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Charles J. Hall serves as president and CEO of ACDI/VOCA, an international development nonprofit organization that fosters broad-based economic growth and empowers people to succeed in the global economy.

Mr. Hall assumed executive leadership of ACDI/VOCA on June 1, 2018, bringing experience in government, banking, entrepreneurship and social-enterprise development. Previously, Mr. Hall served four years in senior presidential appointments at the Export-Import Bank of the United States (EXIM Bank).

Former President Barack Obama appointed him executive vice president at EXIM in 2013, and EXIM chairman and president in 2017. He resigned his presidential appointment in December 2017.

During the five years prior to his most recent U.S. government service, Mr. Hall was chief executive of a London-based nonprofit established to design and manage community-based agroforestry and forest protection programs in sub-Saharan Africa. Prior to that, he and his wife founded a food manufacturing business in the United Kingdom, which they later floated on the London Stock Exchange.

In banking, he was an emerging markets corporate finance banker with J.P. Morgan and Company, based in New York, São Paulo and London covering clients in Venezuela, Brazil, India and Turkey. The first 15 years of his career were in U.S. Government service, first as a U.S. naval officer serving in both the Atlantic and Pacific fleets, and later as a U.S. Foreign Service officer with the Department of State, with postings in Kenya, Brazil, and Washington, D.C. He earned his Bachelor of Science degree in economics from the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania and a Master of Business Administration from Columbia University in New York.

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