

The Museum of Modern Art

MoMA APPOINTS JAMES GROOMS AS GENERAL COUNSEL AND SECRETARY TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

NEW YORK, August 20, 2020 — The Museum of Modern Art announces the appointment of James Grooms as General Counsel and Secretary to the Board of Trustees. Grooms will join the Museum on September 14, 2020.

Grooms comes to the Museum with 17 years' experience as legal counsel, corporate secretary, and an agent of change within the iconic New York City institutions New York Road Runners and Jazz at Lincoln Center. Prior to that, he served as Director of Licensing for Intellectual Property at Standard & Poor's, worked as counsel to Disney/ABC, Inc., and taught labor law as an adjunct professor at Cornell University New York State School of Industrial Labor Relations. He brings to MoMA strong and crucial expertise in board relations, governance, human resources, diversity and inclusion, and business growth.

“James has an impressive record of success as a visionary leader and collaborator in internationally renowned non-profit organizations,” said Glenn D. Lowry, The David Rockefeller Director. “I know he will help us sustain and expand the Museum’s commitment to excellence in Board and corporate governance, strategic growth, and revenue generation—all essential to realizing MoMA’s mission to serve the public.”

“I have always revered The Museum of Modern Art for its relevance, vision, and storytelling. I’m honored to serve as General Counsel and Secretary where my appreciation for art was sparked,” said Grooms. “I look forward to navigating the Museum’s next chapter of Board and corporate governance, strategic growth, and operational efficiency.”

Grooms holds a Bachelor of Arts (Honors) in Philosophy & Religion from Colgate University, and a Juris Doctor from the University of Michigan.

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