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Executive Director and Chief Economist, Washington Center for Equitable Growth

Heather Boushey is Executive Director and Chief Economist at the Washington Center for Equitable Growth and co-editor of a volume of 22 essays about how to integrate inequality into economic thinking, *After Piketty: The Agenda for Economics and Inequality*. Her research focuses on economic inequality and public policy, specifically employment, social policy, and family economic well-being, and her latest book is *Finding Time: The Economics of Work-Life Conflict* from Harvard University Press. *The New York Times* has called Boushey one of the “most vibrant voices in the field” and *Politico* twice named her one of the top 50 “thinkers, doers and visionaries transforming American politics.”

Boushey writes regularly for popular media, including *The New York Times*’ Room for Debate, *The Atlantic*, and *Democracy*; and she makes frequent television appearances on Bloomberg, MSNBC, CNBC, and PBS. She previously served as Chief Economist for Hillary Clinton’s transition team, and as an economist for the Center for American Progress, the Joint Economic Committee of the U.S. Congress, the Center for Economic and Policy Research, and the Economic Policy Institute. She sits on the board of the Opportunity Institute and is an Associate Editor of *Feminist Economics*. She received her PhD. in economics from the New School for Social Research and her BA from Hampshire College.

TERRY DINAN

Senior Advisor, Congressional Budget Office

Terry Dinan is a senior adviser at the Congressional Budget Office. She has written about a variety of environmental, energy, and budgetary issues, including the financial soundness of the National Flood Insurance Program, the budgetary effects of climate change, the costs and effects of policies aimed at subsidizing energy sources and technologies, the design of climate-change policies and their implications for households and businesses in the United States, and the costs and consequences of renewable-fuel standards and fuel-economy standards. She has testified before the Congress on those topics, published in a variety of professional journals, served as an associate editor for the *Journal of Environmental Economics and Management*, and served on the board of the Association of Environmental and Resource Economists. She has a PhD in economics from Iowa State University. Before joining CBO, she worked at the Environmental Protection Agency and at Oak Ridge National Laboratory.

ROBERT DOAR

Morgridge Fellow in Poverty Studies, American Enterprise Institute

Robert Doar is the Morgridge Fellow in Poverty Studies at the American Enterprise Institute (AEI), where his research focuses on how improved federal and state anti-poverty policies and safety net programs can reduce poverty, connect individuals to work, strengthen families, and increase opportunities for low-income Americans and their children.

While at AEI, Mr. Doar has served as a co-chair of the National Commission on Hunger and as a lead member of the AEI-Brookings Working Group on Poverty and Opportunity, which published the report titled "Opportunity, Responsibility, and Security: A Consensus Plan for Reducing Poverty and Restoring the American Dream." He is also the editor of "A Safety Net That Works: Improving Federal Programs for Low-Income Americans," an AEI publication in which experts discuss major federal public assistance programs and offer proposals for reform.

Before joining AEI, he worked for Mayor Michael Bloomberg as commissioner of New York City's Human Resources Administration. While administering 12 public assistance programs, including cash welfare, food assistance, public health insurance, child support enforcement services, and others, he oversaw a 25 percent reduction in the city's welfare caseload. Before joining the Bloomberg administration, he was commissioner of social services for the state of New York, where he helped to make the state a model for the implementation of welfare reform.

Mr. Doar has testified numerous times before Congress, and his writing has appeared in *The Wall Street Journal*, *USA Today*, *The Hill*, and *National Review*, among other publications.

Mr. Doar has a bachelor's degree in history from Princeton University.

SENATOR JEFF FLAKE

(R-AZ) Member, Committee on the Judiciary; Member, Committee on Energy and Natural Resources; Member, Committee on Foreign Relations

Senator Jeff Flake is a fifth-generation Arizonan who was raised on a cattle ranch in Snowflake, Arizona. Snowflake was named in part for Senator Flake's great-great grandfather.

Prior to his election to the U.S. Senate, Jeff served in the U.S. House of Representatives from 2001–2013 representing the East Valley.

As a member of the U.S. Senate, Jeff sits on the Judiciary Committee where he also serves as chairman of the Subcommittee on Privacy, Technology and the Law, the Energy and Natural Resources Committee where he also serves as chairman of the Subcommittee on Water and Power, and the Foreign Relations Committee where he also serves as chairman of the Subcommittee on African Affairs.

After serving a Mormon mission in southern Africa, Jeff graduated from Brigham Young University, where he received a BA in International Relations and an MA in Political Science.

In 1987, Jeff started his career at a Washington, D.C. public affairs firm, but soon returned to Africa as Executive Director of the Foundation for Democracy in Namibia. In this role, Senator Flake helped monitor Namibia's independence process and saw that nation usher in freedom and democracy.

In 1992, Jeff and his family moved back to Arizona where he was named Executive Director of the

Goldwater Institute. In this role, Jeff worked to promote a conservative philosophy of less government, more freedom, and individual responsibility.

Jeff and his wife, Cheryl, live in Mesa and have five children.

SIMON JOHNSON

Ronald A. Kurtz (1954) Professor of Entrepreneurship, MIT Sloan School of Management

Simon Johnson is the Ronald A. Kurtz (1954) Professor of Entrepreneurship at the MIT Sloan School of Management, where he is also head of the Global Economics and Management group and chair of the Sloan Fellows MBA Program Committee. He co-founded and currently leads the popular Global Entrepreneurship Lab (G-Lab) course—over the past 16 years, MBA students in G-Lab have worked on more than 500 projects with start-up companies around the world.

He also works closely with Joi Ito, head of MIT's Media Lab, on the Digital Currency Initiative (DCI). Specifically, Johnson supervises research projects related to blockchain technology, and teaches a course (with Michael Casey and Brian Forde) on this fast developing business sector. Johnson is not an investor in bitcoin or any bitcoin-related startups, but he works closely with MIT students and others who want to build better companies.

Johnson is a senior fellow at the Peterson Institute for International Economics in Washington, D.C., a co-founder of BaselineScenario.com, and a member since inception of the FDIC's Systemic Resolution Advisory Committee. In July 2014, Johnson joined the Financial Research Advisory Committee of the U.S. Treasury's Office of Financial Research (OFR); he chairs the recently formed Global Vulnerabilities Working Group.

Johnson holds a BA in economics and politics from the University of Oxford, an MA in economics from the University of Manchester, and a PhD in economics from MIT.

REPRESENTATIVE DEREK KILMER

[D-WA] Member, Problem Solvers Caucus; Vice Ranking Member, U.S. House Committee on Appropriations; Member, Joint Select Committee on Budget and Appropriations Process Reform; Vice Chair, New Democrat Coalition

Rep. Derek Kilmer represents Washington's 6th Congressional District. Prior to joining Congress, he worked as a consultant for McKinsey & Co and spent a decade working in economic development in Tacoma, Washington. His business background shaped his views on the importance of improving the nation's fiscal health. As a member of the New Democrat Coalition, Bipartisan Working Group, and Problem Solvers Caucus, he has worked with members from both parties to fix Congress's broken budgeting process. He is the co-chair of the Bipartisan Working Group, which is dedicated to addressing the nation's fiscal challenges. With the group's co-chair, he co-wrote the Fiscal State of the Nation Resolution, which would require the Comptroller General to address a joint session of Congress on the nation's fiscal health to raise awareness of the issue. He is a member of the House Committee on Appropriations, and was recently appointed to the Joint Select Committee on Budget and Appropriations Process Reform, a bipartisan, bicameral committee tasked with fixing Congress' broken budgeting and appropriations system to prevent future government shutdowns.

MARK HUGO LOPEZ

Director of Global Migration and Demography, Pew Research Center

Mark Hugo Lopez is director of Global Migration and Demography at Pew Research Center. He studies the attitudes and opinions of Latinos, Hispanic views of identity, the political engagement of Latinos in the nation's elections, and Latino youth. Lopez also coordinates the Center's National Survey of Latinos, an annual nationwide survey of Hispanics. He was the research director of the Center for Information and Research on Civic Learning and Engagement (CIRCLE) as well as a research assistant professor at the School of Public Policy at the University of Maryland. Lopez received his doctorate in economics from Princeton University. He is an author of reports about the Hispanic electorate, Hispanic identity, and immigration. Lopez frequently appears in national and international media in both Spanish and English.

APARNA MATHUR

Resident Scholar in Economic Policy, American Enterprise Institute

Aparna Mathur is a resident scholar in economic policy studies at the American Enterprise Institute (AEI), where she researches income inequality and mobility, tax policy, labor markets, and small businesses. She also directs the AEI-Brookings Project on Paid Family and Medical Leave, for which she was recognized in the 2017 Politico 50 list.

Before joining AEI, Dr. Mathur taught economics at the University of Maryland and was an adjunct professor at Georgetown University's School of Public Policy (now the McCourt School of Public Policy).

Dr. Mathur has been published in several top scholarly journals and in the popular press on issues of policy relevance. Her work has been cited in academic journals and leading news outlets such as *Bloomberg Businessweek*, *Financial Times*, *The Economist*, and *The Wall Street Journal*. She has also testified several times before Congress, and government organizations such as the Congressional Research Service and the Congressional Budget Office have cited her work in their own reports to Congress.

The holder of a PhD and an MA in economics from the University of Maryland, College Park, Dr. Mathur also has an MA in economics from the Delhi School of Economics and a BA from Hindu College at Delhi University in India.

ERNEST J. MONIZ

Co-Chair and Chief Executive Officer, Nuclear Threat Initiative; Chief Executive Officer, Energy Futures Initiative; Former U.S. Secretary of Energy (2013–2017)

Ernest J. Moniz is Co-Chair and Chief Executive Officer of the Nuclear Threat Initiative. He served as U.S. Secretary of Energy from 2013–2017 and previously served as Department of Energy (DOE) Under Secretary from 1997–2001.

As Secretary, Moniz advanced energy technology innovation, nuclear security and strategic stability, cutting-edge capabilities for the American scientific research community, and environmental stewardship. He strengthened the DOE strategic partnership with its seventeen national laboratories and with the Department of Defense and the broader national security establishment. He was a member of the President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology and of the Defense Threat Reduction Advisory Committee from 2009 to 2013, and he served on the Blue Ribbon Commission on America's Nuclear Future that provided advice to the President and the Secretary of Energy.

From 1973 through 2013, Moniz served on the Massachusetts Institute of Technology faculty and is now the Cecil and Ida Green Professor of Physics and Engineering Systems emeritus and Special Advisor to the MIT President. At MIT, Moniz also was Head of the Department of Physics during 1991–1995 and 1997 and Director of the Bates Linear Accelerator Center from 1983–1991.

He is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and of the International Advisory Board of the Atlantic Council, and he is a non-resident senior fellow at the Harvard Belfer Center. Among other awards, he is the recipient of the Distinguished Public Service Medals of the Department of Defense and of the Navy. Moniz also is CEO of the non-profit Energy Futures Initiative.

ADELE MORRIS

Senior Fellow and Policy Director of Climate and Energy Economics Project, Brookings Institution

Adele Morris is a senior fellow and policy director for Climate and Energy Economics at the Brookings Institution. Her research informs critical decisions related to climate change, energy, and tax policy. She is a leading global expert on the design of carbon pricing policies.

She joined Brookings in July 2008 from the Joint Economic Committee (JEC) of the U.S. Congress, where she advised members and staff on economic, energy, and environmental policy. Before her work in Congress, Morris was the lead natural resource economist for the U.S. Treasury Department for nine years. In that position, she informed and represented Treasury's positions on agriculture, energy, climate, and radio spectrum policies. On assignment to the U.S. Department of State in 2000, she led negotiations on land use and forestry issues in the international climate change treaty process. Prior to joining the Treasury, she served as the senior economist for environmental affairs at the President's Council of Economic Advisers during the development of the Kyoto Protocol. Morris began her career at the Office of Management and Budget, where she oversaw rulemaking by agriculture and natural resource agencies. She holds a PhD in economics from Princeton University, an MS in mathematics from the University of Utah, and a BA from Rice University.

DEANNA MULLIGAN

President and Chief Executive Officer, The Guardian Life Insurance Company of America

Deanna M. Mulligan is President and Chief Executive Officer of the Guardian Life Insurance Company of America (Guardian). She is also a member of Guardian's board of directors.

Active across the industry and in the community, Ms. Mulligan is a Board member of Vanguard, the American Council of Life Insurers (ACLI), the New York Department of Financial Services State Insurance Advisory Board, the Partnership for New York City, the Economic Club of New York, the Committee Encouraging Corporate Philanthropy (CECP), and the Bruce Museum in Greenwich, Connecticut. Ms. Mulligan was appointed to, and served on, the President's Advisory Council on Financial Capability for Young Americans from 2014 to 2015, and was Chair of the Board of the ACLI from 2015 to 2016. She is currently a member of the Stanford Graduate School of Business Advisory Council, and served as Director on the Board of Arch Capital, a publicly-held Bermuda-based re-insurer.

In 2017, *Fortune* named her one of the "50 Most Powerful Women in Business" and *Crain's New York Business* recognized her as one of the "50 Most Powerful Women in New York" for the fourth time since 2010.

Ms. Mulligan graduated from the University of Nebraska with high distinction and holds an MBA from the Stanford Graduate School of Business.

HOUSE DEMOCRATIC LEADER NANCY PELOSI

(D-CA)

Nancy Pelosi is the Democratic Leader of the House of Representatives in the 115th Congress. From 2007 to 2011, she served as the first woman Speaker of the House. Leader Pelosi has led House Democrats for 15 years and has represented San Francisco, California's 12th District, for 30 years. As House Democratic Leader, Pelosi is fighting for bigger paychecks and better infrastructure for America's middle class families. In 2013, she was inducted into the National Women's Hall of Fame at a ceremony in Seneca Falls, the birthplace of the American women's rights movement.

Under Pelosi's leadership, the 111th Congress was heralded as "one of the most productive Congresses in history" by Congressional scholar Norman Ornstein.

Pelosi brings to her leadership position a distinguished record of legislative accomplishment. Pelosi spearheaded passage of historic health insurance reform legislation in the House which establishes a Patients' Bill of Rights and will provide insurance for tens of millions more Americans while lowering health care costs over the long term. Other accomplishments include the passage of historic investments in college aid, clean energy and innovation, and initiatives to help small businesses and veterans. She has been a powerful voice for civil rights and human rights around the world for decades.

Pelosi comes from strong family tradition of public service in Baltimore. Married to Paul Pelosi, she is a mother of five and grandmother of nine.

SENATOR DAVID PERDUE

(R-GA) Member, U.S. Senate Committee on the Budget; Member, Joint Select Committee on Budget and Appropriations Process Reform

David Perdue is the junior Senator from Georgia. David is the only Fortune 500 CEO in Congress and has over 40 years of business experience as the former CEO of Reebok athletic brand and Dollar General stores, where he created thousands of quality jobs and helped working families make it from payday to payday.

David was born in Macon, Georgia, and raised in Warner Robins where he grew up working on his family farm. Both of David's parents were school teachers, and from an early age David was taught the importance of hard work and a good education.

At Georgia Tech, David earned a degree in industrial engineering and a master's in operations research while working warehouse and construction jobs. After graduating, he married his wife Bonnie, whom he had met in the first grade, and they have been married for 44 years.

Prior to his decisive election to the U.S. Senate in 2014, David had never held public office and was inspired to shake up Washington and change the direction of our country. David is a champion for term limits for politicians, reining in out-of-control spending, growing the economy, and tackling our nation's debt crisis. In 2016, David was an early supporter of President Donald J. Trump and continues to be one of the President's closest allies in the U.S. Senate.

For the 115th Congress, David serves on the Armed Services Committee; Banking Committee; Agriculture Committee; and Budget Committee. His role on these powerful committees puts him at the intersection of solving our national debt crisis and global security crisis.

David and Bonnie live in Glynn County, Georgia and attend Wesley United Methodist Church. They have two sons and three grandsons, who are their inspiration for coming to the U.S. Senate.

STEVEN RATTNER

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Willett Advisors LLC

Steven Rattner is Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Willett Advisors LLC, which manages the personal and philanthropic investment assets of Michael R. Bloomberg. In addition, he is a contributing writer for the Op-Ed page of *The New York Times* and an economic analyst for MSNBC's Morning Joe.

Previously, Mr. Rattner served as Counselor to the Secretary of the Treasury and led the Obama Administration's successful effort to restructure the automobile industry, which he chronicled in his book, *Overhaul: An Insider's Account of the Obama Administration's Emergency Rescue of the Auto Industry*.

Until February 2009, Mr. Rattner was Managing Principal of Quadrangle Group LLC, a private investment firm that under his leadership, had more than \$6 billion of assets under management. Before forming Quadrangle in 2000, Mr. Rattner was with Lazard Frères & Co., where he served as Deputy Chairman and Deputy Chief Executive Officer. Mr. Rattner joined Lazard Frères in 1989 as a General Partner from Morgan Stanley, where he was a managing director. Before beginning his investment banking career in 1982 with Lehman Brothers, Mr. Rattner was employed by *The New York Times* for nearly nine years, principally as an economic correspondent in New York, Washington, and London.

Mr. Rattner has served as a board member or trustee of a number of public and philanthropic organizations including the Educational Broadcasting Corporation (Chairman), Metropolitan Museum of Art, Brown University (Fellow), Mayor's Fund to Advance New York City (Chairman), Brookings Institution, and the New America Foundation. He is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. Mr. Rattner graduated in 1974 from Brown University with honors in economics and was awarded the Harvey Baker Fellowship. Mr. Rattner is married to Maureen White, who is a Senior Fellow at the John Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies, and they have four children.

REPRESENTATIVE TOM REED

(R-NY) Co-chair, Problem Solvers Caucus; Member, U.S. House Committee on Ways and Means

Rep. Tom Reed currently represents New York's 23rd District. As a member of the Ways and Means Committee, Tom assisted with reforming our broken tax code and passed historic tax cuts for American workers and businesses. The committee is responsible for addressing issues of tax policy trade, health care, and Social Security. Congressman Reed sits on the Trade, Health, and Human Resources subcommittees. He serves as Co-Chair of the Congressional Diabetes Caucus, the House Manufacturing Caucus, and the Problem Solvers Caucus. Congressman Reed remains committed to championing job creation by tackling our national debt, reducing burdensome regulations on small businesses, and developing an "all of the above" energy policy.

DAVID WESSEL

Director, The Hutchins Center on Fiscal and Monetary Policy, Brookings Institution;
Contributing Correspondent, *The Wall Street Journal*

David Wessel is a senior fellow in Economic Studies at Brookings and director of the Hutchins Center on Fiscal and Monetary Policy, the mission of which is to improve the quality of fiscal and monetary policies and public understanding of them. He joined Brookings in December 2013 after 30 years on the staff of *The Wall Street Journal*, where, most recently, he was economics editor and wrote the weekly Capital column. He is a contributing correspondent to *The Wall Street Journal*, appears frequently on NPR's *Morning Edition* and tweets often at @davidmwessel.

David is the author of two New York Times best-sellers: *In Fed We Trust: Ben Bernanke's War on the Great Panic* (2009) and *Red Ink: Inside the High Stakes Politics of the Federal Budget* (2012.) He has shared two Pulitzer Prizes, one in 1984 for a Boston Globe series on the persistence of racism in Boston and the other in 2003 for *Wall Street Journal* stories on corporate scandals. David is a member of the Bureau of Labor Statistics' Data Users Advisory Committee. He teaches in the Dartmouth Tuck School of Business Global 2030 executive education program and has been a visiting journalism professor at Princeton University.

A native of New Haven, Connecticut, and a product of its public schools, David is a 1975 graduate of Haverford College. He was a Knight-Bagehot Fellow in Business and Economics Journalism at Columbia University in 1980–81.

David has received honoraria for speaking from NMS Management and Nomura Securities International Inc.

MODERATOR BIOGRAPHIES

KIMBERLY ADAMS

Senior Reporter, *Marketplace*

Kimberly Adams covers the intersection of politics and the economy for Marketplace from the Washington, D.C. Bureau, and is a fill-in host for Marketplace Morning Report, Marketplace Tech, and Marketplace Weekend. Her recent coverage areas have included the development and passage of the tax law, as well as other economic shifts under the Trump administration.

Before moving to D.C., Kimberly reported on the political, social, and economic upheaval in Egypt following the Arab Spring as a freelance journalist based in Cairo. While reporting in Cairo, she received awards from the National Association of Black Journalists, the Religion Communicators Council, the Association for Women in Communication, and the International Women's Media Foundation. Prior to freelancing, Kimberly worked as a producer for NPR from the D.C. headquarters, covering politics, culture, and breaking news.

Kimberly currently serves on the Board of Governors for the National Press Club, as well as the board of Community Crisis Services, Inc. of Prince George's County. She holds degrees in journalism and political science from the University of Missouri-Columbia and a graduate diploma in political science from the American University in Cairo.

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GREG IP

Chief Economics Commentator, *The Wall Street Journal*

Greg Ip is chief economics commentator for *The Wall Street Journal*. He writes about U.S. and global economic developments and policy in the weekly Capital Account column and on Real Time Economics, the *Wall Street Journal's* economics blog. He was previously U.S. economics editor for *The Economist*. Greg comments regularly on television and radio, including CNBC, National Public Radio, and the PBS *Newshour*. Greg has won or shared in several prizes for journalism. He is the author of *The Little Book of Economics: How the Economy Works in the Real World* (Wiley, 2010) and *Foolproof: Why Safety Can Be Dangerous and How Danger Makes Us Safe*, (Little, Brown, 2015). A native of Canada, Mr. Ip received a bachelor's degree in economics and journalism from Carleton University in Ottawa, Ontario.

JIM TANKERSLEY

Tax and Economics Reporter, *The New York Times*

Jim comes to *The New York Times* from Vox, where he edited the policy and politics team, including coverage of the economy, health care, immigration, Congress and the White House. Before that he spent four years at *The Washington Post* as the paper's economic policy correspondent, and three years in a similar role at *National Journal*.

Jim has written extensively about the stagnation of the American middle class, the decline of economic opportunity in wide swaths of the country and how policy changes in Washington have exacerbated those trends over the past few decades.

Jim came to Washington 10 years ago to join the D.C. bureau of the *Chicago Tribune*, where he covered Congress and the 2008 presidential campaign. He started his career with stints at *The Oregonian*, *The Rocky Mountain News*, and *The Toledo Blade*, primarily covering politics. At *The Blade* he was a member of the Coingate team that was a Pulitzer Prize finalist. He and a *Blade* colleague won the 2007 Livingston Award for Young Journalists for a series of stories demonstrating how and why the Ohio economy declined so dramatically over the course of a generation.

A native of McMinnville, OR, Jim is a Stanford graduate and an avid camper and backpacker. He lives in Alexandria, VA, with his 11-year-old son, Max.

ERICA WERNER

Congressional Reporter, *The Washington Post*

Erica Werner covers Congress with a focus on economic policy for the *Washington Post*. Before joining the *Post* in the fall of 2017, she worked for more than 17 years for the Associated Press, starting as a temporary hire in the Los Angeles bureau and going on to cover the White House and Capitol Hill. She began her career as a journalist at the *Arkansas Democrat-Gazette* in Little Rock, Arkansas.

Werner graduated from Harvard University with a degree in Romance Languages and Literature. She lives in Washington with her husband, Bill, and two young daughters.