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John Colville is the chief investment officer for the City of Sacramento and is a trustee for the CalTRUST Investment Trust of California. He is responsible for managing over \$1 billion in fixed-income and equity securities for the City's general fund and closed-end, defined benefit retirement plan. In addition to managing traditional assets, he utilizes a covered call equity option overlay to generate portfolio income and to help mitigate downside risk.

Prior to 2004 when he joined the City, Mr. Colville served two years as an investment officer for the California State Teachers' Retirement System (CalSTRS) where he actively managed a synthetic portfolio of S&P 500 futures contracts. Prior to his work at CalSTRS, Mr. Colville was a transition manager with Barclay's Global Investors for three years.

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