

# **KEYNOTE SPEAKERS**

### JESSICA (MCANNENY) BURT '02

HEAD OF GLOBAL PLATFORM AND BUSINESS STRATEGY FOR BLACKROCK INVESTMENT STEWARDSHIP

#### BLACKROCK

Jessica K Burt, Managing Director, is responsible for the global platform and business strategy for BlackRock Investment Stewardship (BIS), overseeing daily operations and strategic initiatives for BIS. Ms. Burt also heads the Voting Platform enabling institutional clients to vote their shares. Previously, Ms. Burt was the Global COO and lead business strategist of Fixed Income and Sustainable ETFs within the ETF and Index Investments business. During her tenure she led strategic initiatives to grow the adjacent marketplace to Fixed Income ETFs. Just prior to her time in the ETF and Index Investment business, Ms. Burt was the Global COO of the Trading and Liquidity Strategies team as well as the Investment Platform unit. Her work spanned across trading, securities lending, cash and cross-platform strategic initiatives within the Investment

Platform umbrella. Ms. Burt was a member of BlackRock's Platform and Innovation team responsible for the Americas Corporate and Risk practice area. She specifically focused on reshaping, leading, and implementing regulatory change across the firm (i.e. Money Market Fund Reform, the Volcker legislation, and Central Clearing of derivatives under Title VII of the Dodd Frank Act). Prior to joining BlackRock in 2005, Ms. Burt was part of the Analytics department at Bloomberg, LP where she focused on CDS and MBS product builds and client training. Ms. Burt earned a BBA in Finance from The College of William and Mary with a minor in Government.



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### WILLIAM BURT '00

## CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER

#### GALAXY ASSET MANAGEMENT

William Burt is the Chief Operating Officer of Asset Management overseeing day-to-day operations. Prior to joining Galaxy, William was a Managing Director and Chief Operating Officer of the Portfolio Solutions group at Blackstone Alternative Asset Management. He was also actively involved in performing non-investment due diligence on underlying hedge fund and direct investments. Prior to joining Blackstone in 2011, William worked at McKinsey & Company, advising clients on strategic and organizational issues with a focus on operations and cost savings. Earlier in his career, William worked at Arthur Andersen LLP in the Assurance and Business Advisory practice. He received a BBA in Accounting from the College of William and Mary, where he graduated with distinction and an MBA from the Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth.