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Education:

MBA from Cornell University; B.A. from Colgate University

Community involvement:

Adviser for the San Francisco chapter of Women of Renewable Industries and Sustainable Energy; co-chair of the Women's Empowerment Sub-committee for Solar Energy Industries Association

Biggest accomplishment:

Knowing that the work I do makes the world a better place is incredibly meaningful to me. I have been at the forefront of utilizing financial levers and access to capital in the fight against climate change over the past decade. I am one of few senior women in renewable energy finance, contributing to \$21B-plus of clean energy transactions, demonstrably moving the needle towards a more sustainable future.

Surprising fact:

Although I have spent my career pre-



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dominately in finance and engineering type roles, I am also passionate about English literature – specifically Jane Austen novels, of which I have an antique collection.

Inspirational mentor:

I am the youngest of four sisters, all of whom have been highly influential throughout my life. They're my biggest cheerleaders and a constant source of support and enthusiasm. More importantly, they keep me grounded and serve as shining examples of the type of woman I strive to be.

Most passionate cause:

Renewable energy. I live it, breathe it, and believe wholeheartedly that it is the key to improving life for all of humanity for generations to come. In addition, I am passionate about promoting women in finance and serve as adviser, mentor and advocate to grow our numbers. ✨