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Speakers:

Bradley Lerman, Executive Vice President, General Counsel, and Corporate Secretary of Fannie Mae
Benjamin F. Wilson, Managing Principal of Beveridge & Diamond, P.C.



BRADLEY LERMAN is Fannie Mae's Executive Vice President, General Counsel, and Corporate Secretary. Lerman oversees the Legal Department and Government and Industry Relations. He serves as a senior advisor to the chief executive officer and the Board of Directors.

Prior to joining Fannie Mae in October 2012, Lerman was senior vice president, and chief litigation counsel at Pfizer, Inc., where he was responsible for leading the company's product and commercial litigation, government investigations, and patent litigation teams. He had responsibilities for Pfizer's Discovery Response Team, civil and criminal justice reform program, and the Pfizer Legal Alliance program.

Previously, Lerman was a partner at Winston & Strawn and co-chair of that firm's white collar defense practice group. He concentrated his practice in financial and products liability litigation, as well as white collar defense. Lerman also previously served as an assistant U.S. attorney in the Northern District of Illinois from 1986 to 1994, holding various supervisory positions in the white collar prosecution divisions.

Lerman has a juris doctorate from Harvard Law School and a bachelor's degree in economics from Yale University.



BENJAMIN F. WILSON is Managing Principal of Beveridge & Diamond, P.C., a 100-lawyer firm focused on environmental, sustainability, and natural resource law and litigation. He serves as lead counsel in several complex litigation matters for major corporations and developers, and represents cities and local government agencies on Clean Water Act enforcement, wetlands development, Superfund, and Environmental Justice matters.

An ardent advocate for diversity and inclusion, Wilson received a 2014 Spirit of Excellence Award from the American Bar Association (ABA) Commission on Racial and Ethnic Diversity in the Profession, and a 2013 Dedication to Diversity and Justice Award from the ABA Section of Environment, Energy, and Resources. In 2012 and 2013, Wilson was named as a Top 100 Black Attorney by *On Being A Black Lawyer*. In 2012, Wilson established the African American General Counsel and Managing Partners Network. In 2008, Wilson founded the Diverse Partners Network.

Wilson graduated *magna cum laude* and Phi Beta Kappa from Dartmouth College (A.B., History, 1973) and from Harvard Law School (J.D., 1976). He serves on the Board of Directors of the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company and on the Board of Trustees of Dartmouth College. He is also an Adjunct Professor in Environmental Law at the Howard University School of Law.