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**Chicago Teachers' Pension Fund Names Fernando Vinzons
Chief Investment Officer**

Vinzons assumes the role of CIO on July 11, 2022

Chicago, IL - JUNE 3, 2022 – Fernando Vinzons has been named Chief Investment Officer (CIO) of the Chicago Teachers' Pension Fund (CTPF). His appointment is effective July 11, 2022. Vinzons previously served as Director of Investments for the Cook County Pension Fund. He will manage the operations of CTPF's \$13.1 billion investment portfolio.



CTPF Executive Director Carlton W. Lenoir, Sr., stated, "Fernando comes to CTPF with the leadership experience, technical background, and vision needed to meet our policies, pacing, objectives, and goals. His collaborative style and proven ability to assess stakeholder needs, implement policy, and to serve as a mentor to staff will serve the Fund well. We are pleased to welcome Fernando to our team."

Vinzons has over 18 years of investment and financial market expertise, with four years as Director of Investments and 10 years as a senior member of the Cook County investment team. He was responsible for the growth of an under-funded pension portfolio (from \$5.2 to \$14.0 billion) and improved peer ranking (from 65th to 28th percentile). He is well-versed in all investable asset classes, including private equity, real estate, and hedge fund alternative strategies.

Vinzons received a BA in Economics from the University of Illinois and an MBA from the University of Chicago, Booth School of Business, with a focus on Analytical Finance and Accounting.

Vinzons will report to Executive Director Carlton W. Lenoir, Sr., and will work closely with the Board of Trustees to implement investment policy. Key areas of responsibility will be managing and directing CTPF's investment operations in accordance with the Illinois Pension Code, the Investment Policy Statement, Investment Belief Statement, the Board Rules, Orders, and Resolutions, and all applicable laws.

Visit ctpf.org for additional information about the Fund.

ABOUT CTPF

Established by the Illinois state legislature in 1895, CTPF celebrated its 125th anniversary in 2020. The \$13.1 billion Fund is the oldest in Illinois, and manages members' assets and

administers benefits. The Fund serves more than 90,000 total members and provides pension and health insurance benefits to more than 27,000 annuitants. Find more information at ctpf.org.

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