

# A Conversation with the President of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York

John C. Williams, president and CEO of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, will discuss the U.S. economic outlook in person at a "fireside" chat moderated by Queens College President Frank H.Wu.

Wednesday, October 18, 2023 • 12:15-1:30 pm

Queens College, Student Union Ballroom (4th Floor)



John C.Williams is the president and chief executive officer of the New York Fed. In that capacity, he serves as the vice chair and a permanent voting member of the Federal Open Market Committee.

Before joining the New York Fed in 2018, Williams was the president and CEO of the San Francisco Fed, which he first joined in 2002 and subsequently served as research director. He began his career as an economist at the Federal Reserve's Board

of Governors, and he has also served in roles at the White House Council of Economic Advisers and Stanford University's Graduate School of Business.



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### Students & Graduates of the Last Decade (GOLD): Real Estate Meet & Greet

Meet, greet, and be inspired by our successful QC alums in real estate:

Adam Behlman, Leah Azizian, and Dan Tokayer

Thursday, October 19, 2023 • 5:30-7:30 pm

Queens College, Q-Side Lounge of the Dining Hall Light refreshments will be served.

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Join the Queens College School of Business to hear the panel discuss current trends in real estate, their personal career paths, helpful real estate certifications, environmental issues in real estate, and much more!

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ADAM BEHLMAN is President of Starwood Property Trust's Real Estate Investing & Servicing segment and President of Starwood Mortgage Capital. In this role, he is responsible for overseeing Starwood Property Trust's commercial mortgage-backed securities, its conduit lending and subsequent securitization activities, and its

real estate investment platform, as well as leading the company's wholly owned special servicer, LNR Partners. He previously served as Head of Capital Markets and Chief Risk Officer for LNR. Prior to joining LNR in 2011, Adam served as Head of the Real Estate Finance and CMBS division of UBS. In this role, he was responsible for managing and trading UBSs' legacy CMBS and commercial real estate loan book, while also helping return UBS to the origination, trading, and underwriting business. Adam previously held a variety of capital markets and real estate roles with firms including Deutsche Bank, Prudential Securities, and Deloitte. After serving on the Board from 2016-2020, Adam was during the 2020-2021 board of directors term the President and Chairman of the Commercial Real Estate Finance Council (CREFC), which is the leading trade organization for the commercial real estate finance industry, with over 11,000 members. He is currently serving as the past chairman and chairs the compensation and nomination committees as well as co-chairing the DEI HBCU and Education sub-committee. Adam holds a BA degree from Queens College in both accounting and information systems and economics.



Mission is a real estate-tech company focused on helping real estate owners raise capital more efficiently and scale investor-education. Prior to founding Mission, **LEAH AZIZIAN** served as a real estate broker in Manhattan and Brooklyn, helping primary home buyers, sellers, and investors transact in NYC.



Graduating from Queens College in 1999, DAN TOKAYER started his company SIMPLICITY a week later. Having his bar mitzvah money and 2 investors willing to fund him, he set out to find, purchase and sell real estate. Settling on Washington Heights and Harlem, Dan purchased his first property in 2000. Refinancing and

paying his partners off in a year, he eventually amassed 200 units in NYC via syndication before selling it all in 2006. Leaving New York City real estate after the crash, he began purchasing in the more landlord friendly state of Florida in 2012. Selling his portfolio of 500 units, Dan is semi-retired and living in New Jersey with his wife and three children.



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## QC Business Breakfast

QC Business Breakfast is a FREE networking opportunity for QC students, alums, and faculty.

### Speed Networking!

Wednesday, October 25, 2023 • 8:30-10 am

Queens College, Q-Side Lounge of the Dining Hall Light breakfast will be served (Kosher options available).

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### QC Business Breakfast

QC Business Breakfast is a FREE networking opportunity for QC students, alums, and faculty.

#### Meet QC alum, Adam Behlman!

Thursday, November 30, 2023 • 8:30-10 am

Queens College, Q-Side Lounge of the Dining Hall Light breakfast will be served (Kosher options available).

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