PRESS RELEASE

January 4, 2018 – Boston: The Imago Dei Fund announces the hiring of Lisa R Jackson, Ph.D. as its Managing Partner.

Today, the Imago Dei Fund (IDF) announces that Lisa R. Jackson, Ph.D. will join as Managing Partner, effective January 22, 2018.

Jackson brings an expansive background and over two decades of working in the philanthropic field to the Imago Dei Fund. She has focused on building strategy, program development and implementation, measurement and evaluation. Most recently, she was Co-Founder and Managing Director of the College for Social Innovation (CfSI), a partnership between social sector organizations and colleges to provide fully-credited, semester-long internships in Boston. Jackson was responsible for cultivating and engaging higher education partners, student recruitment, managing program and operations and serving as faculty of record.

Prior to CfSI, Jackson was a Principle at Jackson Ellis Consulting and a Managing Partner at New Profit. Jackson is a graduate of Howard University. She holds a Masters in Social Sciences in Education and a Ph.D. in Psychological Studies in Education from Stanford University.

“When considering this opportunity,” Jackson described, “I was drawn to the Imago Dei mission and to the commitment that Emily and Ross have made to creating positive social change in the world. I am thrilled to be joining the Imago Dei Fund team and look forward to working with Emily and Ross to develop the work of the Fund.”

Founding Partners Emily Nielsen Jones and Ross Jones expressed the following about Jackson’s appointment, “We are so grateful and excited to welcome Lisa Jackson to the Imago Dei Fund team. We know she will bring us an extraordinary set of attributes, including her curious and engaging intellect, passion for social change, empowering and entrepreneurial track record of leadership, team building, strategy, operational acumen, and a seasoned and wise approach to philanthropy.” Nielsen Jones added, “We look forward to this new season of our foundation’s journey with Lisa at the helm, working together to take our philanthropy to the next level of its growth and impact.”

Dietel Partners assisted the Imago Dei Fund in a robust search process as part of the advisory work it is doing for the Imago Dei Fund on a range of strategic and organizational growth issues.

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About Imago Dei Fund: The Imago Dei Fund (“IDF”) is a private grant-making foundation that dedicates its resources to bringing about a more just, free, and sustainable world. Founded in 2009 by Emily and Ross Jones, IDF has established itself in the philanthropic landscape as a faith-inspired foundation working across faith and secular lines to fund social change, enter into partnerships to expand the impact of our philanthropic investments, and catalyze movements which are transforming the deeper roots of injustice and working to restore wholeness to our world. [http://imagodeifund.org](http://imagodeifund.org)

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