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## **LASKER FOUNDATION WELCOMES WILLIAM H. HAMMOND TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

(New York, September 30) The Lasker Foundation today announced the addition of William H. Hammond to the Lasker Foundation Board of Directors where he will serve on the Foundation's Investment Committee. Hammond, Vice President of Investment Management at AT&T Services Inc., brings a wealth of expertise in finance and investment to the foundation.

"We are pleased to welcome William H. Hammond to the Lasker Foundation Board," said Lasker Board Chair Anthony Evnin, PhD. "His commitment to the Lasker mission combined with his outstanding achievements in investment management clearly position Bill to make significant contributions to the Lasker organization."

"Bill brings a spirit of altruism, a dedication to improving health through research, and a strong track record in financial leadership," said Claire Pomeroy, President of the Lasker Foundation. "Together these attributes will help guide us in our work."

Hammond was named Vice President of Investment Management at AT&T Services Inc. in 2012. He and his team are responsible for overseeing the investment and administration of more than \$100 billion of employee benefit plan assets.

Prior to working at AT&T, Hammond held managerial positions at Mobil Oil Corporation (now ExxonMobil) and the systems consulting division of Arthur Anderson & Co. (now Accenture). He graduated from Princeton University, cum laude, with a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering before receiving his MBA in Finance from the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School.

In addition to the Lasker Foundation, Hammond is a member of the board of directors of the Turrell Fund, the Continuo Arts Foundation, and the Princeton Nassoons Alumni Association.

**About the Lasker Foundation:** The Lasker Foundation seeks to increase support for biomedical research by celebrating the power of biomedical science to save and improve human lives. Through its internationally renowned Lasker Awards, educational initiatives, and public advocacy, the Foundation recognizes the most important achievements in science and public service, supports and encourages the scientific leaders of tomorrow, and raises awareness of the ever-present need for research funding. Established in 1942 by Albert and Mary Lasker, the Foundation is committed to inspiring robust and sustained support for biomedical research, fueled by Mary Lasker's call to action: "If you think research is expensive, try disease!"

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