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Catholic Theological Union Names New Vice President for Development

January 11, 2024 – Chicago. Catholic Theological Union is pleased to announce that its board has named Patrick L. Bittorf as the new Vice President for Development.

Bittorf brings to CTU a wealth of experience in development for both educational and nonprofit institutions. Most recently, he has been Director of Major Gifts at Empower Illinois. Previously, he was Vice President of Advancement and Operations at Christ the King Jesuit College Prep and Academic Vice President at Mercy Home for Boys and Girls. He has a proven track record of relationship building, donor recapture, and retention.

Bittorf holds a Master of Business Administration from Loyola University, Chicago, and a Bachelor of Arts from Boston College in Human Development and Theology. He has teaching certification and certification in nonprofit management, both from Northwestern University. His passion for ensuring quality education for all is evident from his educational and professional achievements.

"I am grateful to Sr. Barbara and the CTU board for the opportunity to join such a vibrant institution of learning and leadership," says Bittorf, "Together as a community of faculty and students, partners and religious sponsors, and alumni and benefactors, CTU stands as an active and unwavering force for good in our world. I am humbled by the invitation to join this mission and look forward to serving as Vice President for Development."

Says President Sr. Barbara Reid, OP, "We are delighted to welcome Patrick Bittorf to lead our development efforts. His engaging manner and his previous experience in development with institutions whose mission and vision are similar to that of CTU makes him a perfect fit."

Bittorf will join CTU's leadership team on February 5, 2024.