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#### **Michael Likosky**

Michael Likosky is a law professor at the School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London. He is also a Visiting Scholar at NYU's Institute for Public Knowledge and a Visiting Professor in the Spring at Fordham Law School. Likosky has a doctorate from Oxford University's Law Faculty and has held visiting posts and fellowships at Oxford, NYU Law, Bonn, and Wisconsin Law. He has published four books on public-private-partnerships in infrastructure and high technology: *Law, Infrastructure, and Human Rights* (Cambridge), *The Silicon Empire* (Ashgate), *Privatising Development* (Martinus Nijhoff), and *Transnational Legal Processes* (Cambridge). He has consulted for broadcasters, hedge funds, the United Nations, Ford Foundation, and NGOs.

#### **John Adler**

John Adler is the director of private equity for the SEIU Capital Stewardship Program, which interfaces with the capital markets on behalf of SEIU's 2 million members, who work in health care, property services and public services, and who participate in Taft-Hartley and public pension funds with total assets exceeding \$1 trillion.

Adler oversees the union's relationships with private equity firms and has been spearheading the union's efforts on infrastructure investment with pension funds, investment managers, and state and municipal agencies. The goals of SEIU's Capital Stewardship Program are to foster investments that maximize long-term sustainable returns to fund members' secure retirement, and to generate collateral benefits that promote the broader interests of the members of SEIU and their partners in the labor movement.

SEIU is the largest U.S. labor union, representing 2 million members in public services, health care, and property services.

Adler has spent 16 years with SEIU, and has been a director of the capital stewardship program since 2001. He has a BA from Yale University, and lives with his wife and two children in Brooklyn, New York.

#### **Kris Kolluri**

Kris Kolluri was sworn into office as Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) on March 13, 2006. In his capacity as NJDOT Commissioner, Kolluri also served as Chairman of NJ TRANSIT, the New Jersey Turnpike Authority and the South

Jersey Transportation Authority, overseeing a total of 17,000 employees, more than \$3.6 billion in capital funds and over \$2 billion in operating funds. Prior to that, Kolluri specialized in redevelopment and transportation law as an attorney at Parker McCay of Marlton. Kolluri was Chief of Staff to New Jersey Transportation Commissioner Jack Lettiere. In this capacity, he served as counselor to the Commissioner and managed the development and implementation of the department's legislative and regulatory policies and communications strategies. Before taking this post, Kolluri was Assistant Commissioner of Intergovernmental Relations for the New Jersey Department of Transportation, in charge of legislative relations, customer advocacy and public outreach and the divisions of Policy, Legislation and Regulatory Actions, and Federal and International Transportation.

Kolluri received a Bachelor of Science degree in Management and Marketing from Rutgers University, a Masters degree in International Business from Johns Hopkins University and a law degree from Georgetown University.