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EXPERIENCE:

BlackRock, Inc., New York, NY

August 2014-Present

Chief Investment Officer, US Fundamental Equities, May 2016-Present

Member of Global Operating Committee, January 2018-Present

Member of Active Equity and Fundamental Equities Executive Committees, September 2016-Present

Lead Portfolio Manager of Equity Dividend Franchise, August 2014-Present

- CIO of US Fundamental Equities, overseeing portfolio managers and investment teams responsible for approximately \$100B of growth, core, income and value assets as well as equity derivatives
- As lead Portfolio Manager on Equity Dividend Franchise manage the BlackRock Equity Dividend Fund, High Equity Income Fund, Midcap Equity Dividend, and Sustainable Value Funds

Cornell University, Ithaca, NY

January 2022-June 2022

Visiting Lecturer

Class entitled "Topics in ESG Investing"

Pzena Investment Management, New York, NY

September 1996-June 2014

Managing Principal, April 2009-June 2014

Principal, March 2000-April 2009

Portfolio Manager, January 2000-June 2014

Sr. Research Analyst, September 1996-January 2000

- Executive Officer of Pzena Investment Management (public company) and one of 5 Managing Principals
- Responsible for oversight of all aspects of firm management, with particular focus on investments, marketing, client service, legal and internal audit
- Portfolio Manager of Small Cap Value Fund (2000-2005), Large Cap Value Fund (2005-2014), Value Fund (2009-2014), All Cap Value Fund (2011-2014), Expanded Large Cap Value (2012 Inception-2014) and Equity Long Short Funds (2013-2014)
- Portfolio Manager on Vanguard Windsor I and John Hancock Classic Value
- Led the founding of the firm's small cap and long-short strategies

Ropes & Gray, Boston, MA

October 1993-August 1996

Attorney, Corporate Department

- Experience in M&A, IPOs, general corporate advice, mutual fund regulation

EDUCATION:

Harvard Law School, Cambridge, MA

J.D., *magna cum laude*, 1993

- Manager of the Harvard Law Record
- Law Clerk to the Honorable Marianne Bowler

University of Pennsylvania, The Wharton School, Philadelphia, PA

B.S. in Economics, Concentration in Finance, *summa cum laude*, 1990

- Phi Beta Kappa

PUBLIC APPEARANCES:

- Guest lecturer at Columbia and Cornell Business Schools
- Regular television appearances on CNBC and Bloomberg TV
- Quoted in numerous publications including Barron's, Forbes, Investor Business Daily, Kiplinger's The New York Times, and The Wall Street Journal among others.

SKILLS:

- Investing, Thought Leadership, Data Innovation, Client Management, People Leadership, Business Management, and Entrepreneurship