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Joan Werner, Director of Marketing and Client Services, Ramius LLC

Joan Werner is Director of Marketing and Client Services for Ramius LLC which is an independent alternative investments firm. Prior to joining Ramius, she was Director of Marketing for CSFB Volaris Advisors (formerly Volaris Advisors) which was an independent investment advisory firm specializing in volatility management.

Joan was also Director of Alternative Investments Marketing (Hedge Funds, Private Equity, Managed Futures & Exchange Funds) at Merrill Lynch Investment Managers responsible for marketing communications, research, new product development and educational programs for the Financial Advisors. She has previously held positions at Bear Stearns Asset Management and at Prudential Financial in the investment management, private placement and insurance areas.

Joan has an MBA from Columbia Business School and a BBA from The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania. She currently serves on the Philanthropy Committee and is a Founding Board Member for the Professional Association For Investment Communications Resources (PAICR). She has also been an Adjunct Professor in Marketing at The College of New Jersey.

Novisi Atadika, Vice President, Fortress Investment Group

Novisi Atadika is a Vice President at Fortress Investment Group and primarily makes investments in private equity and real asset funds and co-investments for the Fortress Partners Fund in New York. Prior to joining Fortress, Ms. Atadika worked at Partners Group in the Private Equity Investment Management practice in Switzerland and New York. Prior to that she also worked at Lincolnshire Management investing in leveraged buyouts and at CSFB focused on energy-related M&A. Ms. Atadika has an MBA from Stanford University's Graduate School of Business and a BA from Harvard College.

Marta Cotton, Director for Investment Management Business Development, Gerson Lehrman Group

Marta Cotton is a Director for Investment Management Business Development at Gerson Lehrman Group, the world's leading expert network firm. She joined Gerson Lehrman Group in 2008 in this senior business development role working with the firm's key asset management clients. Marta is a former Goldman Sachs Managing Director who spent 15 years in Institutional Equity Sales in both the Chicago and New York offices. She ran the International Equities business in Chicago and was responsible for some of the firm's key mutual fund and hedge fund relationships in both New York and Chicago. She has an MBA from the University of Chicago and a BS from the University of Florida. She currently resides in Manhattan with her husband.

Tanya Ghaleb-Harter, Director, Alternative Investments, Merrill Lynch

Tanya is a senior research analyst for the external fund of hedge funds business at Merrill Lynch. Previously, she worked at Deutsche Bank as a portfolio manager and senior analyst for a multi-billion-dollar, fund of hedge fund business. In this role, she ran multi-strategy and emerging manager portfolios, and she led due diligence efforts for global macro, commodity and quantitative equity hedge funds. Tanya also served as head of quantitative portfolio analysis for the group, where she developed optimization models for hedge fund portfolios, and performance attribution models to evaluate profit contribution from asset allocation versus manager selection. She began her career at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York in the Research and Market Analysis Group. Tanya has written and co-authored articles appearing in professional journals and educational publications, including the Journal of Wealth Management and the Journal of Private Equity. She holds a BA (Phi Beta Kappa) in economics and an MBA in finance from Cornell University.

Vanessa Mortillaro, Financial Analyst, Morgan Stanley

Vanessa Mortillaro is a Financial Analyst at Morgan Stanley. She joined the firm in January 2008 after graduating with a B.A. in Finance and concentrations in Economics and Spanish from the College of Business Administration at Fordham University. Vanessa is responsible for the accounting and reporting functions of several firm wide compensation and benefit plans, as well as the tracking and accounting of the plans' underlying portfolio investments.

Vanessa is actively involved with mentoring young women at Girl's Quest NYC, and sits on its Young Professionals Committee. Vanessa will be starting her MBA in Global Finance Management in the Fall 2009 at Kean University.

Anna Shtromberg, Director of Proprietary Credit Trading, National Australia Bank

Anna Shtromberg is Director of proprietary credit trading at National Australia Bank. Previously, Anna was a Credit Trader on the Proprietary Credit Desk for Natixis Capital Markets, globally diversified firm in offices in New York, Paris and London, for 4 years. Prior to that Anna worked for 3 years in a Risk Management at Natixis, responsible for analyzing the fixed income side of the capital markets. Early in her financial services career, Anna was a senior analyst at HSBC Securities in the Risk Management department working on fixed income products.

Anna is a CPA as well as a CFA charterholder and graduated with honors from Pace University with BA degree in Public Accounting.

Martha Tuttle, CFA

Martha Tuttle, CFA is a high yield bond and leverage loan analyst/portfolio manager. She formerly worked at Prudential Financial for 22 years where she was a SVP/Principal and managed $1.6B in leverage loan assets in the Leveraged Bank Loan Group. In more than two decades of investment experience, Martha covered a variety of sectors including utilities, steel, healthcare and gaming, with a focus on chemicals, energy, packaging, and paper/forest products industries. She joined Prudential Financial in 1987. Prior to that, she worked as Vice President for four years at L.F. Rothschild, Unterberg, Towbin as a municipal bond analyst and at Manufacturer's Hanover Trust company n/k/a JPMorgan for four years as an Assistant Trust Officer.

Martha received a BA from Rutgers University, Douglass College and an MBA-Finance from Rutgers University. She holds the Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) designation.