## **Noel Zamot Managing Partner and CEO, MAC Group Global**



Noel Zamot serves as Chief Executive Officer and Managing Partner of MAC Group Global, an early-stage firm focused on expanding the strategic metals supply chain through securitized lending to middle-market producers, enabling them to meet Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) criteria required to enter US markets. MAC Group creates shareholder value through resilient, secure and sustainable storage/financial centers housed in US-designated Foreign Trade Zones.

Mr. Zamot previously served as the Economic Development executive for the Financial Oversight and Management Board (FOMB) for Puerto Rico, a Congressionally-mandated role tasked with attracting private capital to revitalize Puerto Rico's critical

infrastructure, and setting the conditions for economic growth. He launched the Critical Projects Process under Title V of the PR Oversight, Management and Economic Stability Act (PROMESA) to evaluate and fast-track projects to address the island's critical infrastructure emergency. Mr. Zamot built and led a team performing financial, permitting and technical due diligence for over \$8B of infrastructure projects across energy, transportation, housing and other sectors. He was nominated by the FOMB to be the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority (PREPA) Chief Transformation Officer (CTO), and subsequently provided oversight for the development of the utility's strategic transformation plan. This vision was codified into the historic privatization and sale of the utility. Mr. Zamot has also led transformation efforts for advanced technology clusters in Puerto Rico, bringing together industry partners, capital providers and government stakeholders to catalyze investment across the island.

Prior to his appointment to the FOMB, Mr. Zamot was an entrepreneur and executive in the aerospace industry. He founded Corvus Analytics LLC, a firm that helps businesses manage cyber risk and design cyber-resilient systems. Corvus led teams that created an innovation accelerator for unmanned systems for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; developed and taught methods to evaluate military aircraft against cyber threats for the US Air Force; and supported Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) projects in autonomy and robotics. As an executive in the aerospace industry he managed operations valued at \$230M for a major defense contractor, providing complex technical solutions to customers in the Federal Government. He has developed and implemented strategies for revenue growth and market segmentation, crafted a strategic roadmap for firm-wide contract transition, and led his teams to win back-to-back business performance awards. He has led consulting engagements for federal and state agencies, aerospace firms, nonprofits and NGOs.

Before entering private industry, Mr. Zamot served as a colonel in the US Air Force. He finished his active duty career as commander of the USAF's elite Test Pilot School at Edwards Air Force Base in California, a position that combines the roles of academic dean, president of flight operations and director of applied research. There he crafted the Air Force's initial framework for testing military systems in contested cyberspace, and developed the first formal curriculum for test pilots to evaluate military drones and autonomous systems. During his career he served as a Senior National Representative in NATO, led a team to win a \$1M prize for installation-wide energy savings, led teams responding to cybersecurity attacks and developed operational plans for counter-space and stealth operations. He managed funding and execution of construction projects for disaster recovery efforts, leading his teams to Air Force-wide recognition. He has logged over 1900 flight hours in over 30 different types of aircraft, including over 100 hours of combat.

Mr. Zamot has twice testified before Congress; on energy and infrastructure recovery for Puerto Rico, as well as initiatives for transparency and anti-corruption. He has been a television and radio guest on the subject of government transparency, and has published numerous related articles in PR and US media. He has served as board member for financial services and international trade firms.

Mr. Zamot earned engineering degrees from MIT (SB) and the University of Michigan (MS), an MBA from MIT's Sloan School of Management, and a Master of Science in National Security Strategy from the National Defense University in Washington, DC. He also earned a Professional Management degree from ESAN in Lima, Peru. He is a sailplane pilot, an avid cyclist, and speaks frequently on infrastructure resiliency, the energy sector and ethical investment in Puerto Rico.