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**Denver Chapter of the Association for Corporate Growth (ACG) Announces  
2019 Speaker Lineup for Rocky Mountain Corporate Growth Conference**

*Featuring Billy Beane, Subject of the Film “Moneyball,” and  
Alex Honnold, Subject of the Oscar Winning Documentary, “Free Solo”*

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

March 1, 2019 (Denver, Colo.) – ACG Denver proudly announces the speakers for the 2019 Rocky Mountain Corporate Growth Conference, taking place on April 8-9 at the Hyatt Regency Denver. This year’s theme, “Creating Lasting Prosperity,” explores that while we’re in the second longest economic expansion in U.S. history, what happens when the party ends? How will the most agile middle market companies position themselves for long-term success so that they can thrive through the next downturn and beyond? Attendees of the Rocky Mountain Corporate Growth Conference will learn how to create lasting prosperity for their enterprise, their employees, and their own career.

**TOPICS AND SPEAKERS**

- **NEW ON DAY 1 in 2019! CDO Summit:** [Trends and Best Practices Driving Corporate M&A](#)  
*Speakers:*
  - Brent Baxter, Managing Director, Nolan & Associates
  - Adam Boscoe, Mergers & Acquisitions, Trimble
  - Jeremy Holland, Managing Partner, The Riverside Company
  - John Iwanski, Executive Managing Director, Riveron
  - Ryan Koch, Executive VP Corporate Development, Covius Holdings
  - Tom McGimpsey, EVP of General Counsel,  
Government Affairs & Corporate Secretary, Advanced Energy
  - Matthew McGowan, EVP of Corporate Development & Strategy, Ausenco
  - Harish Mysore, SVP Corporate Development, TeleTechMysore
  - Michael Richter, Managing Director, GLC Advisors
  - Eoin Theobald, VP of Corporate Development, CSG Systems International
  - Kari Wimmer, VP of Corporate Development and Strategic Alliances, P2 Energy Solutions
  
- [Morning Fireside Chat](#) with **Jim Parke, CEO, Otter Products** moderated by **Kimberley Paris Director of Impact Investing, Bank of America Merrill Lynch**
  
- **Panel Session 1:** [“Grit: Combining Passion and Perseverance to Achieve Long-Term Growth”](#) —  
Unlike the seasons or the ocean tides, the timing of the business cycle is nearly impossible to predict. But economic activity will inevitably reach a peak, begin to contract and eventually bottom out and start growing once more. Today the economic warning signs are everywhere,

and some of them are flashing red. Who better to provide you with perspective and wisdom than CEOs of businesses that have achieved lasting prosperity and sustained it through several economic cycles? Each of the CEOs on this panel runs a Colorado-based company that has been in business for at least 15 years. Collectively, they represent over a century of operational experience and have built their companies to last. You will hear real-life stories of personal grit and business resilience-- their greatest challenges, their biggest mistakes and how they have adapted and persevered to achieve long-term growth.

**Speakers:**

- Marco Campos, Founder and Managing Principal, Campos EPC
- Jake Jobs, President and CEO, American Furniture Warehouse
- Stuart Smith, CEO/Owner, Buehler Companies
- Todd Criger, Of Counsel, Holland and Hart (moderator)

- **Luncheon Keynote Speaker:**

- [Billy Beane, EVP of Baseball Operations for the Oakland A's & Subject of the Film "Moneyball"](#)

- **Panel Session 2: ["How Will Today's Growth Stars Thrive in the Next Recession?"](#)—** The current economic expansion is the second longest in the 164 years that the National Bureau of Economic Research has tracked the data. We're fast approaching the record of 120 consecutive months achieved in 1991 – 2001, three times the average expansion of 39 months. The CEOs on this panel founded companies that share three characteristics: (i) they are all on Inc. magazine's list of 5000 fastest growing companies in the U.S., (ii) they are all based in Colorado, and (iii) they all started in the current expansion. So how will Colorado's growth stars of today survive and thrive in the next recession? Our panelists will share their plans and strategy for continuing their growth in a downturn. From this all-star panel, you will learn strategies and tactics that position your business to navigate successfully through a slow- or no-growth environment.

**Speakers**

- JB Kellogg, Co-Founder, Co-CEO and COO, Madwire
- Kane McCord, Chief Operating Officer, Ibotta
- Karla Nugent, Chief Development Officer, Weinfield Group
- Jason Sibley, Partner, RSM U.S. (moderator)

- **Closing Keynote:**

- [Alex Honnold, Professional Adventure Rock Climber and Subject of the Oscar Winning Documentary "Free Solo"](#)

**About ACG**

Founded in 1954, the Association for Corporate Growth has 59 chapters and 14,500 members around the world. ACG serves 90,000 investors, owners, executives, lenders and advisers to growing middle-market companies. ACG's mission is to drive middle-market growth.