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Dr. Ball is Senior Vice President of Finance for Oracle, a \$36 billion provider of the world's most complete, open, and integrated business software and hardware systems. He joined the company in 2005 and leads a team of 22 in managing the company's worldwide treasury operations, capital markets activity, investment portfolio, foreign exchange, stock services, and risk management. Dr. Ball also manages a \$200+ million venture portfolio. His team has borrowed over \$30 billion to fund acquisitions.

Eric serves on several boards, including: Oracle Japan (a public company listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange) and the Richard M. Lucas Medical Foundation. Prior to joining Oracle, Eric worked in a variety of headquarters and operating finance roles at Flextronics, Cisco Systems, Avery Dennison, and AT&T.

Eric is an investor in eight startup companies as a partner in Sand Hill Financial Company run by Donald Lucas (venture investor and Oracle Board member). Eric was named by *Treasury & Risk Management* magazine in November 2003 as one of the "Top 40 Under 40" in Finance, and in June 2011 as one of the "100 Most Influential People in Finance." Eric is coauthor (with Joe LiPuma) of the 2012 book *Unlocking the Ivory Tower: How Management Research Can Transform Your Business* (available at www.amazon.com).

Eric lives in Menlo Park with his wife Sheryl Axline and their two sons. He has a pilot's license, and enjoys the outdoors.