

Entrepreneur In Residence

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Ms. Fields is a Senior Portfolio Manager for the SW Pelham Funds and she is a member of Smith Whiley's Executive Committee. Ms. Fields has over 22 years of investment experience and she brings 18 years of commercial banking experience gained at premiere financial institutions, most recently Bank of America. During her tenure at Bank of America, she achieved the rank of Senior Vice President, leading a team of loan originators of highly leveraged transaction in the Midwest and Canadian markets.



Ms. Fields also managed an investment origination team at Citicorp North America. She began her finance career at Continental Illinois National Bank in Chicago. During her career, she financed more than \$2 billion across diverse sectors of the U.S. economy.

Venita Fields serves on the board of directors for many organizations, including the Greater Chicago Food Depository and the Chicago Finance Exchange. She is also active in the Commercial Finance Association where she served as president of the Midwest chapter.

Ms. Fields received a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Northwestern University and a Masters of Management Degree from the J.L. Kellogg Graduate School of Management, Northwestern University.