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Dennis Roberson, Vice Provost, New Initiatives & Executive Director, Institute of Business and Interprofessional Studies, Illinois Institute of Technology

Dennis Roberson is Vice Provost, New Initiatives, Executive Director, Institute of Business and Interprofessional Studies, and Research Professor of Computer Science at the Illinois Institute of Technology. In this capacity, he is responsible for IIT's undergraduate business and related co-curricular programs, concentrating on entrepreneurship, leadership, and technology projects. He is also responsible for working across the university to assist in technology transfer, and the development of new research centers and business ventures.

Prior to IIT, he was Executive Vice President and Chief Technology Officer of Motorola. In this capacity Mr. Roberson provided functional guidance to Motorola's 32,000+ technical associates. He also had direct responsibility for its research arm - Motorola Labs, its Global Software Group, its Standards organization, and the Advanced Technology Businesses organization focused on early business incubation and intellectual property monetization. Prior to Motorola, Professor Roberson had an extensive corporate career including major business and technology responsibilities at IBM, DEC, AT&T, and NCR. He is and has been involved in leadership and board roles in a wide variety Technology, Cultural, Business and Youth organizations worldwide. He is a frequent speaker at technology meetings and conferences around the globe. Professor Roberson graduated from Washington State University with Bachelors degrees in both Electrical Engineering and Physics. He holds a Master of Science in Electrical Engineering from Stanford.

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Thomas M. Jacobius, Director, Interprofessional Studies & The IPRO® Program, Illinois Institute of Technology

Tom is the Director of Interprofessional Studies and The IPRO Program. His responsibilities are broadly directed toward developing new education programs that cut across the boundaries of professional programs and disciplines to advance IIT's reputation as the interprofessional university and enrich the educational experience of all IIT students. He has developed and directed the IIT Interprofessional

Projects (IPRO) Program (<http://ipro.iit.edu>) since 1995, and established the interprofessional team project course requirement as IIT's signature educational experience for all undergraduates and involving all graduate programs as well.

Tom has also directed IIT's Office of Research Administration and was responsible for establishing its intellectual property management function and directing a technology commercialization center as part of an Illinois university network. He has experience at IIT Research Institute, Motorola, Universal Oil Products and Clearing Machine Corporation in a variety of project management roles that included research and development; new product feasibility analysis, development and testing; technology transfer and commercialization; and market research and business planning. Inspired by the Apollo program and the race to the moon in the 60's and 70's, Tom found it particularly rewarding and exciting to manage several contracts for NASA Headquarters while at IITRI that explored aerospace technology transfer and commercialization opportunities. Tom received the B.S. degree in mechanical and aerospace engineering from Illinois Institute of Technology and the Master of Management degree from Northwestern University's Kellogg School of Management with a concentration in marketing.

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Jay Fisher, Director, Ed Kaplan Entrepreneurial Studies Program, Illinois Institute of Technology

Jay A. Fisher is the Director of the Ed Kaplan Entrepreneurial Studies Program at Illinois Institute of Technology. Jay joined IIT in July of 2000 to establish the entrepreneurial studies program, which has a mission to establish entrepreneurship as a career option for IIT's science, engineering and architecture students and to introduce them to the skills they will need to succeed. Before joining IIT, Jay worked in the chemical businesses of Amoco and BP Amoco for thirty-one years. He held management positions in research, business development, logistics, customer service, strategic planning, and manufacturing. Jay holds a Bachelor of Science in chemical engineering from Illinois Institute of Technology, a Ph.D. in chemical engineering from The University of Minnesota and attended the Executive Program at Stanford University. Jay lives in Naperville, Illinois, where he is active on the board of directors of several charitable organizations.

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Jim Austin, Practice Leader, Strategy/OD, St. Aubin Haggerty & Associates, Inc.

Jim Austin has over 25 years experience in business strategy and organization development. His expertise is in working with senior executives on strategy execution, organization development and new business growth. Prior to joining SH&A, Jim worked for 12 years at Baxter Healthcare, the last four as Vice President of Strategy Development for the Renal Division. Jim identified new business opportunities, led annual strategy planning processes and worked with senior management on organizational development for this rapidly growing, nearly \$2B Division. Before Baxter, Jim worked as a Consultant for Arthur D. Little, Inc, where he headed a number of large-scale planning, business development and strategic positioning studies. After college, Jim spent four years as an Economist in the Ministry of Finance, Botswana.

Jim holds a B.A. in Economics and Politics from Yale College. He was a Special Student at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in the Urban Studies Department, and received a joint Masters in Public Administration and a Masters in Urban and Regional Planning from the Woodrow Wilson School, Princeton University. Jim was past Chairman of the Strategic Leadership Forum, a recent Board Member of the National Kidney Foundation of Illinois, a past Member of the Board of Directors for the University Club of Chicago and Treasurer of LaSalle Language Academy. He was awarded a Fulbright-Hayes Fellowship and was a White House Fellow Regional Finalist. Jim is an adjunct faculty member at IIT's Stuart Graduate School of Business, where he lectures on Strategic Communications and Healthcare Informatics. He is a Business Management Professor at the Lake Forest Graduate School of Management, teaching courses on Healthcare Management and Business Strategy.

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Vijay Vasista, Chief Operating Officer, Nanosphere, Inc.

Vijaya Vasista joined Nanosphere in November 2000 with more than 18 years of experience in the medical device, medical hardware and clinical diagnostics markets. Prior to Nanosphere, Ms. Vasista served as Vice President, Global Marketing at Baxter International, where she provided strategic global marketing direction for the company's Fenwal division, achieving \$500M sales. At Baxter International, Ms. Vasista held various senior management positions in several divisions where she drove global business development initiatives, created and managed high caliber, multifunctional teams, and established collaborative regional and global relationships essential to product development and marketing. Ms. Vasista holds an M.B.A. from the University of Chicago and was a visiting student at the London School of Economics. She received a B.S. in economics from the University of Pennsylvania, Wharton School.

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Bob Okabe, Managing Director, RPX Group LLC

Bob Okabe has worked with early-stage and growth companies as an investor, member of management, consultant, board member and banker. He was a Principal with Illinois Partners, a consultancy with broad expertise in assessing, supporting, and developing entrepreneurial and technology businesses. Bob is a co-founder of Prairie Angels, the largest angel investor group in the Chicago area, and of Prairie Angels Capital Partners LLC, the manager of a local structured angel fund.

He has made eight angel investments in the last few years, including two in 2003.

As a consultant, Bob's clients have included the University of Chicago, the World Bank, Illinois VENTURES, and numerous early-stage companies. He was an investment banker for eleven years as a Managing Director at BancAmerica Robertson Stephens, a Senior Vice President at Lehman Brothers and a Vice President at Kidder, Peabody. Bob also spent six years at General Electric in a variety of finance and accounting roles. Locally, Bob is a member of the Mayor's Council of Technology Advisors. Bob received his Bachelor of Science in Finance and Organizational Behavior from Boston University.

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Tom Fitzpatrick, CEO, 2200 Ventures LLC

Tom Fitzpatrick has been chairman of 2200 Ventures and its predecessors since 1986. During that time, he has worked as a principal, advisor and investor in the creation of new business ventures in a wide variety of industries. Tom graduated from Yale College cum laude, with an honors degree in history. After receiving a J.D. degree from New York University School of Law, Fitzpatrick was an instructor at the University of Chicago Law School. During the 1980's and 1990's, he gained experience at Sonnenschein, a Chicago-based law firm, before starting his own law practice that specialized in representing start-ups backed by venture capital funds. During this time, Fitzpatrick began to represent ARCH Development Corporation for the purposes of licensing technology and starting new businesses. He gradually became involved in managing ARCH, and served as its acting president in 1994.

Fitzpatrick is also the president and CEO of Anagen Therapeutics, Inc., which is developing drugs for the dermatology, prostate cancer, cardiovascular and neurological markets. He also serves as chairman of Accelerated Admetrics, Inc., which is focused on drug discovery programs, and is director of SloWave, Inc., which is focused on developing drugs to treat insomnia and related neurological and mood disorders.

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Mary Dicig, Director, Office of Technology Management, University of Illinois at Chicago

In her role as director of technology management, Mary oversees the protection and licensing of technology developed within the University. Prior to this, Mary was head of the Technology Practice Group for the law firm of Schwartz, Cooper, Greenberger and Krauss, located in Chicago, specializing in technology and patent law. Mary is a member of the patent bar, a former corporate counsel for Oracle Corporation, and a former general counsel of two Chicago technology companies. Mary received her law degree from IIT's Chicago-Kent College of Law, and her B.S. and M.S. in biochemistry from the University of Illinois at Chicago. Before going to law school, she enjoyed a ten year career as a biochemist, in both industry and academia. In addition to her work at UIC, Mary is an adjunct professor of law at Chicago-Kent College of Law, where she teaches Intellectual Property Licensing.

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Barry Moltz, Co-Founder of Prairie Angels LLC

Barry J. Moltz has been running small businesses with a great deal of success and failure for 15 years. He co-founded Prairie Angels Capital Fund (www.prairieangels.org) that invests in local seed stage companies. His first book, "You Need to Be A Little Crazy: The Truth about Starting and Growing Your Business" was published in October 2003, describing the crazy ups and downs and emotional trials of running a business. The book invites readers to fully experience the personal journey and to let go of myths and expectations that can hamstring them. He also writes a weekly column called "The Business Bunker" at www.eprairie.com. His musings can be found at his own hacker web site at www.barrymoltz.com. Barry was recently named chairman of the newly formed Midwest Angel Network Association. He is also on the Steering Committee of the National Angels Summits (sponsored by the Kauffman Foundation) and a member of the Advisory Board of the State of Illinois Entrepreneurship Centers. I-Street Magazine named him one of the Top 100 People of Chicago's Hi-Tech community in 2001 and 2002, and the Chicago Software Association named him "Angel of the Year" in 2001.

Barry started his career at IBM where he received many awards at both the branch and regional level. He left IBM to join one of his clients, Whittman-Hart where he became Director of Sales and a member of the executive committee. He subsequently co-founded three start-up companies. The last company he founded was SciTech where he served as the CEO of this direct mail catalog and e-commerce reseller of scientific, engineering and technical software. He sold the company in 1999. Barry received his BA from Brandeis University and his MBA from Northwestern University.

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Joseph Steig, Business Development Consultant, National Collegiate Inventors & Innovators Alliance and Managing Director, Innovation Path, Inc.

Joseph is responsible for coordinating the national Invention to Venture workshop program for NCIIA. He has a background in finance and strategic planning and has worked in a diverse range of industries, including agriculture, environmental technologies, outdoor recreation products and software. Over the last fifteen years, in both a consulting and employee capacity, he has gained significant operational experience helping move companies up the development curve and perform successfully against established milestones and objectives. For much of his career he has been closely involved in raising

equity capital, particularly at the early stage with individual investors and venture capitalists, and also at a mezzanine stage through larger investment banks and corporate acquisitions. Joseph has extensive technology economic development experience, working with non-profits and universities to identify technology development opportunities and develop regional economic development strategies. He has held positions in companies and non-profits as President, CFO and VP – Business Development.

Joseph holds a B.A. from Hampshire College and has completed graduate studies in accounting, finance and business strategy. Joseph has a particular interest in environmentally sustainable technologies and sustainable economic development practices. Joseph Steig grew up in Vancouver, Canada and makes his home in Massachusetts.

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Robert Gonzalez, CEO and President, Founder, NewNeural LLC

Bob Gonzalez is responsible for leading the company through its early stage of corporate development, financing and over all strategic direction. Mr. Gonzalez brings over 20 years of experience in general management, sales, marketing, process development, business development, strategic relations and manufacturing in the biotechnology, chemical, vitamin, pharmaceutical and food ingredient industries. Most recently with Monsanto, he helped increase sales as he led an autonomous biotech business unit through a successful divestiture. Prior to that, he was responsible for commercial development of Food and Nutrition Biotechnology where he spearheaded food and nutrition biotechnology discovery and development efforts with joint responsibility for developing/implementing value capture strategies for biotechnology food and nutrition concepts.

Mr. Gonzalez has also worked at Henkel Corporation, where he had broad and deep experiences including: engineering, production, product management, strategic relations, leadership, P/L responsibility, international business and consumer research in the vitamin E, sterol and food ingredient businesses. Mr. Gonzalez received his B.S. in Chemical Engineering from Purdue University and an MBA (Finance) from the University of Chicago, Graduate School of Business.

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John Nix, Co-Founder and Technology Leader, Go2Call.com, Inc.

As Go2Call's Co-Founder and technology leader, John is responsible for directing development of Go2Call's proprietary VOIP technology and also manages partnerships with leading telecommunications firms. Go2Call is a global leader in delivering high quality, international VoIP calling solutions to service providers in more than 50 countries. All Go2Call products and services are characterized by value, ease-of-use and superior technology. Since inception, Go2Call has carried more than 350 million minutes of international VoIP phone calls.

John has a decade of experience in the telecommunications and manufacturing industries, as an engineer at The Coca-Cola Company and the Georgia Tech Research Institute. John also served in the U.S. Army Signal Corps, where he planned and managed the installation of line-of-sight microwave networks. John holds a B.S. in physics from Davidson College, an MBA from the J.L. Kellogg Graduate School of Management and a Master of Engineering Management degree from the Robert R. McCormick School of Engineering and Applied Science at Northwestern University.

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Stephen Meade, President and CEO, GBUCs

Mr. Meade is a proven entrepreneur and leader, with a unique ability to network within high profile organizations. As a founder of GBUCs (<http://www.gbucs.com>), Mr. Meade has played an integral role in developing the Company's business model, management team, systems and strategy. Under his direction the company has created several product lines: RONAStar, RONAGlobal, EAMS and EAMS-Corporate. Mr. Meade has been involved in e-commerce for the past six years, having launched two other successful e-commerce ventures. This success has shaped an extended base of knowledge in the transaction processing and payment facilitation space. In 1999 SiteVisions, (www.SiteVisions.com) was created to focus on web site and database development and was sold in the spring of 2000. In 1996, Mr. Meade founded VirtualSellers.com (OTC BB: VDOT), a provider of e-commerce transaction processing services for Internet-based e-tailers. Mr. Meade helped develop the transaction processing systems at VDOT, which was sold in 1999 to a public company that assumed the name Virtualsellers.com. Prior to founding VDOT, Mr. Meade was a regional vice president with Travelers Group, a Fortune 500 financial services company.

A graduate of the University of Missouri at Kansas City, Mr. Meade started in business when he was 18 where he created and owned retail stores that sold watches and fashion items called Times Up! He has co-written three books in the field of credit improvement/budget and finance, which were marketed through seminars and newspapers. He also co-produced an infomercial for the product to be marketed nationwide. Mr. Meade has lectured at numerous universities, including Northwestern University, The University of Chicago, Loyola University Chicago, Peter Kiewit Institute, and University of Nebraska, and is a 2005 Judge for the Thunderbird Global Innovation Challenge. Mr. Meade is also a Founding Member of KnockNOW- a non-profit created to accelerate the opportunity for entrepreneurs- www.knocknow.com, is on the Advisory Board of the Chicago House of Blues, and is an avid soccer and volleyball player.

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Guy Kawasaki, Managing Director, Garage Technology Ventures (Luncheon Keynote)

Speaker)

Garage Technology Ventures is an early-stage venture capital firm as well as a columnist for Forbes. Previously, he was an Apple Fellow at Apple Computer, Inc. A noted speaker and the founder of various personal computer companies, Guy was one of the individuals responsible for the success of the Macintosh computer.

Guy is also the author of eight books including Rules for Revolutionaries, How to Drive Your Competition Crazy, Selling the Dream, and The Macintosh Way. His latest book, The Art of the Start, is a time-tested, battle-hardened guide for anyone starting anything.

Guy has a BA from Stanford University and an MBA from UCLA as well as an honorary doctorate from Babson College.

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Troy Henikoff, Founder, SurePayroll.com

Troy Henikoff is a seasoned entrepreneur who has built several successful technology-based businesses from the ground-up over an 18-year period. After graduating from Brown University in 1986, Troy founded Specialized Systems and Software, which focused on customized database applications. Troy's company quickly developed a national presence, with a client list that included several Fortune 500 companies. In 1992, Medline Industries purchased the business, and it became the Systemetrics Division of Medline Industries, the largest privately-held U.S. manufacturer and distributor of medical products. Troy efficiently grew Systemetrics, leveraging its software to the point that after five years of leadership, Systemetrics' software was installed in nearly 10 percent of the nation's hospitals and helped Medline lock in an additional \$125 million in annual sales.

In 1997, Jellyvision, Inc. recruited Troy to build a software development capability from scratch; and within 18 months, Troy managed to build a team and tool set for quickly creating highly interactive multimedia experiences. Troy's team used these tools to build products like "You Don't Know Jack®" for Jellyvision, and it was selected by Disney Interactive to build the first two CD-ROM versions of "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire"® - the first CD-ROM went from concept to store shelves in 8 weeks! Most recently, Troy co-founded SurePayroll.com, an Internet based payroll service bureau focusing on companies with under 100 employees. Under his leadership as its President, SurePayroll grew from an idea on paper to a nationally recognized payroll service bureau in less than three years. Today, SurePayroll is the #1 internet payroll provider and the fifth largest payroll company in the country, managing several billion payroll dollars annually.

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Bret Johnson, Assistant Director, ITEC-Evanston, Northwestern University

Bret Johnson is the Assistant Director of the Illinois Technology Enterprise Center (ITEC) in Evanston at Northwestern University, a state-sponsored program that provides business development consulting to early stage technology companies. For the last four years, Bret has provided strategic guidance and technology commercialization assistance to companies in the areas of advanced materials, communications, software, and other physical science related technologies. While at ITEC, Bret has taught sections of the innovative Engineering Design and Communication program to first year engineering students as an adjunct faculty member for the McCormick School of Engineering at Northwestern.

Before joining ITEC, Bret completed a master's degree in Science, Technology, and Public Policy from The George Washington University with a focus on technological management and innovation, technology policy, and space policy. While completing his degree, he worked as a full time research assistant in George Washington's Space Policy Institute and held internship positions at the Executive Office of the President of the United States and NASA Headquarters. Bret's prior work experience spans the satellite manufacturing, defense electronics, and telecommunication industries in engineering and project management, new product development, and research and development, including stints at GE AstroSpace, Northrop-Grumman, and 3COM. He also holds a BS in Mechanical Engineering from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and a MS in Aeronautics and Astronautics from Stanford University.

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Raman Chadha, Executive Director, Coleman Entrepreneurship Center, DePaul University

In addition to serving as executive director of the Coleman Entrepreneurship Center, Raman teaches Entrepreneurship and New Venture Management, Entrepreneurship Strategy, and Business Plan Development. Prior to joining DePaul, he ran his own strategy and planning consulting practice, through which he helped over 200 entrepreneurs start, grow, and manage their companies. Raman has also started two other ventures, and co-founded two non-profit organizations in Chicago dedicated to helping entrepreneurs. His entrepreneurial career path began ten years ago after earning an MBA in Entrepreneurship and Innovation from the J.L. Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University. He also holds a BA in Economics from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

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Myron Gottlieb, Manager, Intellectual Property & Technology Transfer, Illinois Institute of Technology

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Dr. Gottlieb received a BS degree from Drexel University and a PhD degree from the University of Maryland. Both degrees are in Chemical Engineering. He has had extensive experience in the research, development and commercialization of advanced technologies for the energy sector. After a brief stint with the Environmental Protection Agency and Department of Energy, Dr. Gottlieb joined the Gas Research Institute in 1981 as Director of Strategic Planning. The Gas Research Institute was an organization that developed and helped to commercialize advanced energy technology for the residential, commercial, industrial and power generation market place. From 1987 to 1998, Dr. Gottlieb served as a Vice President of Technology Development at the Gas Research Institute. After retiring from the Gas Research Institute in 1998, Dr. Gottlieb consulted for the energy industry, and enjoyed an opportunity to teach high school science and math before joining IIT in 2004.

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Linda Salchenberger, Professor of Information Systems and Associate Dean, Loyola University Chicago

At Loyola, Linda has developed many programs in the area of information systems, including a Master of Science in Information Management and graduate certificate programs in E-Commerce, Business Intelligence, and Technology Leadership. She is Director of Loyola's Center for Information Management and Technology that focuses on research and education in technology and innovation in business. The Center has received funding for projects that encourage young girls and women to choose technology careers and provides them with opportunities to learn about entrepreneurship. She is on the advisory board for the MIT Enterprise Forum. Linda holds a M.M and Ph.D. from the Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University, and an M.S. in Mathematics from IIT.

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Eric Ginsburg, Project Manager, Office of Technology & Intellectual Property (UCTech), The University of Chicago

Eric is responsible for managing a diverse portfolio of patents and software covering technology developed by faculty, staff and students at the university from many departments, including chemistry, biology, physics, and radiology. Prior to working at the university, he worked as a chemist in research and development at Eastman Kodak and Abbott Laboratories. He received his degrees in chemistry from MIT (S.B.) and Caltech (Ph.D.), and was a postdoctoral fellow at the IBM Almaden Research Center.

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Rod Shrader, Assistant Professor of Management, College of Business Administration, University of Illinois at Chicago

Dr. Shrader's extensive research record in entrepreneurial studies has examined the processes associated with recognizing entrepreneurial opportunities, the accelerated internationalization of firms and the internationalization of electronic commerce. Rod collaborates with UIC's Institute for Entrepreneurial Studies and its Collegiate Entrepreneurs Organization (C-E-O). Rod Shrader received his Ph.D. in Strategic Management from Georgia State University.

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James Braband, Principal, The Braband Group and President & Chief Marketing Officer, All Cell Technologies, LLC

Jim has more than 30 years of marketing, sales and business development experience in the technology licensing field. He has served as an officer and senior executive at UOP, a global high-technology company serving the process industries with a portfolio of 20,000 patents and a customer base in 100 countries. His career encompasses every functional area of technology management from proof-of-principle, through market development and product positioning, to first commercial application and market extension. He has participated in the evolution and commercialization of a number of breakthrough technologies (two of which eclipsed the billion dollar mark) and has successfully launched several new business ventures.

Jim holds a B.S. in Chemical Engineering from Notre Dame and an MBA from The University of Chicago. He has a keen interest in the development and commercialization of early-stage technologies. Since leaving UOP several years ago, he has been actively involved with the entrepreneurial programs at both IIT and Notre Dame. Jim currently serves as President & Chief Marketing Officer of All Cell Technologies, an early-stage company founded to commercialize patented IIT technology for the thermal management of Li-Ion batteries. The company has recently signed a development, manufacturing and distribution agreement with a battery-pack provider in the portable electronics market and is currently pursuing Series A funding. In addition to his All Cell role, he has provided business insight and network contacts to further the progress of several other aspiring IIT technologies. Jim is also a member of the Irish Angels Network, a group of Notre Dame alumni and friends who are experienced in entrepreneurial endeavors and interested in supporting new venture development. He is a guest lecturer at Notre Dame's Mendoza College of Business and regularly serves as a judge and mentor in the business plan competition sponsored by the Gigot Center for Entrepreneurial Studies.

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Andrew W. Kim, Senior Associate, Schwartz Cooper Greenberger & Krauss

Mr. Kim focuses his practice on corporate, securities and venture capital transactions, working mainly with entrepreneurs and other privately held businesses. Prior to joining Schwartz Cooper, Mr. Kim was an attorney with Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati in Palo Alto, California. In that position, he represented over 50 emerging technology companies, counseling them on a variety of matters ranging from initial corporate formation and venture capital financing through initial public offerings. Mr. Kim acted as outside counsel to numerous venture backed high technology companies, providing daily operational and legal support including financing strategy, securities law compliance, strategic alliances, business development, mergers and acquisitions, employment-related matters and technology licensing.

Mr. Kim holds an undergraduate degree from Yale University and a J.D. from Cornell Law School. He is licensed to practice in New York and California and recently passed the Illinois Bar Examination. Mr. Kim serves on the Board of Directors of the Chicago Korean American Bar Association. He is currently an Adjunct Professor of Entrepreneurship at the Illinois Institute of Technology

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Robert "Bob" Lepkowski, Angel Investor and VC in Residence, ITEC-Evanston, Northwestern University

Bob Lepkowski began volunteering his time and venture capital expertise to ITEC in October 2002. Bob is motivated by a desire to help new ideas and innovations become useful parts of daily life, which is what led him to ITEC-Evanston. His experience in the VC world includes investments in Sun Microsystems, Boston Beer Company and Costco, as well as investments in bringing global companies to Central Europe. As partner and founder of the Emerging Resources Group, Bob is currently interested in electronic funds transfer, and software.

The majority of Bob's time with ITEC involves meeting with ITEC clients to bring a venture capital perspective to business development discussions. He is also actively involved in updating ITEC-Evanston's client service process and contributing to the screening process for the new Pre-Seed Fund. Bob has a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering from MIT and a Master of Science Management degree from the MIT Sloan School of Management. His current personal goal in life is to climb the "14ers" in the 48 Rockies - 5 down, 48 to go!

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Andrew Parker, President & CEO, HubTack, Inc.

Mr. Parker's recent experience as a licensed real estate agent in Illinois has brought him into close contact with land issues such as easements, and property boundaries. HubTack, Inc., based in Aurora, IL is revolutionizing the way surveyors, engineers and others estimate their work and obtain county land use records. We are focused on providing monument records in 27 states. The Company has developed a graphics based search engine that allows users to quickly and easily locate monument records for counties and townships in any of the 27 states. The company's core team has over 40+ years surveying experience and 20+ years in the computer industry that is being applied to building a practical, easy-to-use system that will save surveyors, engineers, and others time and money.

Prior to his involvement in real estate, Mr. Parker was Vice President of Marketing for Unitech Systems, Naperville, IL, Unitech Systems is the recognized world leader in providing solutions that ensure Information Integrity® - the accuracy, consistency, and reliability of the financial, operational, and management information. At Unitech Systems Mr. Parker managed a team of product managers, marketing professionals, and web designers. Mr. Parker was Chairman, CEO & President, and a founder of Mercantec, Inc., an Internet software company that developed electronic commerce software for small to mid-sized retailers. At Mercantec, Mr. Parker set up distribution in 13 countries and signed over 200 Internet Service Providers to distribute the electronic commerce solution. Prior to Mercantec, Mr. Parker was Director of Business Development at Spyglass where he was involved with licensing the web browser technology to Microsoft, which was ultimately used to develop Internet Explorer. In addition, Mr. Parker aided in the development of Spyglass's S1 filing for its public offering. Before Spyglass, Mr. Parker was with Tandem Computers, Cupertino, California, for 10 years where he held various Marketing and Product Management rolls. Mr. Parker holds a B.S. in Computer and Information Sciences from the University of Oregon.

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