



ACG DETROIT ELECTS DANIELLE BASS AS PRESIDENT OF ITS BOARD OF DIRECTORS Bass brings extensive legal expertise to the 400+ member middle-market organization as the chapter's first female president

**DETROIT**, August 28, 2023 — ACG Detroit, a 400-member nonprofit business organization of middle-market M&A professionals that invest in middle-market companies, has elected Danielle Bass of Franklin as president of its chapter.

Bass, the first female president elected since the chapter was founded in 1984, will serve a twoyear term on the ACG Detroit board of directors, effective September 1, 2023. Additionally, Bass is the global organization's youngest female president elected across its 59 chapters worldwide. The chapter is also welcoming two new additional members to its board. Ben Smith, shareholder, consulting at Clayton & McKervey will join the board as treasurer. Kevin McCarron, managing director at Marsh, will join as sponsorship chair.

"As a longtime member of ACG Detroit, I have witnessed firsthand the transformative collaboration and strategic partnerships that this organization helps develop," said Bass. "Our chapter is made up of an extremely distinguished group of professionals and I look forward to collaborating with them and board members to make a lasting impact on the Detroit business community."

As a partner at Honigman LLP, Bass's practice is focused on transactional matters involving information technology, intellectual property, data, media and entertainment, with an emphasis on commercial transactions. Outside of the office, Bass plays a key role in shaping the next generation of transactional attorneys — teaching a one-of-a-kind practical course she developed at the University of Michigan Law School and the University of Chicago Law School.

Bass became a member of ACG Detroit in 2015 and has served on the organization's board of directors for six years, most recently as vice president. In addition to her involvement with ACG Detroit, Bass is also active in the community and undertakes many pro bono matters, including acting as general counsel to a local non-profit organization and as a volunteer mediator for The Eastern District of Michigan's Early Mediation Program.

A two-time graduate of the University of Michigan, Bass earned her bachelor's degree in women's studies, history and social work in 2011 and her Juris Doctorate from the university's law school in 2015. Bass is admitted to the State Bar of Michigan.

For more information, visit <u>www.acgdetroit.org</u>.

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## About ACG Detroit

Established in 1984, ACG Detroit facilitates various business meetings and networking events for members across the metro Detroit area to drive middle-market growth. ACG Detroit was named Chapter of the Year in 2015 and 2016. To learn more, visit <u>www.acg.org/detroit</u>.

## About the Association for Corporate Growth

Founded in 1954, ACG is the premier M&A dealmaking community with a mission of driving middle-market growth. ACG's global network operates within 61 local markets worldwide and comprises more than 100,000 middle-market professionals who invest in, own and advise growing companies. Learn more about ACG and become a member at <u>www.acg.org</u>.