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Arlene Shaw is a Managing Director and Treasury Officer at Brightwood Capital Advisors, LLC in New York which provides debt and equity capital solutions to US-based companies with EBITDA of \$5 million to \$75 million. Arlene specializes in liquidity facilities and structured credits, including warehouse lines, leveraged finance vehicles, capital call facilities, CLOs and fund-of-fund loans. Prior to Brightwood, she was a Senior Associate at Schulte Roth & Zabel LLP where her practice focused on commercial and corporate finance.

A proud Brooklynite and product of the New York City public school system, Arlene has been committed to her community and the betterment of the borough since she was a teenager. She worked her first campaign at age fifteen and continued to serve as a college aide at Brooklyn Borough Hall in 1999, later working in the Human Resources, Constituent Assistance Center, and the Press Department.

Arlene holds a bachelor's degree, summa cum laude, from the State University of New York at Albany and a Juris Doctor, cum laude, from Tulane University Law School. Arlene is a member of the New York City Bar Association. She also serves on the New York City Water Board overseeing the Department of Environmental Protection's infrastructure and ongoing commitment to the city.

Breaking gender barriers, Arlene is one of the few women of color in the CLO industry where one out of every four bosses are women. She utilizes her expertise to provide legal and financial services to local women-owned businesses in her community. She is the proud mother of seven-year-old son Cullen and serves as class parent at his elementary school.