory Group at Harvard University, as a trustee of the Trinity School in New York City and as the president of the board of directors of Ballet Hispánico. Perez earned a Diplom-Ingenieur degree from TU Dresden, an M.Eng. in engineering management from Cornell University and an M.B.A. from the Harvard Business School.

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Sam is the Chief Legal Officer for Global Atlantic Financial Group, with responsibilities for legal, compliance and regulatory and government affairs. In addition, he serves on the Company’s Executive Committee. Sam received his Bachelor of Science degree in electrical engineering from Cornell University and his Master of Science degree in systems engineering from NYU Tandon School of Engineering. He was a practicing engineer for several years before pursuing a legal career at Hofstra University School of Law. He served as law clerk to Judge C. Arlen Beam of the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals before joining the New York law firm of Sullivan & Cromwell where he specialized in securities law. He left S&C to join Goldman, Sachs & Co. where he served as a Managing Director & Associate General Counsel. He was a founding member of the Goldman Sachs Reinsurance Group, which was sold and renamed Global Atlantic. In addition to his work at Global Atlantic, Sam currently serves as one of a small group of alumni on the Law School Dean’s Alumni Advisory Board and on its Campaign Task Force.

BECKIE ROBERTSON
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San Francisco, CA

Beckie Robertson is a founder and has served as Managing Director of Versant Ventures, where she specializes in medical devices and diagnostics, since November 1999. In addition, through Longridge Business Advisors, she has provided business advisory and board services since April 2017. Ms. Robertson served as a general partner at Institutional Venture Partners (IVP), where she was an investor in the life sciences group, from July 1997 to October 1999. From September 1994 to June 1997, Ms. Robertson served as senior vice president at Chiron Diagnostics, a division of Chiron Corporation, where she had responsibility for the critical care business unit in addition to leading the division's business development efforts. Prior to that, she was an entrepreneur in residence for IVP in the life sciences group from January 1994 to August 1994. From October 1990 to December 1993 she was a co-founder and Vice President at Egis, a consumer products company. In addition, from January 1983 to September 1990 she held senior management positions in operations and finance at Lifescan, a Johnson & Johnson Company. Ms. Robertson holds a B.S. in chemical engineering from Cornell University.

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Tony Satterthwaite is Vice Chairman of Cummins, Inc. Since 1988, Satterthwaite has held a number of leadership roles at Cummins. He was most recently the President of Cummins Distribution segment, prior to that he was President of the Cummins Power Generation segment. He was named managing director of Power Generation's operations in Ramsgate, England, in 1999 and promoted to Vice President in 2001. Before joining Cummins, Satterthwaite was a general field engineer for Schlumberger. He also has joined a new board this September, the National Association of Manufacturers. He holds an MBA from Stanford University and an undergraduate degree in civil engineering from Cornell University. Externally, Satterthwaite is a director of IDEX Corporation. He lives in Indianapolis and enjoys playing soccer and being involved in the local community.

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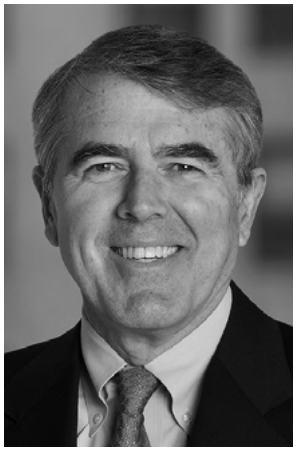
Linda S. Schadler, ('85 Materials Science and Engineering, Ph.D. '90 U. Pennsylvania) is Dean of the College of Engineering and Mathematical Sciences at the University of Vermont. Prior to her current position, Linda was the Vice Provost and Dean of Undergraduate Education and the Russell Sage Professor in Materials Science and Engineering at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. As Vice Provost, she provided leadership, and strategic direction to the Advising Learning and Assistance Center, The Office of International Programs, and the Office of Undergraduate Education. Linda was also the Associate Dean of Academic Affairs in the School of Engineering at Rensselaer overseeing the Manufacturing Innovation Learning Laboratory and the Multidisciplinary Design Laboratory. Linda is a Fellow of the Materials Research Society and of ASM International. She is a current member of the Materials Research Society Board of Directors and a former member of ASM International's Board of Trustees and the National Materials Advisory Board.



ROBERT W. SELANDER
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MASTERCARD (RETIRED)

Greenwich, CT

Robert W. Selander served as Executive Vice Chairman of MasterCard Incorporated and MasterCard International from July, 2010 until December, 2010. From April, 1997 until July, 2010, Selander served as Chief Executive Officer of MasterCard Incorporated and MasterCard International. In addition, until August 2009, Selander served as President of MasterCard Incorporated and MasterCard International from June 2002 and April 1997, respectively. Prior to his election as President and Chief Executive Officer of MasterCard International in April 1997, Selander was an Executive Vice President and President of the MasterCard International Europe, Middle East/Africa and Canada regions. Before joining MasterCard in 1994, Selander spent two decades with Citicorp/Citibank, N.A. Selander has also served as a director of the Hartford Financial Services Group, Inc. from March, 1998 to May, 2008, MasterCard Incorporated from June, 2002 until December, 2010, and MasterCard International from April, 1997 until December, 2010. Selander also served on the Board of Trustees of the Fidelity Equity and High Income Funds until August 2017 and the Western Union board until July 2018. Selander currently serves as a director of Equifax and non-executive chairman of Health Equity Inc.

DMITRI SHKLOVSKY
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Dmitri Daniel Shklovsky is a partner at GPS Investment Partners and the Managing Partner of Bullingham Capital, a private investment firm. Bullingham Capital invests in real estate and private equity and provides capital and strategic support to a number of asset managers and specialty finance firms. He is also a partner and advisory board member of Taurus Investment Holdings, a global real estate investment firm specializing in multifamily, logistics and renewable energy sectors. In addition, he serves on a number of boards and investment committees of select asset managers. Dmitri was a founder and managing partner of Atreaus Capital, a multi-billion dollar global macro and commodities hedge fund with offices in New York and London. Prior to founding Atreaus Capital in 2011, Mr. Shklovsky served as a proprietary trader at JP Morgan running a global diversified portfolio in currencies and commodities. Prior to that, he was with Tudor Investment Corporation, a Greenwich CT based hedge fund. He began his career at Long Term Capital Management. Mr. Shklovsky is a trustee and a board member of the U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Foundation. He serves on the Cornell University Engineering College Council and has been a guest lecturer at Cornell University in the field of finance and entrepreneurship. He holds a B.S. in Computer Science and M.Eng. in ORIE from Cornell University. Dmitri and his wife, Lisa (Class of '97), have two children and reside in Greenwich, CT.

KEITH SHOATES
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VICE PRESIDENT, OFFICE OF THE CEO VISTA EQUITY PARTNERS

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Keith Shoates joined Vista Equity Partners in 2018. He is responsible for integrating strategic planning, operations, corporate communications and initiatives in support of the firm's CEO, Robert F. Smith. Prior to joining Vista, Mr. Shoates worked as a Director at Integrity Applications Incorporated, where he built the firm's portfolio in Northern Virginia. Before joining IAI, Mr. Shoates served 24 years in the U.S. Air Force before retiring in 2011 at the rank of colonel. Mr. Shoates is a member of the Information Technology (IT) Advisory Committee for the Northern Virginia Community College (NVCC). Mr. Shoates is the Founding Director and President of A View From Grace Foundation, which is dedicated to improving financial literacy for individuals and families.

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Dan Simpkins is an experienced entrepreneur who previously founded and led two successful startup companies: SALIX Technologies and Hillcrest Labs. Simpkins recently founded and is now CEO of Domusys, Inc. a new IoT technology startup focused on helping consumers manage and maintain their largest asset, their home. Having sold Hillcrest in 2016, Hillcrest is now part of CEVA, a leading DSP/AI technology company. As CEO of Hillcrest, Simpkins guided the company to introduce groundbreaking user experiences for television and developed exceptional expertise in motion sensors. Before founding Hillcrest, Simpkins founded and led telecommunications pioneer SALIX Technologies. Simpkins managed the company from its inception to it becoming a leader in VoIP and then to its acquisition by Tellabs, Inc. Simpkins is both a business and technical leader: he teaches, writes about and speaks about entrepreneurship and he holds over 20 U.S. patents. In addition to his business activities, he is a member of the board of trustees of his synagogue, Kol Shalom, and a member of the Cornell University Engineering College Council.

ELISSA STERRY
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