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Dr. Bernard Godley brings to our firm an impeccable academic and medical background, having accomplished several milestones as a practitioner, professor and researcher throughout his career. His strong reputation, combined with his hands-on understanding of the talent and leadership issues facing the higher education profession will be a great fit as we further extend our presence in the field of academics. Most recently, Dr. Godley has received a Diversity and Inclusion certification from Cornell University.

Prior to joining the firm, Dr. Godley served as Professor and Chair of the Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences at UTMB. He initially joined UTMB in 1996 as an Associate Professor in the Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences and left in 2001 to pursue private practice while building the Harrington Laboratory for Molecular Ophthalmology at the Retina Foundation of the Southwest in Dallas. He returned to UTMB in 2005 as Professor and Chair, and in 2006 was appointed as the holder of Robertson-Poth Distinguished Chair in Ophthalmology. Dr. Godley also was a Professor of Ophthalmology at MD Anderson Cancer Center and established its retina service.

Dr. Godley is credited with the rapid turn-around of the Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences (OVS) Department at UTMB - significantly improving patient satisfaction, operational efficiency, and growth in faculty and services.

Dr. Godley earned a bachelor's degree in biology magna cum laude at Brown University and completed the combined MD and PhD program at Harvard Medical School and MIT. After completing a medical internship at the Brigham and Women's Hospital, he did an ophthalmology residency at the University of Iowa, followed by retina fellowship at Moorfield's Eye Hospital and the University of London, and the Retina Institute of Maryland. Dr. Godley completed the requirements for an MBA at Northwestern University's Kellogg School of Management where he focused on leadership and finance. He is a fellow of the American Academy of Ophthalmology and the American College of Surgeons.

Prior to joining Fusion, Dr. Godley was a Senior Client Partner at a global search firm where he pioneered the transformation of search execution with LEAN principles, use of videoconferencing technology, and mitigation of implicit bias. He subsequently built and lead the Academic and Life Sciences Practice at another firm which received #1 ranking by *Modern Healthcare*.