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Opening remarks: Clint Vince, Chair of the US Energy practice, Co-chair of the Global Transportation & Infrastructure sector for the US Region, and Co-chair of the Global Smart Cities & Connected Communities Think Tank. Dentons



Moderator: Linda Willard, Counsel, Energy practice and Executive Director of the Global Smart Cities & Connected Communities Think Tank, Dentons



Ryan Miller
Executive Regional
Director, Cushman &
Wakefield
Panelist

Ryan Miller serves as Executive Regional Director of the mid Atlantic region, which is comprised of the DC Metro, Baltimore, North Carolina and South Carolina markets. In this role, Ryan is responsible for optimizing operational and financial performance, and supporting the organization's occupier and investor clients through the thoughtful alignment and integration of complementary disciplines and resources across the enterprise.

Previously, Ryan led Newmark's Mid-Atlantic region, working collaboratively with the company's regional professionals and global leadership team to create value for clients and drive sustained growth for the region. Prior to Newmark, Ryan served as managing director in CBRE's Global Workplace Solutions group, leading portfolio optimization and strategic transaction leadership for a global Fortune 500 technology company.

Over his career, Ryan has represented a diverse range of companies, from established global corporations and professional services firms to leading investors and owners of trophy-class office buildings in hundreds of transactions with a combined value of over \$500 million.

Ryan lives in McLean, Virginia with his wife and three children. He is actively involved in numerous charitable, civic and business organizations throughout the Washington, DC area.



Rebecca Rockey
Deputy Chief Economist
and Global Head of
Forecasting,
Cushman & Wakefield

Panelist

Rebecca is the Deputy Chief Economist and Global Head of Forecasting at Cushman & Wakefield. In her decade at the firm, her responsibilities have evolved significantly. Her focus spans economics, demographics, financial markets and commercial real estate—both at the macro and micro levels. She manages the production of national/metro-level commercial real estate forecasts for various property types across the Americas, develops predictive econometric and statistical models to enhance the firms' analytical capabilities and contributes to numerous white papers, webinars, media requests and industry/client presentations. In her global role, she extends this expertise to other regions. More recently, she has become a strategic internal and external advisor across service lines and regions, connecting research themes to actionable and tactical views on the market.

She is certified by the International Institute of Forecasters and is a member of the American Economic Association, the National Association of Business Economists and the National Economists Club. In 2014, she was part of the forecast team that won the National Association of Business Economists Outlook Award (most accurate forecaster).

She previously worked as a consultant at a finance/economics consulting firm engineering models to forecast agency subsidy costs and loss reserves for Fannie Mae's single-family private-label MBS portfolio. Prior to that, she was a junior economist at the Congressional Budget Office in the Financial Analysis Division (FAD). There, she contributed to numerous analyses related to federal credit programs, accounting treatments of federal credit, and the treatment of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac in the federal budget. She was particularly focused on fair value estimation of federal direct lending and guarantee credit programs and contributed to FAD's first comprehensive estimate—across more than 100 credit programs with a portfolio value of \$3.1 trillion—for the Congress.

She is frequently cited in the media, guest lectures at New York University and is an advisor to the NYC Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and the DC Policy Center.



Egbert L.J. Perry
Chairman,
The Integral Group

Panelist

Egbert is the Chairman of Integral, a national urban development company he cofounded in 1993 with a mission to "create value in cities and (re)build the fabric of communities." The company is headquartered in Atlanta, Georgia, and specializes in large-scale mixed use development projects and a wide variety of housing and housinganchored developments in the mid-Atlantic, Southeast, Southwest, and Western regions of the United States.

Since it was founded, Integral has become a premier provider of sustainable real estate, community, and infrastructure solutions in mature and emerging markets across the United States. Its portfolio consists of mixed-use, master-planned communities, Transit Oriented Developments ("TOD's"), as well as affordable, workforce, and class "A" multifamily housing developed through its vertically integrated subsidiaries and affiliates in the fields of development, investment, property management and program management. Over the years, the company has created approximately 10,000 housing units and maintains a considerable development pipeline as well as hundreds of acres urban property prepared for development.

Integral's mission was first put on display in 1996 when Centennial Place, a collaboration that also involved another firm and the Atlanta Housing Authority, was created. This forward-thinking project was conceived by Integral. It was the nation's first urban mixed use, economically integrated community, integrating early childhood development, K-12 public education reform, recreation, health & wellness facilities,

mixed-income rental & ownership housing (incorporating replacement units for public housing-eligible households), commercial/retail uses and support services to help low-income families transition into the economic mainstream. This holistic revitalization approach to community development was designated by the United States Department of Housing & Urban Development as the National Model. The model is now widely used in the housing industry and has been replicated hundreds of times across the nation.

Integral and Perry are regarded nationally as innovators in the field of urban development & investment, and community development. Following the financial crisis of 2008, Perry was asked to join the board of the US\$3.2 trillion mortgage giant Fannie Mae. After five years on the board, Perry was appointed its chairman, a position he held until the end of 2018. He currently serves on a number of boards of public company and civic (non-profit) organizations.

