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11:00am-12:00pm

Debra W. Cook is Managing Director and Deputy General Counsel of The Depository Trust & ClearingCorporation (DTCC). Her primary areas of responsibility include supporting the services of the OTCderivatives businesses globally.

Debra joined DTCC in 2005 upon the establishment of its Tampa office. Prior to DTCC, she served asCounsel in Citigroup's Tampa office, starting at Solomon Inc, where she advised over-the-counter derivatives and foreign exchange trading businesses. Debra began her career as an attorney for the Federal ReserveBank of New York. At the FRBNY, Debra analyzed data on interbank netting schemes for the Legal WorkingParty of the Committee on Interbank Netting Schemes of the Central Banks of the Group of Ten countries (the Lamfalussy Report). She also represented FRBNY on the drafting committee for the revision of UCC Article 8 which applied the concept of "entitlement holder" to the modern book-entry system of securities holding and transfer.

At DTCC, Debra has focused on over-the-counter derivatives matters globally, including: advising on the growth and expansion of DTCC's derivatives products and services; managing trade repository registration and on-going compliance in multiple jurisdictions; interfacing with regulators on derivatives regulations; addressing data access and data privacy issues and policy.

Debra sits on the Tampa Bay Economic Development Council Business Development Committee and has experience on the board of a national nonprofit organization where she was a director for 5 years. She received a B.A. from the College of William and Mary and J.D. from the Washington College of Law at American University, where Debra was Note & Comment Editor of the Administrative Law Journal.

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Suggested Questions For Starting Discussion With A Mentor

- Did you anticipate doing what you do now when you were a law student? If not, what caused you to change your career path from what you initially intended?
- What was your first job out of law school? How did it prepare you for future positions?
- If you had to start again today, would you still take your first job out of law school?
- What do you wish you had done more of earlier in your career?
- We will all make mistakes in our career. Can you tell me about a time that you didn't do something correctly in your career and how you dealt with that situation?
- How did you connect with mentors when you were a junior attorney? Were your mentors within your organization or outside of it?
- What do mentors expect of the persons that they mentor?
- Do you still have mentors? How long have your mentoring relationships generally lasted? What has been the benefit to you of mentoring relationships?
- How did you develop leadership skills as an attorney?
- How did you develop expertise in your area as an attorney?
- How did you develop a client base as an attorney?
- What do attorneys expect of new associates in the workplace?
- What have been the biggest challenges you have faced in being successful as a lawyer? [If you are comfortable, you could ask if there are particular challenges women face in the workplace and whether those have improved over time.]

- How do you find balance as a lawyer, particularly as a junior attorney?
- What does a “typical” day in the workplace look like for you?
- As you have navigated your career, how have you known when it was time to move on from a current position (or role within an organization) to a new challenge?
- Do you have any tips that we can use in the job market? How do we find jobs if we aren’t in the typical OCR hiring groups? What should we discuss at interviews?
- What have been the best networking opportunities for you? Are there any networking opportunities that you didn’t find to be fruitful?