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# FORM S-3 REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

# Blackbaud, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 11-2617163 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

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(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant's principal executive offices)

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# Blackbaud, Inc.

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From time to time, we may offer shares of our common stock, preferred stock, depositary shares, warrants, stock purchase contracts, stock purchase units and/or debt securities, in any combination, together or separately, in one or more offerings, in amounts, at prices and on the terms that we will determine at the time of the offering and which will be set forth in a prospectus supplement and any related free writing prospectus. This prospectus describes the general manner in which those securities may be offered by us using this prospectus. We will specify in an accompanying prospectus supplement and any related free writing prospectus the terms of securities offered by us and the offering thereof and may also add, update or change information contained in this prospectus.

You should read this prospectus, the information incorporated, or deemed to be incorporated, by reference in this prospectus, and any applicable prospectus supplement and related free writing prospectus carefully before you invest.

Our common stock is listed on the Nasdaq Global Select Market under the symbol "BLKB." On January 8, 2025, the last reported sales price for our common stock was \$75.42 per share. None of the other securities we may offer are currently listed on any securities exchange. The applicable prospectus supplement and any related free writing prospectus will contain information, where applicable, as to any other listing on the Nasdaq Global Select Market or any securities market or exchange of the securities covered by the prospectus supplement and any related free writing prospectus.

An investment in our securities involves risk. You should carefully consider the information under the heading "Risk Factors" beginning on page 3 of this prospectus and, if applicable, any risk factors described in any accompanying prospectus supplement and in our Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") filings that are incorporated by reference into this prospectus before investing in our securities.

Common stock, preferred stock, depositary shares, warrants, stock purchase contracts, stock purchase units and/or debt securities may be sold by us to or through underwriters or dealers, directly to purchasers or through agents designated from time to time. For additional information on the methods of sale, you should refer to the section entitled "Plan of Distribution" in this prospectus. If any underwriters, dealers or agents are involved in the sale of any securities with respect to which this prospectus is being delivered, the names of such underwriters or agents and any applicable fees, discounts or commissions, details regarding over-allotment options, if any, and the net proceeds to us will be set forth in a prospectus supplement. The price to the public of such securities and the net proceeds we expect to receive from such sale will also be set forth in a prospectus supplement.

Neither the SEC nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

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#### ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS

This prospectus is part of an automatic shelf registration statement that we filed with the SEC, as a "well-known seasoned issuer" as defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"). Under this shelf registration process, from time to time, we may sell any combination of the securities described in this prospectus in one or more offerings. We have provided to you in this prospectus a general description of the securities we may offer. Each time we sell securities under this shelf registration process, we will provide a prospectus supplement that will contain specific information about the terms of the offering. We may also add, update or change in any prospectus supplement any of the information contained in this prospectus. To the extent that there is a conflict between the information contained in this prospectus and any prospectus supplement, you should rely on the information in the prospectus supplement; *provided* that, if any statement in one of these documents is inconsistent with a statement in another document having a later date, then the statement in the document having the later date modifies or supersedes the earlier statement. You should read both this prospectus and any prospectus supplement together with additional information described under the heading "Where You Can Find More Information."

Neither we nor any agent, underwriter or dealer have authorized anyone to give you any information or to make any representation other than the information and representations contained in or incorporated by reference into this prospectus or any applicable prospectus supplement or free writing prospectus. We and any agent, underwriter or dealer take no responsibility for, and can provide no assurance as to the reliability of, any other information that others may give you. You may not imply from the delivery of this prospectus and any applicable prospectus supplement or free writing prospectus, nor from a sale made under this prospectus and any applicable prospectus supplement or free writing prospectus, that our affairs are unchanged since the date of this prospectus and any applicable prospectus supplement or free writing prospectus or that the information contained in any document incorporated by reference is accurate as of any date other than the date of the document incorporated by reference, regardless of the time of delivery of this prospectus and any applicable prospectus supplement or free writing prospectus or any sale of a security. This prospectus and any applicable prospectus supplement may only be used where it is legal to sell the securities.

In this prospectus, unless the context otherwise requires, the terms "Blackbaud," the "Company," "we," "us," and "our" refer to Blackbaud, Inc., a Delaware corporation.

# THE COMPANY

We are the leading software provider exclusively dedicated to powering social impact. Serving the nonprofit and education sectors, companies committed to social responsibility and individual change makers, our essential software is built to accelerate impact in fundraising, nonprofit financial management, digital giving, grantmaking, corporate social responsibility and education management. A remote-first company, we have operations in the United States, Australia, Canada, Costa Rica, India and the United Kingdom, supporting users in 100+ countries.

#### RISK FACTORS

An investment in our securities involves risk. Please see the risk factors described in "Part 1, Item 1A. — Risk Factors" in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K, which is incorporated by reference in this prospectus, as well as any risk factors included in any other filings we have made with the SEC that are incorporated by reference herein or set forth in any applicable prospectus supplement that accompanies this prospectus. Before making an investment decision, you should carefully consider these risks as well as other information we include or incorporate by reference in this prospectus. The risks and uncertainties we have described are not the only ones we face. Additional risks and uncertainties not presently known to us or that we currently deem immaterial may also affect our business operations, results of operations or financial condition. Additional risk factors may be included in an applicable prospectus supplement relating to a particular offering of our securities. These risks could materially affect our business operations, results of operations or financial condition. You could lose all or part of your investment.

#### FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus and the documents incorporated herein by reference contain "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements involve a number of risks and uncertainties. We caution readers that any forward-looking statement is not a guarantee of future performance and that actual results could differ materially from those contained in the forward-looking statement. These statements are based on current expectations of future events.

Forward-looking statements consist of, among other things, trend analyses, statements regarding future events, future financial performance, our anticipated growth, the effect of general economic and market conditions, our business strategy and our plan to build and grow our domestic and international businesses, our operating results, our ability to successfully integrate acquired businesses and technologies, the effect of foreign currency exchange rate and interest rate fluctuations on our financial results, the impact of expensing stock-based compensation, the sufficiency of our capital resources, our ability to meet our ongoing debt and obligations as they become due, cybersecurity and data protection risks and related liabilities, and current or potential legal proceedings involving us, all of which are based on current expectations, estimates, and forecasts, and the beliefs and assumptions of our management. Words such as "believes," "seeks," "expects," "may," "might," "should," "intends," "could," "would," "likely," "will," "targets," "plans," "anticipates," "aims," "projects," "estimates" or any variations of such words and similar expressions are also intended to identify such forward-looking statements.

These forward-looking statements are based on the current beliefs and expectations of our management and are subject to significant risks and uncertainties. If underlying assumptions prove inaccurate or unknown risks or uncertainties materialize, actual results may differ materially from current expectations and projections. Factors that might cause such a difference include those discussed in "Part 1, Item 1A. — Risk Factors" in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K, as well as those discussed in this prospectus, the documents incorporated by reference into this prospectus and any free writing prospectus. You are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date of this prospectus or, in the case of documents referred to or incorporated by reference, the date of those documents.

All subsequent written or oral forward-looking statements attributable to us or any person acting on our behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by the cautionary statements contained or referred to in this section. We do not undertake any obligation to release publicly any revisions to these forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this prospectus or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events, except as may be required under applicable U.S. securities law. If we do update one or more forward-looking statements, no inference should be drawn that we will make additional updates with respect to those or other forward-looking statements.

#### WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We are subject to the informational requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and, in accordance with these requirements, we file reports and other information relating to our business, financial condition and other matters with the SEC. We are required to disclose in such reports certain information, as of particular dates, concerning our results of operations and financial condition, executive officers and directors, principal holders of shares, material interests of such persons in transactions with us and other matters. The SEC maintains a website that contains reports and other information regarding registrants that file electronically with the SEC, including the registration statement to which this prospectus relates. The address of that website is www.sec.gov.

Our website is www.blackbaud.com. Our SEC filings are available free of charge on our website as soon as reasonably practicable after they are electronically filed or furnished to the SEC. You may access these SEC filings on our website. However, other than any documents expressly incorporated by reference in this prospectus or any applicable prospectus supplement, the information on, or accessible through, our website or any other website that is referred to in this prospectus is not part of this prospectus or any applicable prospectus supplement.

#### DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

The SEC allows us to "incorporate by reference" information in this prospectus, which means that we can disclose important information to you by referring to those documents we file with the SEC. Any information incorporated this way is considered to be part of this prospectus, and any information that we file later with the SEC will automatically update and, in some cases, supersede the information contained or incorporated by reference herein. We hereby "incorporate by reference" the documents listed below (other than, in each case, documents or information deemed to be furnished and not filed in accordance with SEC rules).

- our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023, filed with the SEC on
  February 21, 2024 (including those portions of our <u>Definitive Proxy Statement</u> on Schedule 14A filed with
  the SEC on April 23, 2024 that are incorporated by reference into Part III of such Annual Report on
  Form 10-K);
- our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the quarters ended March 31, 2024, June 30, 2024 and September 30, 2024, filed with the SEC on <u>May 1, 2024</u>, <u>July 31, 2024</u> and <u>October 30, 2024</u>, respectively;
- our Current Reports on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on <u>January 11, 2024, January 22, 2024, January 26, 2024, February 2, 2024, March 4, 2024, March 18, 2024, June 14, 2024, June 14, 2024, July 18, 2024, December 9, 2024, December 12, 2024 and January 2, 2025; and
  </u>
- the description of our common stock, par value \$0.001, set forth in our Form 8-A filed with the SEC on February 20, 2004, as updated by the description of our common stock included in Exhibit 4.1 to our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023, filed with the SEC on February 21, 2024 and any amendment or report filed for the purpose of updating such description.

We also incorporate by reference in this prospectus any future filings that we make with the SEC under Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act on or after the date of this prospectus and prior to the termination of the offering; provided, however, that we are not incorporating any information furnished under either Item 2.02 or Item 7.01 or any related exhibit furnished under Item 9.01(d) of any Current Report on Form 8-K unless, and except to the extent, specified in any such Current Report on Form 8-K or in any applicable prospectus supplement.

Upon your oral or written request, we will provide you with a copy of any of these filings at no cost. Requests should be directed to:

Blackbaud, Inc. 65 Fairchild Street Charleston, South Carolina 29492 (843) 216-6200 Attention: General Counsel

# **USE OF PROCEEDS**

Unless otherwise stated in any applicable prospectus supplement, we will use the net proceeds from the sale of any securities that may be offered by us for general corporate purposes, which may include, but are not limited to, increasing our liquidity, working capital, reducing or refinancing our indebtedness or the indebtedness of one or more of our subsidiaries, funding our operations, financing acquisitions, repurchasing our common stock and redeeming outstanding securities. Pending such use, any net proceeds may be invested temporarily in short-term, interest-bearing, investment-grade securities and/or similar assets as we may determine.

#### PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

#### **Our Plan of Distribution**

We may sell the securities covered by this prospectus to one or more underwriters for public offering and sale by them, and may also sell the securities to investors directly or through agents. We will name any underwriter or agent involved in the offer and sale of securities in applicable prospectus supplement. We have reserved the right to sell or exchange securities directly to investors on our own behalf in jurisdictions where we are authorized to do so. We may distribute the securities from time to time in one or more transactions:

- at a fixed price or prices, which may be changed;
- at market prices prevailing at the time of sale;
- at prices related to such prevailing market prices; or
- · at negotiated prices.

We may directly solicit offers to purchase the securities being offered by this prospectus. We may also designate agents to solicit offers to purchase the securities from time to time. We will name in a prospectus supplement any agent involved in the offer or sale of our securities. Unless otherwise indicated in a prospectus supplement, an agent will be acting on a best efforts basis, and a dealer will purchase securities as a principal for resale at varying prices to be determined by the dealer.

If we utilize an underwriter in the sale of the securities being offered by this prospectus, then we will execute an underwriting agreement with the underwriter at the time of sale, and we will provide the name of such underwriter in the prospectus supplement that such underwriter will use to make resale of the securities to the public. In connection with the sale of the securities, we, or the purchasers of securities for whom the underwriter may act as agent, may compensate the underwriter in the form of underwriting discounts or commissions. The underwriter may sell the securities to or through dealers, and those dealers may receive compensation in the form of discounts, concessions or commissions from the underwriters or commissions from the purchasers for whom they may act as agent.

We will provide in any applicable prospectus supplement any compensation we pay to underwriters, dealers, or agents in connection with the offering of the securities, and any discounts, concessions or commissions allowed by underwriters to participating dealers. Underwriters, dealers and agents participating in the distribution of the securities may be deemed to be underwriters within the meaning of the Securities Act, and any discounts and commissions received by them and any profit realized by them on resale of the securities may be deemed to be underwriting discounts and commissions. We may enter into agreements to indemnify underwriters, dealers and agents against civil liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, and to reimburse them for certain expenses. We may grant underwriters who participate in the distribution of our securities under this prospectus an option to purchase additional securities to cover any over-allotments in connection with the distribution.

The securities we offer under this prospectus may or may not be listed through the Nasdaq Global Select Market or any other securities exchange. To facilitate the offering of securities, certain persons participating in the offering may engage in transactions that stabilize, maintain or otherwise affect the price of the securities. This may include short sales of the securities, which involves the sale by persons participating in the offering of more securities than we sold to them. In these circumstances, these persons would cover such short positions by making purchases in the open market or by exercising their option to purchase additional securities. In addition, these persons may stabilize or maintain the price of the securities by bidding for or purchasing securities in the open market or by imposing penalty bids, whereby selling concessions allowed to dealers participating in the offering may be reclaimed if securities sold by them are repurchased in connection with stabilization transactions. The effect of these transactions may be to stabilize or maintain the market price of the securities at a level above that which might otherwise prevail in the open market. These transactions may be discontinued at any time.

We may engage in at-the-market offerings into an existing trading market in accordance with Rule 415(a)(4) under the Securities Act. In addition, we may enter into derivative transactions with third parties, or sell securities not covered by this prospectus to third parties in privately negotiated transactions. If the applicable prospectus supplement indicates, in connection with those derivatives, then the third parties may sell securities covered by this prospectus and the applicable prospectus supplement, including short sale transactions. If so, the third party may use securities pledged by us or borrowed from us or others to settle those sales or to close out

any related open borrowings of stock, and they may use securities received from us in settlement of those derivatives to close out any related open borrowings of stock. The third party in these sale transactions will be an underwriter and will be identified in the applicable prospectus supplement. In addition, we may otherwise loan or pledge securities to a financial institution or other third party that in turn may sell the securities short using this prospectus. The financial institution or other third party may transfer its economic short position to investors in our securities or in connection with a concurrent offering of other securities.

We will file a prospectus supplement to describe the terms of any offering of our securities covered by this prospectus. The prospectus supplement will disclose:

- the terms of the offer;
- the names of any underwriters, including any managing underwriters, as well as any dealers or agents;
- the purchase price of the securities from us;
- the net proceeds to us from the sale of the securities;
- any delayed delivery arrangements;
- any over-allotment or other options under which underwriters, if any, may purchase additional securities from us:
- any underwriting discounts, commissions or other items constituting underwriters' compensation, and any commissions paid to agents;
- in a subscription rights offering, whether we have engaged dealer-managers to facilitate the offering or subscription, including their name or names and compensation;
- any public offering price; and
- other facts material to the transaction.

We will bear all or substantially all of the costs, expenses and fees in connection with the registration of our securities under this prospectus. The underwriters, dealers and agents may engage in transactions with us, or perform services for us, in the ordinary course of business.

Under Rule 15c6-1 under the Exchange Act, trades in the secondary market generally are required to settle in one business day, unless the parties to any such trade expressly agree otherwise or the securities are sold by us to an underwriter in a firm commitment underwritten offering. The applicable prospectus supplement may provide that the original issue date for your securities may be more than one scheduled business day after the trade date for your securities. In such a case, if you wish to trade securities on any date prior to the business day before the original issue date for your securities, you will be required, by virtue of the fact that your securities initially are expected to settle in more than one scheduled business day after the trade date for your securities, to make alternative settlement arrangements to prevent a failed settlement.

# GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF SECURITIES

We may under this prospectus offer common stock, preferred stock, depositary shares, warrants, stock purchase contracts, stock purchase units and/or debt securities, or any combination of the foregoing, either individually or as units consisting of two or more securities.

The following description of the terms of the securities we may offer under this prospectus sets forth some general terms and provisions of these securities. The particular terms of securities offered by us under this prospectus and the extent, if any, to which the general terms set forth in this prospectus do not apply to those securities will be described in one or more prospectus supplements. In addition, if we offer two or more securities as units, then the terms of the units will be described in one or more prospectus supplements. To the extent the information contained in any applicable prospectus supplement differs from the general description set forth in this prospectus, you should rely on the information in that prospectus supplement.

#### DESCRIPTION OF CAPITAL STOCK

We have provided below a summary description of our capital stock. This description does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of our amended and restated certificate of incorporation (our "certificate of incorporation") and our amended and restated bylaws (our "bylaws"). You should read the full text of our certificate of incorporation and bylaws, as well as the applicable provisions of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "DGCL").

References in this section to "we," "us" and "our" refer to Blackbaud, Inc. and not to any of its subsidiaries.

#### General

Under our certificate of incorporation, we have authority to issue (i) 180,000,000 shares of our common stock, par value \$0.001 per share, and (ii) 20,000,000 shares of preferred stock. As of January 8, 2025, we had 49,247,977 shares of our common stock outstanding and no shares of preferred stock issued.

#### **Common Stock**

#### Voting Rights

Holders of common stock are entitled to one vote per share with respect to each matter presented to our stockholders on which the holders of common stock are entitled to vote. In an uncontested election of directors, director nominees shall be elected by the affirmative vote of a majority of votes present and entitled to vote thereon. A plurality voting standard will apply when the number of director nominees exceeds the number of directors to be elected. Holders of common stock do not have cumulative voting rights.

# **Dividend Rights**

Subject to the prior rights of holders of preferred stock, if any, holders of common stock are entitled to receive, such dividends and distributions, if any, as may be lawfully declared from time to time by our board of directors. There may be additional contractual restrictions on our ability to pay dividends, including such restrictions as may be set forth in our credit facilities and other financing agreements.

#### Other Rights

Upon any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of us, whether voluntary or involuntary, holders of common stock will be entitled to receive the net assets available for distribution to stockholders, ratably in proportion to the number of shares of our common stock held by them, subject to the rights of the holders of any series of preferred stock.

#### Listing

Our common stock is authorized for listing on the Nasdaq Global Select Market under the symbol "BLKB."

# Transfer Agent and Registrar

The transfer agent and registrar for our common stock is Broadridge Corporate Issuer Solutions, LLC.

# Preferred Stock

Our board of directors has the authority, without stockholder approval, to issue preferred stock in one or more series and to fix the preferences, limitations and rights of the shares of each series, including:

- the designation of the series;
- the number of shares constituting the series;
- · dividend rights;
- · conversion or exchange rights; and
- the terms of redemption and liquidation preferences.

#### Anti-Takeover Effects of Provisions of the DGCL, Our Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws

The DGCL and our certificate of incorporation and bylaws contain provisions that may delay, deter, prevent or render more difficult a takeover attempt that our stockholders might consider to be in their best interests. Even in the absence of a takeover attempt, these provisions may also adversely affect the prevailing market price for our common stock if they are viewed as limiting the liquidity of our common stock or discouraging takeover attempts in the future.

#### Authorized but Unissued Common and Preferred Stock

The existence of authorized and unissued common and preferred stock may enable our board of directors to issue shares to persons friendly to current management, which could render more difficult or discourage an attempt to obtain control of us by means of a merger, tender offer, proxy contest or otherwise, and could thereby protect the continuity of our management and possibly deprive stockholders of opportunities to sell common stock they own at prices higher than prevailing market prices.

#### **Board of Directors**

Our certificate of incorporation provides that our board of directors is divided into three classes, designated Class A, Class B and Class C. Each class contains an equal number of directors, as nearly as possible, consisting of one third of the total number of directors constituting the entire board of directors. The term of office of one class of directors expires each year in rotation so that one class is elected at each annual meeting for a full three-year term. The term of the initial Class C directors shall terminate on the date of the 2025 annual meeting. The term of the initial Class B directors shall terminate on the date of the 2026 annual meeting.

In addition, our certificate of incorporation provides that, subject to the rights of the holders of any series of preferred stock, a director may be removed from office by the stockholders with or without cause.

#### Stockholder Action

Our certificate of incorporation provides that any action required or permitted to be taken by our stockholders may be taken without a meeting, without prior notice and without a vote, upon written consent of our stockholders entitled to vote having at least the minimum number of votes necessary to authorize or take such action at a meeting at which all shares were present and voted.

Our bylaws also provide that, except as required by law and subject to the rights of any holders of preferred stock, special meetings of our stockholders for any purpose or purposes may be called only by the president, chief executive officer or our board of directors. These provisions may have the effect of delaying consideration of a stockholder proposal until the next annual meeting.

# Advance Notice Requirements for Nominations of Directors or Other Stockholder Proposals

Our bylaws require stockholders seeking to nominate persons for election as directors at an annual or special meeting of stockholders, or to bring other business before an annual meeting (other than a matter brought under Rule 14a-8 under the Exchange Act), to provide timely notice in writing. In the case of an annual meeting, to be timely, a stockholder's notice must be delivered to our corporate secretary, not less than 90 days nor more than 120 days, prior to the first anniversary of the preceding year's annual meeting. However, if either (i) the annual meeting is called for a date that is more than 30 days before or more than 60 days after that anniversary date or (ii) no annual meeting was held in the preceding year, then notice by the stockholder, to be timely, must be received by our corporate secretary no more than 120 days prior to such annual meeting nor less than the later of (A) 90 days prior to such annual meeting and (B) 10 days after the earlier of (1) the day on which notice of the date of the meeting was mailed or (2) the day on which public disclosure of the date of the meeting was made. In the case of a special meeting, to be timely, a stockholder's notice must be delivered to our corporate secretary no more than 10 days after the earlier of (A) the day on which notice of the date of the special meeting was mailed or (B) the day on which public disclosure of the date of the special meeting was mailed or (B) the day on which

A stockholder's notice to our corporate secretary must be in proper written form and must set forth information related to the stockholder of record providing the notice of nominations or business proposed to be brought before a stockholders' meeting and the beneficial owners, if different, on whose behalf the nominations or business proposed to be brought before a stockholders' meeting is made (collectively, the "Proposing Persons"), including:

- the name and address of the stockholder giving the notice and the names and addresses of the other Proposing Persons, if any;
- information as to the ownership by the Proposing Persons of our capital stock;
- a description of the material terms of all agreements, arrangements or understandings (whether or not in writing) entered into by any Proposing Persons for the purpose of acquiring, holding, disposing or voting of any shares of any class or series of our capital stock;
- a description of all agreements, arrangements or understandings by and among any of the Proposing Persons, or by and among any Proposing Persons and any other person (including with any proposed nominees), pertaining to the nominations or other business proposals and identification of the names and addresses of other stockholders (including beneficial owners) known by any of the Proposing Persons to support such nominations or other business proposals; and
- such other information as required under our bylaws.

As to each person whom the stockholder proposes to nominate for election as a director, the notice shall include, among other information, the following:

- all information relating to the person that is required to be disclosed in solicitations of proxies for election
  of directors in an election contest, or is otherwise required, in each case pursuant to Regulation 14A under
  the Exchange Act;
- the person's written consent to being named in the proxy statement as a nominee and to serving as a director if elected; and
- such other information as required under our bylaws.

As to any other business that the stockholder proposes to bring before the meeting, the notice shall include, among other information, the following:

- a brief description of the business desired to be brought before the meeting;
- the reasons for conducting such business at the meeting; and
- any material interest in such business of the Proposing Person.

# Limitation of Liability and Indemnification Matters

Our certificate of incorporation provides that, to the fullest extent permitted by the DGCL as it now exists or may hereafter be amended, none of our directors or officers will be personally liable to us or our stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director or officer. Under our certificate of incorporation and the DGCL as it now reads, such limitation of liability is not permitted:

- for any breach of the director's or officer's duty of loyalty to us or our stockholders;
- for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law;
- for directors, for payments of unlawful dividends or unlawful stock purchases or redemptions under Section 174 of the DGCL;
- · for any transaction from which the director or officer derived an improper personal benefit; or
- for officers, in any action by or in the right of the corporation.

Section 145 of the DGCL provides that a corporation may indemnify directors and officers, as well as other employees and individuals, against expenses, including attorneys' fees, judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement, that are incurred in connection with various actions, suits or proceedings, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, other than an action by or in the right of the corporation, known as a derivative

action, if they acted in good faith and in a manner they reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, if they had no reasonable cause to believe their conduct was unlawful. A similar standard is applicable in the case of derivative actions, except that indemnification only extends to expenses, including attorneys' fees, incurred in connection with the defense or settlement of such actions, and the statute requires court approval before there can be any indemnification if the person seeking indemnification has been found liable to the corporation. The statute provides that it is not exclusive of other indemnification that may be granted by a corporation's bylaws, disinterested director vote, stockholder vote, agreement or otherwise.

Our certificate of incorporation provides that each person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, by reason of the fact that such person is or was, or has agreed to become, a director or officer of us, or is or was serving, or has agreed to serve, at our request as a director, officer or trustee of, or in similar capacity with, another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, including any employee benefit plan, or by reason of any action alleged to have been taken or omitted in such capacity, will be indemnified by us against all expense (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by such person or on behalf of such person in connection with such action, suit or proceeding and any appeal therefrom, if such person acted in good faith and in a manner such person reasonably believed to be in, or not opposed to, our best interests, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe such person's conduct was unlawful. Our certificate of incorporation also provides that we will pay the expenses incurred in defending any such proceeding in advance of its final disposition. These rights are not exclusive of any other right that any person may have or acquire under any statute, provision of our certificate of incorporation, bylaw, agreement, vote of stockholders or disinterested directors or otherwise. No repeal or modification of these provisions will in any way diminish or affect the rights of any director or officer of us under our certificate of incorporation in respect of any occurrence or matter arising prior to any such repeal or modification. Our certificate of incorporation also specifically authorizes us to grant indemnification rights to our other employees or agents or other persons serving us and such rights may be equivalent to, or greater or less than, those set forth above. Additionally, our certificate of incorporation authorizes us to maintain insurance on behalf of any person who is an officer, director, employee or agent of us or another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise (including any employee benefit plan) against any expense, liability or loss incurred by such person in any such capacity, or arising out of such person's status as such, whether or not we would have the power to indemnify such person against such expense, liability or loss under the DGCL.

#### **Delaware Business Combination Statute**

Our certificate of incorporation does not exempt us from the application of Section 203 of the DGCL. Section 203 of the DGCL provides that, subject to exceptions set forth therein, an interested stockholder of a Delaware corporation shall not engage in any business combination, including mergers or consolidations or acquisitions of additional shares of the corporation from the corporation, with the corporation for a three-year period following the time that such stockholder became an interested stockholder unless:

- prior to such time, the board of directors of the corporation approved either the business combination or the transaction which resulted in the stockholder becoming an interested stockholder;
- upon consummation of the transaction which resulted in the stockholder becoming an "interested stockholder," the interested stockholder owned at least 85% of the voting stock of the corporation outstanding at the time the transaction commenced, other than statutorily excluded shares; or
- at or subsequent to such time, the business combination is approved by the board of directors of the corporation and authorized at an annual or special meeting of stockholders by the affirmative vote of at least 66 2/3% of the outstanding voting stock which is not owned by the interested stockholder.

Except as otherwise set forth in Section 203 of the DGCL, an interested stockholder is defined to include:

- any person that is the owner of 15% or more of the outstanding voting stock of the corporation, or is an
  affiliate or associate of the corporation and was the owner of 15% or more of the outstanding voting stock
  of the corporation at any time within three years immediately prior to the date of determination; and
- the affiliates and associates of any such person.

#### **DESCRIPTION OF DEPOSITARY SHARES**

We may offer depositary receipts for depositary shares, each of which will represent a fractional interest in a share of a particular series of a class of our preferred stock, as described in any applicable prospectus supplement. Preferred stock of each series of each class represented by depositary shares will be deposited under a separate deposit agreement among us, the preferred stock depositary named in the deposit agreement and the holders from time to time of our depositary receipts. Subject to the terms of the deposit agreement, each owner of a depositary receipt will be entitled, in proportion to the fractional interest of a share of the particular series of a class of our preferred stock represented by the depositary shares evidenced by such depositary receipt, to all the rights and preferences of the preferred stock represented by those depositary shares (including dividend, voting, conversion, redemption and liquidation rights).

The depositary shares will be evidenced by depositary receipts issued pursuant to the applicable deposit agreement. Immediately following our issuance and delivery of the preferred stock to the preferred stock depositary, we will cause the preferred stock depositary to issue, on our behalf, the depositary receipts. The description in any applicable prospectus supplement will not necessarily be complete, and reference will be made to the relevant deposit agreement and depositary receipts, which will be filed with the SEC. Copies of the applicable form of deposit agreement and depositary receipt may be obtained from us upon request.

#### **DESCRIPTION OF WARRANTS**

We may issue warrants to purchase our common stock, preferred stock or debt securities. We may issue warrants independently or together with other securities. Warrants sold with other securities may be attached to or separate from the other securities. We will issue warrants under one or more warrant agreements between us and a warrant agent that we will name in any applicable prospectus supplement.

An applicable prospectus supplement relating to any warrants we are offering will describe the specific terms relating to the offering. These terms will include some or all of the following:

- the title of the warrants;
- the aggregate number of warrants offered;
- the designation, number and terms of our common stock, preferred stock or debt securities purchasable
  upon exercise of the warrants and procedures by which those numbers may be adjusted;
- the exercise price of the warrants;
- the dates or periods during which the warrants are exercisable;
- the designation and terms of any securities with which the warrants are issued;
- if the warrants are issued as a unit with another security, the date on and after which the warrants and the other security will be separately transferable;
- if the exercise price is not payable in U.S. dollars, the foreign currency, currency unit or composite currency in which the exercise price is denominated;
- any minimum or maximum amount of warrants that may be exercised at any one time;
- any terms relating to the modification of the warrants; and
- any terms, procedures and limitations relating to the transferability, exchange or exercise of the warrants.

The description in an applicable prospectus supplement will not necessarily be complete, and reference will be made to the relevant warrant agreements, which will be filed with the SEC.

#### DESCRIPTION OF DEBT SECURITIES

This prospectus describes certain general terms and provisions of our debt securities and the related indenture. The debt securities will be issued in one or more series under an indenture to be entered into between us and the trustee identified in the applicable prospectus supplement. When we offer to sell a particular series of debt securities, we will describe the specific terms of that series in one or more prospectus supplements and such description will supplement and, to the extent inconsistent with any portion of the description of our debt securities and the indenture contained in this prospectus, supersede the applicable portion of the description contained in this prospectus.

The indenture is subject to any amendments or supplements we may enter into from time to time as permitted under the indenture. We will file any amendments or supplements to the indenture as exhibits to a Current Report on Form 8-K or a post-effective amendment to the registration statement to which this prospectus relates. The statements herein relating to the debt securities and the indenture are summaries and are subject to the detailed provisions of the debt securities and the indenture. The descriptions set forth in this prospectus do not restate the indenture and do not contain all the information you may find useful. We urge you to read the indenture because it, and not the summary set forth in this prospectus or contained in any applicable prospectus supplement, defines your rights as a holder of the debt securities. Whenever we refer to particular sections of or defined terms in the indenture, those sections and definitions are incorporated by reference. The indenture is subject to and governed by the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended (the "Trust Indenture Act").

As used in this description of debt securities, "we," "our," "us," "Blackbaud" and the "Company" refer solely to Blackbaud, Inc. and not to any of our subsidiaries.

#### General

We will describe in one or more prospectus supplements the terms of the series of debt securities that we may offer and the supplemental indenture relating to such series of debt securities. These terms will include the following:

- the designation and the aggregate principal amount of the debt securities of the series;
- whether the debt securities are senior debt securities or subordinated debt securities and, if subordinated debt securities, any specific subordination provisions applicable thereto;
- whether the debt securities will be convertible into or exchangeable for our common stock, preferred stock
  or other securities and the terms and conditions governing such exchange or conversion;
- any limit upon the aggregate principal amount of the debt securities of the series which may be issued;
- the date or dates on which the principal and premium, if any, of the debt securities of the series shall be payable;
- the rate or rates, or the method of determination thereof, at which the debt securities of the series shall bear interest, the date or dates from which that interest shall accrue, the interest payment dates on which that interest shall be payable and the record dates for the determination of holders to whom interest is payable;
- if other than U.S. dollars, the currency of the debt securities of the series and the currency in which payments on the debt securities of the series shall be payable;
- if applicable, the price or prices at which, the period or periods within which and the terms and conditions upon which debt securities of the series may be redeemed, in whole or in part, at our option;
- if applicable, our obligation to redeem, purchase or repay debt securities of the series pursuant to any sinking fund or analogous provisions or at the option of a holder thereof and the price at which or process by which and the period or periods within which and the terms and conditions upon which debt securities of the series would be redeemed, purchased or repaid, in whole or in part, pursuant to such obligation;
- if other than in minimum denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof, the denominations in which debt securities of the series shall be issuable;

- any events of default, if different from the existing events of default under the indenture described in this
  prospectus, and whether such additional or modified events of default are subject to covenant defeasance;
- the trustee, if different from the existing trustee under an indenture;
- any addition to, or modification of, any covenants set forth in the indenture with respect to the debt securities of any series, and whether any such additional or modified covenant is subject to covenant defeasance; and
- any other terms of the series.

When we use the term "business day," we mean any calendar day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or a day on which commercial banking institutions are not required to be open for business in The City of New York, New York.

Unless otherwise specified in any applicable prospectus supplement, each series of the debt securities will be issued in the form of one or more fully-registered debt securities registered in the name of the nominee of The Depository Trust Company ("DTC").

The indenture will not limit the aggregate amount of debt securities that we may issue. We may issue debt securities under the indenture up to the aggregate principal amount authorized by our board of directors from time to time. In addition, the indenture does not limit our ability to incur senior debt, subordinated or secured debt, or our ability, or that of any of our existing or future subsidiaries, to incur other indebtedness and other liabilities or issue preferred stock.

We may, from time to time, without the consent of the holders of debt securities of a particular series, reopen that series of debt securities and issue additional debt securities of that series having the same ranking and the same interest rate, maturity and other terms as the debt securities of that series, except for the public offering price, the issue date and, if applicable, the initial interest payment date and initial interest accrual date. Any such additional debt securities, together with the debt securities of the same series initially offered by this prospectus and any applicable prospectus supplement, will constitute a single series of debt securities under the indenture; provided that if the additional debt securities are not fungible for U.S. federal income tax purposes with the debt securities of the same series initially offered by this prospectus and any applicable prospectus supplement, the additional debt securities will be issued under a separate CUSIP number. No additional debt securities may be issued if an event of default has occurred and is continuing with respect to the series of debt securities of which those additional debt securities would be a part.

The trustee will initially be the registrar and paying agent for the debt securities. We will maintain an office in the continental United States where we will pay the principal of, and any premium and interest on, the debt securities, and you may present the debt securities for registration of transfer and exchange. We have designated the corporate trust office of the trustee for this purpose.

# Ranking

Unless otherwise specified in any applicable prospectus supplement, each series of debt securities will be our direct, unsecured obligations and will rank without preference or priority among themselves and equally in right of payment with all of our existing and future unsecured and unsubordinated obligations, and senior in right of payment to all of our existing and future indebtedness that is expressly subordinated to that series of debt securities. Each series of debt securities that is unsecured will be effectively subordinated in right of payment to all of our secured indebtedness, if any, to the extent of the value of the collateral securing that indebtedness and will be effectively subordinated in right of payment to all existing and future indebtedness of our subsidiaries, which are separate legal entities from us and have no obligation to pay any amounts due pursuant to the debt securities or make funds available for such purpose.

# **Certain Covenants**

Set forth below are summaries of certain covenants in the indenture that apply to us, unless otherwise provided in an applicable prospectus supplement. However, the indenture does not significantly limit our operations. In particular, the indenture will not:

- limit the amount or frequency of dividends that we can pay;
- limit the amount of debt securities that we may issue from time to time;

- limit the number of series of debt securities that we may issue from time to time;
- limit or otherwise restrict the amount of indebtedness which we or our subsidiaries may incur; or
- contain any covenant or other provision that is specifically intended to afford any holder of debt securities
  any protection in the event of highly-leveraged transactions or similar transactions involving us or our
  subsidiaries.

#### Consolidation, Merger and Sale of Assets

The indenture will provide that we will not (i) merge or consolidate with any other person or (ii) sell, convey, transfer or otherwise dispose of all or substantially all of our assets to any person (other than a subsidiary), in each case unless:

- either we are the continuing person or the successor person is a corporation, limited liability company or other entity organized and existing under the laws of the United States of America or any state thereof or the District of Columbia that pursuant to a supplemental indenture to the indenture expressly assumes all of our obligations under the indenture and the debt securities issued and outstanding thereunder; provided that, in the event that the successor person is not a corporation, another person that is a corporation shall expressly assume, as co-obligor with that successor person, all of our obligations under the indenture and the debt securities issued and outstanding thereunder;
- immediately after that merger or consolidation, or that sale, conveyance, transfer or other disposition, no
  default or event of default has occurred and is continuing under the indenture; and
- we have delivered to the trustee an officers' certificate and an opinion of counsel, each stating that the merger, consolidation, sale, conveyance, transfer or other disposition and that supplemental indenture (if any) comply with the indenture and, with respect to such opinion of counsel, that such supplemental indenture (if any) is the legal, valid and binding obligation of such successor person.

In the event of any such merger, consolidation, sale, conveyance (other than by way of lease), transfer or other disposition, and upon any such assumption by the successor person or persons, such successor person or persons shall succeed to and be substituted for us, with the same effect as if it or they had been named in the indenture as us and we shall be relieved of any further obligations under the indenture and under the debt securities issued and outstanding thereunder and the predecessor company may be dissolved, wound up and liquidated at any time thereafter.

# Reports

Under the indenture, we will be required to file with the trustee, within 15 days after we are required to file the same with the SEC, copies of the annual reports and of the information, documents, and other reports that we are required to file with the SEC pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act or pursuant to Section 314 of the Trust Indenture Act. Annual reports, information, documents and other reports that are filed by us with the SEC via the EDGAR system or any successor electronic delivery procedure will be deemed to be filed with the trustee at the time those documents are filed via the EDGAR system or that successor procedure. Delivery of those reports, information and documents to the trustee is for informational purposes only, and the trustee's receipt thereof will not constitute constructive or actual notice of any information contained therein or determinable from information contained therein, including our compliance with any of our covenants in the indenture (as to which the trustee is entitled to conclusively rely upon an officer's certificate).

# **Events of Default**

Unless otherwise provided in any applicable prospectus supplement, any of the following events will constitute an event of default under the indenture with respect to any series of debt securities:

- default in the payment of any installment of interest on that series of debt securities when due and payable, and the continuance of that default for 30 days;
- default in the payment of the principal of, or any premium on, that series of debt securities when due and payable (whether at maturity, upon redemption or otherwise);

- failure to observe or perform any other covenants or agreements in the indenture in respect of the debt securities of that series, which failure continues for 90 days after written notice to us, requiring us to remedy the same, from the trustee or holders of at least 25% of the outstanding principal amount of that series of debt securities as provided in the indenture;
- (a) a failure to make any payment at maturity, including any applicable grace period, on any of our indebtedness (other than indebtedness we owe to any of our subsidiaries) outstanding in an amount in excess of \$100 million or (b) a default on any of our indebtedness (other than indebtedness we owe to any of our subsidiaries), which default results in the acceleration of such indebtedness in an amount in excess of \$100 million without such indebtedness having been discharged or the acceleration having been cured, waived, rescinded or annulled, in the case of clause (a) or (b) above, for a period of 30 days after written notice thereof to us by the trustee or to us and the trustee by the holders of not less than 25% in principal amount of outstanding notes (including any additional notes); provided, however, that if any failure, default or acceleration referred to in clause (a) or (b) above ceases or is cured, waived, rescinded or annulled, then the event of default will be deemed cured; and
- specified events relating to the bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or receivership of us.

If an event of default arising from specified events of the bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or receivership of us occurs with respect to a series of debt securities, the principal amount of all outstanding debt securities of that series will become due and payable immediately, without further action or notice on the part of the holders of the debt securities of that series or the trustee.

If any other event of default with respect to a series of debt securities occurs, the trustee or the holders of not less than 25% in principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of that series may declare the principal amount of the debt securities of that series to be due and payable immediately, by a notice in writing to us, and to the trustee if given by holders. Upon any such declaration, the principal amount of that series of debt securities will become immediately due and payable.

However, at any time after a declaration declaring the principal amount of a series of debt securities to be due and payable immediately has been made or any series of debt securities shall have otherwise become due and payable, but before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained, the holders of a majority in principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of that series of debt securities may, subject to conditions specified in the indenture, rescind and annul that declaration or acceleration and its consequences. The trustee will be under no obligation to exercise any of its rights or powers under the indenture at your request, order or direction, unless you have offered to the trustee security and/or indemnity satisfactory to the trustee in its sole discretion. Subject to the provisions for the security and/or indemnification of the trustee and otherwise in accordance with the conditions specified in the indenture, the holders of a majority in principal amount of outstanding debt securities of any series issued under the indenture have the right to direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the trustee, or exercising any trust or power conferred on the trustee in connection with the debt securities of such series.

# **Notice of Default**

The trustee will, within 90 days after a responsible officer of the trustee obtains written knowledge of the occurrence of a default with respect to a series of debt securities, send to the holders of such debt securities notice of such default relating to such series of debt securities, unless such default has been cured or waived. However, the Trust Indenture Act and the indenture permit the trustee to withhold notices of defaults (except for certain payment defaults) if the trustee in good faith determines that withholding of such notices to be in the interests of the holders.

We will furnish the trustee with an annual certification as to our compliance with the conditions and covenants in the indenture.

# Legal Proceedings and Enforcement of Right of Payment

You will not have any right to institute any proceeding under or with respect to the indenture or for any remedy under the indenture, unless you have previously given to the trustee written notice of a continuing event of default with respect to the debt securities you hold. In addition, the holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of a series must have made written request, and offered to the trustee

such security and/or indemnity that it may require in its sole discretion, to institute that proceeding as trustee, and, within 90 days following the receipt of that notice, the trustee must not have received from the holders of a majority in principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of that series a direction inconsistent with that request, and must have failed to institute the proceeding. However, you will have an absolute right to receive payment of the principal of, and any premium or interest on, the debt securities you hold at the place, time, rates and in the currency expressed in the indenture and the debt securities you hold and to institute a suit for the enforcement of that payment.

#### **Modification of Indenture**

We may enter into supplemental indentures for the purpose of adding any provisions to or changing in any manner or eliminating any of the provisions of the indenture with respect to one or more series of debt securities issued thereunder with the consent of holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the debt securities of all such series affected by such modification or amendment, voting as a single class. However, the consent of each holder affected is required for any amendment to:

- change the stated maturity of principal of, or any installment of principal of or interest on, any debt security;
- in the case of any series of subordinated debt securities, modify the subordination provisions of that series
  of subordinated debt securities in a manner materially adverse to the holders of that series of subordinated
  debt securities;
- adversely affect the right of any holder of the debt securities to convert or exchange any debt security into
  or for our common stock or other securities in accordance with the terms of such security;
- reduce the rate of or extend the time for payment of interest, if any, on any debt security or alter the
  manner of calculation of interest payable on any debt security;
- reduce the principal amount or premium, if any, on any debt security;
- make the principal of, and any premium or interest on, any debt security payable in a different currency;
- reduce the percentage in principal amount of any series of debt securities, the holders of which are required to consent to any supplemental indenture or to any waiver of any past default or event of default;
- change any place of payment where the debt securities or interest thereon is payable;
- modify the interest rate reset provision of any debt security;
- impair the right of any holder of the debt securities to receive payment of the principal of, and any premium or interest on, any debt securities on or after the respective due dates for such principal, premium or interest, or to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment, or reduce the amount of the principal of an original issue discount security that would be due and payable upon an acceleration of the maturity thereof, or adversely affect the right of repayment, if any, at the option of the holder, or extend the time for, or reduce the amount of, any payment to any sinking fund or analogous obligation relating to any debt security; or
- modify provisions of the indenture relating to waiver of defaults or amendment of the indenture, except to
  increase the percentage in principal amount of debt securities whose holders must consent to an
  amendment or to provide that certain other provisions of the indenture cannot be modified or waived
  without the consent of the holder of each outstanding debt security affected by the modification or waiver.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, holders of the debt securities of any series shall vote as a separate class with respect to modifications or amendments that affect only the debt securities of that series, and the holders of other series of debt securities shall not have any voting rights with respect to those matters as they relate to the debt securities of that series.

In addition, we and the trustee may enter into supplemental indentures without the consent of the holders of the debt securities of any series for one or more of the following purposes:

- to evidence that another corporation or limited liability company has become our successor and/or to add a co-obligor under the provisions of the indenture relating to mergers, consolidations, sales, conveyances, transfers or other dispositions of assets described under "—Consolidation, Merger and Sale of Assets" in this prospectus, and that the successor or successors assume our covenants, agreements and obligations in the indenture and in the debt securities issued thereunder;
- to add to our covenants further covenants, restrictions, conditions or provisions for the protection of the
  holders of all or any series of the debt securities as our board of directors shall consider to be for the
  protection of the holders of those debt securities, and to make a default in any of these additional
  covenants, restrictions, conditions or provisions a default or an event of default under the indenture;
- to establish the forms or terms of debt securities of any series;
- to cure any ambiguity, to correct or supplement any provisions that may be defective or inconsistent with any other provision or to make such other provisions in regard to matters or questions arising under the indenture that do not adversely affect the interests of the holders of such series of debt securities in any material respect; provided that any amendment made solely to conform the provisions of the indenture to the description of the debt securities contained in this prospectus or any applicable prospectus supplement or other offering document pursuant to which the debt securities were sold will not be deemed to adversely affect the interests of the holders of that series of debt securities;
- to modify or amend the indenture to permit the qualification of the indenture or any supplemental indentures under the Trust Indenture Act as then in effect;
- to provide for the issuance of additional debt securities of any series;
- to provide for the exchange of any debt securities in global form represented by one or more global
  certificates for debt securities of the same series issued under the indenture in definitive certificated form
  in the circumstances permitted by the terms of the indenture and those debt securities, and to make all
  appropriate changes to the indenture for that purpose;
- to add to, change or eliminate any of the provisions of the supplemental indentures in respect of one or more series of debt securities; provided that any such addition, change or elimination (i) shall not apply to, or modify the rights of any holder of, any debt security of any series created prior to the execution of such supplemental indentures or (ii) shall become effective only when no debt securities of any series created prior to the execution of such supplemental indentures are outstanding;
- to add guarantees with respect to any series of debt securities or to secure any series of debt securities; and
- to evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment by a successor or separate trustee with respect
  to the debt securities.

# **Defeasance of Indenture**

We have the right to terminate all of our obligations with respect to a series of debt securities under the covenants described under "—Certain Covenants" in this prospectus and under such other covenants for that series as may be established in the future in accordance with the terms of the indenture and to provide that any event of default expressed to be subject to covenant defeasance under the indenture shall no longer constitute an event of default under the indenture with respect to that series of debt securities, following irrevocably depositing in trust with the trustee, as trust funds solely for the benefit of holders of debt securities of that series, money in an amount sufficient, U.S. government obligations the scheduled payments of principal and interest on which shall be sufficient, or a combination thereof sufficient, in the opinion of a nationally recognized firm of independent public accountants expressed in a written certification delivered to the trustee, without consideration of any reinvestment of interest, to pay principal of, and any premium or interest on, the debt securities of that series to their maturity or redemption, as the case may be, and complying with certain other conditions, including delivery to the trustee of an opinion of counsel, to the effect that you will not recognize income, gain or loss for federal income tax purposes as a result of our exercise of such right and will be subject to federal income tax on the same amount and in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case otherwise.

In addition, we have the right at any time to terminate all of our obligations under the indenture with respect to any series of debt securities issued thereunder, other than (i) your right to receive, solely from the trust fund described below, payment of the principal of and each installment, if any, of principal of and interest on, the outstanding debt of such series on the stated maturity of such principal or installment of principal or interest due and (ii) certain obligations relating to the defeasance trust and obligations to register the transfer or exchange of the debt securities, to replace mutilated, lost or stolen debt securities, to maintain registrars and paying agents in respect of the debt securities, to pay compensation to, and expenses of, the trustee, and with respect to the resignation or removal of the trustee, following irrevocably depositing in trust with the trustee, as trust funds solely for the benefit of holders of debt securities of that series, money in an amount sufficient, U.S. government obligations the scheduled payments of principal and interest on which shall be sufficient, or a combination thereof sufficient, in the opinion of a nationally recognized firm of independent public accountants expressed in a written certification delivered to the trustee, without consideration of any reinvestment of interest, to pay principal of, and any premium or interest on, the debt securities of such series to their maturity or redemption, as the case may be, and complying with certain other conditions, including delivery to the trustee of a ruling received from the Internal Revenue Service or an opinion of counsel to the effect that you will not recognize income, gain or loss for federal income tax purposes as a result of our exercise of such right and will be subject to federal income tax on the same amount and in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case otherwise, which, in the case of an opinion of counsel, is based upon a change in law after the date of the indenture.

# **Original Issue Discount Securities**

Debt securities may be sold at a substantial discount below their stated principal amount and may bear no interest or interest at a rate which at the time of issuance is below market rates. Important federal income tax consequences and special considerations applicable to those debt securities will be described in an applicable prospectus supplement.

# **Indexed Securities**

If the amount of payments of principal of, and any premium or interest on, debt securities of any series is determined with reference to any type of index or formula or changes in prices of particular securities or commodities, the federal income tax consequences, specific terms and other information with respect to those debt securities and that index or formula and securities or commodities will be described in an applicable prospectus supplement.

# **Foreign Currencies**

If the principal of, and any premium or interest on, debt securities of any series are payable in a foreign or composite currency, the restrictions, elections, federal income tax consequences, specific terms and other information with respect to those debt securities and that currency will be described in an applicable prospectus supplement.

# Satisfaction and Discharge

The indenture will generally cease to be of any further effect with respect to any series of debt securities issued thereunder, if:

- either (i) we have delivered to the trustee for cancellation all outstanding debt securities of that series (with certain limited exceptions), or (ii) all of the outstanding debt securities of that series not previously delivered to the trustee for cancellation have become due and payable, or are by their terms to become due and payable within one year, or are to be called for redemption within one year under arrangements satisfactory to the trustee, and we have deposited with the trustee in trust, funds sufficient to pay at maturity or upon redemption all of the outstanding debt securities of that series; and
- if, in either case, we also pay or cause to be paid all other sums then payable under the indenture by us.

Subject to applicable law, any monies and U.S. government obligations deposited with the trustee for payment of principal of, and any premium or interest on, the debt securities of any series and not applied but remaining unclaimed by the holders of the debt securities of that series for two years after the date upon which

the principal of, and any premium or interest on, the debt securities of such series, as the case may be, shall have become due and payable, shall be repaid to us by the trustee on written demand. Thereafter, the holders of the debt securities of that series may look only to us for payment thereof.

#### **Miscellaneous Provisions**

The indenture will provide that certain debt securities, including those debt securities owned by us or any other obligor of the applicable debt securities or any person directly or indirectly controlled by or under direct or indirect common control with us or any other obligor of the applicable debt securities, will not be deemed to be "outstanding" in determining whether the holders of the requisite principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of a particular series have given or taken any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action under the indenture as of any date, or are present at a meeting of holders for quorum purposes, except that, in determining whether the trustee shall be protected in relying on any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action, only securities that a responsible officer of the trustee has actual knowledge to be so owned shall be so disregarded.

We will be entitled to set any day as a record date for the purpose of determining the identity of holders of debt securities of any series issued under the indenture entitled to vote or consent (or to revoke any vote or consent) to any action under the indenture, in the manner and subject to the limitations provided in the indenture.

# Resignation and Removal of a Trustee

The trustee may resign under the indenture at any time by giving written notice thereof to us. Under certain circumstances, we may remove the trustee and appoint a successor trustee. The trustee may also be removed by act of the holders of a majority in principal amount of the then outstanding debt securities of one or more series issued and outstanding under the indenture.

No resignation or removal of a trustee and no appointment of a successor trustee will become effective until the acceptance of appointment by a successor trustee in accordance with the requirements of the indenture.

# **Governing Law**

The indenture and any debt securities issued under the indenture, and any claim, controversy or dispute arising under or related to the indenture and the debt securities will be, governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.

#### **Book-Entry System**

Unless otherwise indicated in an applicable prospectus supplement, DTC, which we refer to along with its successors in this capacity as the "depositary," will act as securities depositary for the debt securities. Unless otherwise indicated in an applicable prospectus supplement, each series of debt securities will be issued as fully-registered securities registered in the name of Cede & Co., the depositary's nominee. One or more fully registered global security certificates, representing the total aggregate principal amount of each series of the debt securities, will be issued with respect to each series of the debt securities and will be deposited with the depositary or its custodian and will bear a legend regarding the restrictions on exchanges and registration of transfer referred to below.

The laws of some jurisdictions may require that some purchasers of securities take physical delivery of securities in definitive form. These laws may impair the ability to transfer beneficial interests in the debt securities so long as the debt securities are represented by global security certificates.

Investors may elect to hold interests in the global debt securities through either DTC in the United States or Clearstream Banking S.A. ("Clearstream") or Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear System (the "Euroclear System"), in Europe if they are participants of such systems, or indirectly through organizations which are participants in such systems. Clearstream and the Euroclear System will hold interests on behalf of their participants through customers' securities accounts in Clearstream's and the Euroclear System's names on the books of their respective U.S. depositaries, which in turn will hold such interests in customers' securities accounts in the respective depositaries' names on the books of DTC. Citibank N.A. will act as depositary for Clearstream and JPMorgan Chase Bank will act as depositary for the Euroclear System (in such capacities, the "U.S. Depositaries").

The information in this section concerning the depositary, its book-entry system, Clearstream and the Euroclear System has been obtained from sources that we believe to be reliable, but we have not attempted to verify the accuracy of this information.

#### DTC

DTC has advised us that it is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a "banking organization" within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code and a "clearing agency" registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Exchange Act. The depositary holds securities that its participants deposit with the depositary. The depositary also facilitates the settlement among participants of securities transactions, including transfers and pledges, in deposited securities through electronic computerized book-entry changes in participants' accounts, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct participants include both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organizations. Access to the depositary's system is also available to others, including securities brokers and dealers, banks and trust companies that clear transactions through or maintain a direct or indirect custodial relationship with a direct participant either directly, or indirectly. The rules applicable to the depositary and its participants are on file with the SEC. According to DTC, the foregoing information with respect to DTC has been provided to the financial community for informational purposes only and is not intended to serve as a representation, warranty or contract modification of any kind.

# Clearstream

Clearstream has advised us that it is incorporated under the laws of Luxembourg as a professional depositary. Clearstream holds securities for its participating organizations ("Clearstream Participants") and facilitates the clearance and settlement of securities transactions between Clearstream Participants through electronic book-entry changes in accounts of Clearstream Participants, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates. Clearstream provides to Clearstream Participants, among other things, services for safekeeping, administration, clearance and settlement of internationally-traded securities and securities lending and borrowing. Clearstream interfaces with domestic markets in several countries. As a professional depositary, Clearstream is subject to regulation by the Luxembourg Commission for the Supervision of the Financial Sector (*Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier*). Clearstream Participants are recognized financial institutions around the world, including underwriters, securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organizations and may include the underwriters. Indirect access to Clearstream is also available to others, such as banks, brokers, dealers and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Clearstream Participant, either directly or indirectly.

Distributions with respect to interests in the debt securities held beneficially through Clearstream will be credited to cash accounts of Clearstream Participants in accordance with its rules and procedures, to the extent received by the U.S. Depositary for Clearstream.

# The Euroclear System

The Euroclear System has advised us that it was created in 1968 to hold securities for participants of the Euroclear System ("Euroclear Participants") and to clear and settle transactions between Euroclear Participants through simultaneous electronic book-entry delivery against payment, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates and any risk from lack of simultaneous transfers of securities and cash. The Euroclear System includes various other services, including securities lending and borrowing and interfaces with domestic markets in several countries. The Euroclear System is operated by Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V. (the "Euroclear Operator"). All operations are conducted by the Euroclear Operator, and all Euroclear securities clearance accounts and Euroclear System cash accounts are accounts with the Euroclear Operator. Euroclear Participants include banks (including central banks), securities brokers and dealers and other professional financial intermediaries and may include the underwriters. Indirect access to the Euroclear System is also available to other firms that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Euroclear Participant, either directly or indirectly.

Securities clearance accounts and cash accounts with the Euroclear Operator are governed by the Terms and Conditions Governing Use of Euroclear and the related Operating Procedures of the Euroclear System, and

applicable Belgian law (collectively, the "Terms and Conditions"). The Terms and Conditions govern transfers of securities and cash within the Euroclear System, withdrawals of securities and cash from the Euroclear System, and receipts of payments with respect to securities in the Euroclear System. All securities in the Euroclear System are held on a fungible basis without attribution of specific certificates to specific securities clearance accounts. The Euroclear Operator acts under the Terms and Conditions only on behalf of Euroclear Participants, and has no records of or relationship with persons holding through Euroclear Participants. Distributions with respect to each series of debt securities held beneficially through the Euroclear System will be credited to the cash accounts of Euroclear Participants in accordance with the Terms and Conditions, to the extent received by the U.S. Depositary for the Euroclear System.

# Definitive Certificate Form

We will issue debt securities in definitive certificated form in exchange for global securities if:

- the depositary notifies us that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depositary with respect to the
  applicable series of debt securities or the depositary ceases to be a clearing agency registered under the
  Exchange Act, and, in each case, a successor depositary is not appointed by us within 90 days of such
  notice or of our becoming aware of that failure to be registered;
- we determine at any time that the applicable series of debt securities will no longer be represented by global security certificates (in which case we will inform the depositary of such determination who will, in turn, notify participants of their right to withdraw their beneficial interest from the global security certificates representing such series of debt securities); or
- any event shall have occurred and be continuing which, after notice or lapse of time, or both, would
  constitute an event of default with respect to the applicable series of debt securities, and that exchange is
  so requested by or on behalf of the depositary in accordance with customary procedures following the
  request of a beneficial owner seeking to exercise or enforce its rights under that series of debt securities.

Any global debt security, or portion thereof, that is exchangeable pursuant to the foregoing paragraph will be exchangeable for debt security certificates, as the case may be, registered in the names directed by the depositary. We expect that these instructions will be based upon directions received by the depositary from its participants with respect to ownership of beneficial interests in the global security certificates.

As long as the depositary or its nominee is the registered owner of the global security certificates, the depositary or its nominee, as the case may be, will be considered the sole owner and holder of the global security certificates and all debt securities represented by these certificates for all purposes under the debt securities and the indenture. Except in the limited circumstances referred to above, owners of beneficial interests in global security certificates:

- will not be entitled to have the debt securities represented by these global security certificates registered in their names; and
- will not be considered to be owners or holders of the global security certificates or any debt securities represented by these certificates for any purpose under the debt securities or the indenture.

All payments on the debt securities represented by the global security certificates and all transfers and deliveries of related debt securities will be made to the depositary or its nominee, as the case may be, as the holder of the debt securities.

# **Global Security Certificates**

Ownership of beneficial interests in the global security certificates will be limited to participants or persons that may hold beneficial interests through institutions that have accounts with the depositary or its nominee. Ownership of beneficial interests in global security certificates will be shown only on, and the transfer of those ownership interests will be effected only through, records maintained by the depositary or its nominee, with respect to participants' interests, or any participant, with respect to interests of persons held by the participant on their behalf. Payments, transfers, deliveries, exchanges and other matters relating to beneficial interests in global security certificates may be subject to various policies and procedures adopted by the depositary from time to time. Neither we nor the trustee in any of its capacities will have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of

the depositary's or any participant's records relating to, or for payments made on account of, beneficial interests in global security certificates, or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any of the depositary's records or any participant's records relating to these beneficial ownership interests.

Although the depositary has agreed to the foregoing procedures to facilitate transfers of interests in the global security certificates among participants, the depositary is under no obligation to perform or continue to perform these procedures, and these procedures may be discontinued at any time. We will not have any responsibility for the performance by the depositary or its direct participants or indirect participants under the rules and procedures governing the depositary.

#### Global Clearance and Settlement Procedures

Unless otherwise indicated in an applicable prospectus supplement, initial settlement for the debt securities will be made in immediately available funds. Secondary market trading between DTC participants will occur in the ordinary way in accordance with DTC's rules and will be settled in immediately available funds using DTC's Same-Day Funds Settlement System. Secondary market trading between Clearstream Participants and/or Euroclear Participants will occur in the ordinary way in accordance with the applicable rules and operating procedures of Clearstream and the Euroclear System, as applicable.

Cross-market transfers between persons holding directly or indirectly through DTC on the one hand, and directly or indirectly through Clearstream Participants or Euroclear Participants, on the other, will be effected through DTC in accordance with DTC rules on behalf of the relevant European international clearing system by its U.S. Depositary; however, such cross-market transactions will require delivery of instructions to the relevant European international clearing system by the counterparty in such system in accordance with its rules and procedures and within its established deadlines (European time). The relevant European international clearing system will, if the transaction meets its settlement requirements, deliver instructions to its U.S. Depositary to take action to effect final settlement on its behalf by delivering or receiving securities in DTC, and making or receiving payment in accordance with normal procedures for same-day funds settlement applicable to DTC. Clearstream Participants and Euroclear Participants may not deliver instructions directly to their respective U.S. Depositaries.

Because of time-zone differences, credits of debt securities received in Clearstream or the Euroclear System as a result of a transaction with a DTC participant will be made during subsequent securities settlement processing and dated the business day following the DTC settlement date. Such credits or any transactions in such debt securities settled during such processing will be reported to the relevant Euroclear Participant or Clearstream Participant on such business day. Cash received in Clearstream or the Euroclear System as a result of sales of the debt securities by or through a Clearstream Participant or a Euroclear Participant to a DTC participant will be received with value on the DTC settlement date but will be available in the relevant Clearstream or the Euroclear System cash account only as of the business day following settlement in DTC.

Although DTC, Clearstream and the Euroclear System have agreed to the foregoing procedures in order to facilitate transfers of debt securities among participants of DTC, Clearstream and the Euroclear System, they are under no obligation to perform or continue to perform such procedures and such procedures may be discontinued or changed at any time.

#### DESCRIPTION OF STOCK PURCHASE CONTRACTS AND STOCK PURCHASE UNITS

We may issue stock purchase contracts, including contracts obligating holders to purchase from us, and us to sell to the holders, a specified number of shares of our common stock or preferred stock at a future date or dates (the "Stock Purchase Contracts"). The price per share of shares of our common stock or preferred stock and number of shares of our common stock or preferred stock may be fixed at the time the Stock Purchase Contracts are issued or may be determined by reference to a specific formula set forth in the Stock Purchase Contracts. The Stock Purchase Contracts may be issued separately or as a part of units consisting of a Stock Purchase Contract and our debt securities or debt obligations of third parties, securing the holders' obligations to purchase the shares of our common stock or preferred stock under the Stock Purchase Contracts, which we refer to in this prospectus as "Stock Purchase Units." The Stock Purchase Contracts may require holders to secure their obligations thereunder in a specified manner. The Stock Purchase Contracts also may require us to make periodic payments to the holders of the Stock Purchase Units or vice-versa, and such payments may be unsecured or prefunded on some basis.

An applicable prospectus supplement will describe the terms of any Stock Purchase Contracts or Stock Purchase Units. The description in any applicable prospectus supplement will not necessarily be complete, and reference will be made to the Stock Purchase Contracts, and, if applicable, collateral or depositary arrangements, relating to the Stock Purchase Contracts or Stock Purchase Units. Material federal income tax considerations applicable to the Stock Purchase Units, and the Stock Purchase Contracts will also be discussed in an applicable prospectus supplement.

#### LEGAL MATTERS

Sidley Austin LLP, New York, New York, will issue an opinion about certain legal matters with respect to the securities. Any underwriters or agents will be advised about legal matters relating to any offering by their own counsel.

#### **EXPERTS**

The consolidated financial statements of Blackbaud, Inc. as of and for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 appearing in Blackbaud, Inc.'s Annual Report (Form 10-K) for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the effectiveness of Blackbaud, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2023 have been audited by Ernst & Young LLP, independent registered public accounting firm, as set forth in their reports thereon, included therein, and incorporated herein by reference. Such consolidated financial statements are incorporated herein by reference in reliance upon such reports given on the authority of such firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

The financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2021 incorporated in this prospectus by reference to the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2023 have been so incorporated in reliance on the report of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, given on the authority of said firm as experts in auditing and accounting.

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Common Stock
Preferred Stock
Depositary Shares
Warrants
Stock Purchase Contracts
Stock Purchase Units
Debt Securities

**PROSPECTUS** 

January 10, 2025

#### PART II

#### INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

# Item 14. Other Expenses of Issuance and Distribution

The following table sets forth estimated expenses in connection with the issuance and distribution of the securities being registered:



<sup>\*</sup> These fees are calculated based on the type of securities offered and the number of issuances and accordingly, cannot be estimated at this time.

# Item 15. Indemnification of Officers and Directors

Section 145 of the DGCL authorizes a court to award, or a corporation's board of directors to grant, indemnity to directors and officers under certain circumstances and subject to certain limitations. The terms of Section 145 of the DGCL are sufficiently broad to permit indemnification under certain circumstances for liabilities, including reimbursement of expenses incurred, arising under the Securities Act.

As permitted by the DGCL, the Registrant's certificate of incorporation contains a provision that eliminates, to the fullest extent permitted by law, the personal liability of a director or officer for monetary damages resulting from breach of his or her fiduciary duties as a director or officer, except for liability:

- for any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the Registrant or its stockholders;
- for acts or omissions not in good faith or that involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law;
- of a director under Section 174 of the DGCL (regarding unlawful dividends, stock purchases or redemptions);
- for any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit; or
- of an officer in any action by or in the right of the corporation.

As permitted by the DGCL, the Registrant's certificate of incorporation provides that:

- the Registrant is required to indemnify its directors and officers to the fullest extent permitted by the DGCL, subject to certain very limited exceptions;
- the Registrant may indemnify its other employees and agents as set forth in the DGCL;
- the Registrant is required to advance expenses, as incurred, to its directors and officers in connection with a legal proceeding to the fullest extent permitted by the DGCL, subject to certain very limited exceptions; and
- the rights conferred in the certificate of incorporation are not exclusive.

The Registrant has entered, and intends to continue to enter, into indemnification agreements with each of its directors and executive officers to provide these directors and executive officers additional contractual assurances regarding the scope of the indemnification set forth in the Registrant's certificate of incorporation and bylaws and to provide additional procedural protections. At present, there is no pending litigation or proceeding

involving a director or executive officer of the Registrant for which indemnification is sought. The indemnification provisions in the Registrant's certificate of incorporation, bylaws and the indemnification agreements entered into or to be entered into between the Registrant and each of its directors and executive officers may be sufficiently broad to permit indemnification of the Registrant's directors and executive officers for liabilities arising under the Securities Act.

The Registrant currently carries liability insurance for its directors and officers.

# Item 16. Exhibits

The exhibits listed below are filed (except where otherwise indicated) as part of this registration statement.

		Incorporated by Reference				
Exhibit Number	Exhibit Description	Form	File No.	Exhibit	Filing Date	Filed Herewith
1.1*	Form of Underwriting Agreement					
3.1	Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation	DEF 14A	000- 50600		4/30/2009	
3.2	Amendment to the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation	10-Q	000- 41527	3.1.1	7/31/2024	
3.3	Amended and Restated Bylaws	8-K	000- 41527	3.1	12/11/2023	
<u>4.1</u>	Form of Indenture					X
4.2*	Form of Certificate of Designations (together with Preferred Stock Certificate)					
4.3*	Form of Depositary Agreement					
4.4*	Form of Warrant Agreement (together with form of warrant certificate)					
4.5*	Form of Pledge Agreement					
<u>5.1</u>	Opinion of Sidley Austin LLP					X
<u>23.1</u>	Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP					X
<u>23.2</u>	Consent of Ernst & Young LLP					X
<u>23.3</u>	Consent of Sidley Austin LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1)					X
<u>24.1</u>	Power of Attorney (included on the signature pages hereto)					X
<u>25.1</u>	Statement of Eligibility of The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as trustee on Form T- 1 for the form of Indenture under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended					X
<u>107</u>	Calculation of Filing Fees Tables					X

<sup>\*</sup> To be filed by amendment or as an exhibit to a report pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended and incorporated herein by reference.

#### Item 17. Undertakings

- (a) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes:
  - (1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:
    - (i) to include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act;
    - (ii) to reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the SEC pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than 20 percent change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Filing Fee Tables" in the effective registration statement; and
    - (iii) to include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement;

provided, however, that subparagraphs (i), (ii), and (iii) do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in reports filed with or furnished to the SEC by the Registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act that are incorporated by reference in the registration statement, or is contained in a form of prospectus filed pursuant to Rule 424(b) that is part of the registration statement.

- (2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- (3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.
- (4) That, for the purpose of determining liability under the Securities Act to any purchaser:
  - (i) Each prospectus filed by the Registrant pursuant to Rule 424(b)(3) shall be deemed to be part of the registration statement as of the date the filed prospectus was deemed part of and included in the registration statement; and
  - (ii) Each prospectus required to be filed pursuant to Rule 424(b)(2), (b)(5), or (b)(7) as part of a registration statement in reliance on Rule 430B relating to an offering made pursuant to Rule 415(a) (1)(i), (vii), or (x) for the purpose of providing the information required by Section 10(a) of the Securities Act shall be deemed to be part of and included in the registration statement as of the earlier of the date such form of prospectus is first used after effectiveness or the date of the first contract of sale of securities in the offering described in the prospectus. As provided in Rule 430B, for liability purposes of the issuer and any person that is at that date an underwriter, such date shall be deemed to be a new effective date of the registration statement relating to the securities in the registration statement to which that prospectus relates, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof. Provided, however, that no statement made in a registration statement or prospectus that is part of the registration statement or made in a document incorporated or deemed incorporated by reference into the registration statement or prospectus that is part of the registration statement will, as to a purchaser with a time of contract of sale prior to such effective date, supersede or modify any statement that was made in the registration statement or prospectus that was part of the registration statement or made in any such document immediately prior to such effective date.

- (5) That, for the purpose of determining liability of the Registrant under the Securities Act to any purchaser in the initial distribution of the securities, the undersigned Registrant undertakes that in a primary offering of securities of the undersigned Registrant pursuant to this registration statement, regardless of the underwriting method used to sell the securities to the purchaser, if the securities are offered or sold to such purchaser by means of any of the following communications, the undersigned Registrant will be a seller to the purchaser and will be considered to offer or sell such securities to such purchaser:
  - Any preliminary prospectus or prospectus of the undersigned Registrant relating to the offering required to be filed pursuant to Rule 424;
  - (ii) Any free writing prospectus relating to the offering prepared by or on behalf of the undersigned Registrant or used or referred to by the undersigned Registrant;
  - (iii) The portion of any other free writing prospectus relating to the offering containing material information about the undersigned Registrant or its securities provided by or on behalf of the undersigned Registrant; and
  - (iv) Any other communication that is an offer in the offering made by the undersigned Registrant to the purchaser.
- (b) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each filing of the Registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act) that is incorporated by reference in the registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial *bona fide* offering thereof.
- (c) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers, and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the Registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the SEC such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer, or controlling person of the Registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit, or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer, or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the Registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.
- (d) The Registrant hereby undertakes to file an application for the purpose of determining the eligibility of the trustee to act under subsection (a) of Section 310 of the Trust Indenture Act in accordance with the rules and regulations prescribed by the SEC under Section 305(b)(2) of the Trust Indenture Act.

#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-3 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Charleston, State of South Carolina, on January 10, 2025.

#### BLACKBAUD, INC.

By: /s/ Michael P. Gianoni

Michael P. Gianoni Chief Executive Officer, President and Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors

#### POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below hereby constitutes and appoints Michael P. Gianoni, Anthony W. Boor and Jon W. Olson, and each of them, as his or her true and lawful attorneys-in-fact, proxies and agents, with full power of substitution, for him or her in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments to this registration statement (including pre-effective and post-effective amendments, any supplements, any abbreviated registration statement and any amendments thereto filed pursuant to Rule 462(b) increasing the number of securities for which registration is sought), and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto and other documents in connection therewith, with the SEC, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact, proxies and agents full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in connection therewith, as fully for all intents and purposes as he or she might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact, proxies and agents, or his substitute or substitutes, or any of them, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ Michael P. Gianoni Michael P. Gianoni	Chief Executive Officer, President and Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors (Principal Executive Officer)	January 10, 2025
/s/ Anthony W. Boor Anthony W. Boor	Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)	January 10, 2025
/s/ Andrew M. Leitch Andrew M. Leitch	Chairman of the Board of Directors	January 10, 2025
/s/ Deneen M. DeFiore Deneen M. DeFiore	Director	January 10, 2025
/s/ Yogesh K. Gupta Yogesh K. Gupta	Director	January 10, 2025
/s/ Rupal S. Hollenbeck Rupal S. Hollenbeck	Director	January 10, 2025
/s/ D. Roger Nanney D. Roger Nanney	Director	January 10, 2025
/s/ Sarah E. Nash Sarah E. Nash	Director	January 10, 2025
/s/ Bradley L. Pyburn Bradley L. Pyburn	Director	January 10, 2025
/s/ Kristian P. Talvitie Kristian P. Talvitie	Director	January 10, 2025

Exhibit 4.1

BLACKBAUD, INC.
INDENTURE
Dated as of [DATE]
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The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A.

Trustee

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### Blackbaud, Inc.

# Reconciliation and tie between Trust Indenture Act of 1939 and Indenture dated as of [DATE]

§ 310(a)(1)	7.10
(a)(2)	7.10
(a)(3)	Not Applicable
(a)(4)	Not Applicable
(a)(5)	7.10
(b)	7.10
§ 311(a)	7.11
(b)	7.11
§ 312(a)	2.6
(b)	10.3
(c)	10.3
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(b)(1)	7.6
(b)(2)	7.6
(c)(1)	7.6
(d)	7.6
§ 314(a)	4.2, 10.5
(b)	Not Applicable
(c)(1)	10.4
(c)(2)	10.4
(c)(3)	Not Applicable
(d)	Not Applicable
(e)	10.5
(f)	Not Applicable
§ 315(a)	7.1
(b)	7.5
(c)	7.1
(d)	7.1
(e)	6.14
§ 316(a)	2.10
(a)(1)(A)	6.12
(a)(1)(B)	6.13
(b)	6.8
§ 317(a)(1)	6.3
(a)(2)	6.4
(b)	2.5
§ 318(a)	10.1

Note: This reconciliation and tie shall not, for any purpose, be deemed to be part of the Indenture.

Indenture dated as of [DATE] between Blackbaud, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as trustee (the "Trustee").

Each party agrees as follows for the benefit of the other party and for the equal and ratable benefit of the Holders of the Securities issued under this Indenture.

### ARTICLE 1. DEFINITIONS AND INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE

#### Section 1.1 <u>Definitions</u>

"Affiliate" of any specified person means any other person directly or indirectly controlling or controlled by or under direct or indirect common control with such specified person. For the purposes of this definition, "control" (including, with correlative meanings, the terms "controlled by" and "under common control with"), as used with respect to any person, shall mean the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management or policies of such person, whether through the ownership of voting securities or by agreement or otherwise.

"Agent" means any Registrar or Paying Agent.

"Board of Directors" means the board of directors of the Company or any duly authorized committee thereof.

"Board Resolution" means a copy of a resolution certified by the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary of the Company to have been adopted by the Board of Directors or pursuant to authorization by the Board of Directors and to be in full force and effect on the date of the certificate and delivered to the Trustee.

"Business Day" means, with respect to any Series of Securities (except as otherwise provided pursuant to Section 2.2 with respect to such Series of Securities), any calendar day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or a day on which commercial banking institutions are not required to be open for business in New York City.

"Capital Stock" means, with respect to any person, any and all shares, interests, participations or other equivalents (however designated) in the equity of such person.

"Company" means the party named as such above until a successor replaces it and thereafter means the successor.

"Company Order" or "Company Request" means a written order or request signed in the name of the Company by an Officer and delivered to the Trustee.

"Corporate Trust Office" means the office of the Trustee at which at any particular time its corporate trust business shall be administered, which office at the date hereof is located at 4655 Salisbury Road, Suite 300, Jacksonville, Florida 32256, Attention: Corporate Trust Administration, or such other office as the Trustee may designate from time to time by notice to the Company.

- "Default" means any event which is, or after notice or passage of time or both would be, an Event of Default.
- "Depositary" means, with respect to the Securities of any Series issuable or issued in whole or in part in the form of one or more Global Securities, the person designated as Depositary for such Series by the Company from time to time; and if at any time there is more than one such person, "Depositary" as used with respect to the Securities of any Series shall mean the Depositary with respect to the Securities of such Series.
- "Discount Security" means any Security that provides for an amount less than the stated principal amount thereof to be due and payable upon acceleration of the maturity thereof pursuant to Section 6.2.
  - "Dollars" and "\$" means the currency of the United States of America.
  - "EDGAR" means Electronic Data Gathering, Analysis and Retrieval.
- "Electronic Means" shall mean the following communications methods: e-mail, secure electronic transmission containing applicable authorization codes, passwords and/or authentication keys issued by the Trustee, or another method or system specified by the Trustee as available for use in connection with its services hereunder.
- "euros" and " $\epsilon$ " means the single currency of participating member states of the economic and monetary union as contemplated in the Treaty on European Union.
- "Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or any successor thereto, in each case as amended or supplemented from time to time.
- "Foreign Currency" means any currency, composite currency or currency unit issued by a government or government of the United States of America including, without limitation, the euro.
- "Foreign Government Obligations" means, with respect to Securities of any Series that are denominated in a Foreign Currency, (a) direct obligations of the government that issued or caused to be issued such currency for the payment of which obligations its full faith and credit is pledged or (b) obligations of a person controlled or supervised by or acting as an agency or instrumentality of such government the timely payment of which is unconditionally guaranteed as a full faith and credit obligation by such government, which, in either case under clauses (a) or (b), are not callable or redeemable at the option of the issuer thereof, and shall also include a depository receipt issued by a bank or trust company as custodian with respect to any such Foreign Government Obligation or a specific payment of interest on or principal of or other amount payable with respect to any such custodian is not authorized to make any deduction from the amount payable to the holder of such depository receipt from any amount received by the custodian in respect of the Foreign Government Obligation or the specific payment of interest on or principal of or other amount payable with respect to the Foreign Government Obligation evidenced by such depository receipt.

"GAAP" means accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, as in effect from time to time.

"Global Security" or "Global Securities" means a Security or Securities, as the case may be, in global form evidencing all or part of a Series of Securities and registered in the name of a Depositary or its nominee.

"Holder" or "Securityholder" means any person in whose name a Security is registered.

"Indenture" means this Indenture as amended or supplemented from time to time and shall include the form and terms of particular Series of Securities established as contemplated hereunder.

"interest" means, with respect to any Discount Security which by its terms bears interest only after Maturity, any installment of interest on such Security; and, when used with respect to any Security, shall be deemed to mean "interest, if any" on such Security unless otherwise expressly stated or the context otherwise requires.

"Lien" means any mortgage, security interest, pledge, lien, charge or other similar encumbrance.

"Maturity" means, when used with respect to any Security, any date on which the principal of such Security or an installment of principal becomes due and payable as therein or herein provided, whether at the Stated Maturity or by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption or otherwise.

"Officer" means the Chairman of the Board of Directors, Chief Executive Officer, President, Chief Operating Officer, Chief Financial Officer, Chief Accounting Officer, Chief Legal Officer, General Counsel, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President, any other Vice President (whether or not designated by a word or words added before or after the title "Vice President"), Treasurer, any Assistant Treasurer, Controller, any Assistant Controller, Secretary or any Assistant Secretary of the Company.

"Officer's Certificate" means a certificate signed by an Officer that shall comply with Sections 10.4 and 10.5 hereunder and be delivered to the Trustee.

"Opinion of Counsel" means a written opinion of legal counsel who is acceptable to the Trustee, which opinion shall be delivered to the Trustee and may be subject to customary exceptions, qualifications and limitations and, without limitation to the foregoing, may rely on certificates of officers of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or public officials. The counsel may be an employee of or counsel to the Company.

"Person" means any individual, corporation, partnership, joint venture, association, limited liability company, joint-stock company, trust, unincorporated organization or any other entity, including any government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

"Physical Security" means a certificated Security which is not a Global Security.

"principal" of a Security means the principal of the Security plus, when appropriate, the premium, if any, on the Security.

"Responsible Officer" means, when used with respect to the Trustee, any officer within the corporate trust department of the Trustee, including any vice president, assistant vice president, assistant secretary, assistant treasurer, trust officer or any other officer of the Trustee who customarily performs functions similar to those performed by the Persons who at the time shall be such officers, respectively, and who shall have direct responsibility for the administration of this Indenture.

"SEC" means the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission or any successor thereto.

"Securities" means any bonds, debentures, notes or other debt instruments of the Company of any Series authenticated and delivered under this Indenture.

"Series" or "Series of Securities" means any series of bonds, debentures, notes or other debt instruments of the Company created pursuant to Section 2.2.

"State" means any of the States of the United States of America.

"Stated Maturity" when used with respect to any Security or any installment of principal thereof or interest thereon, means the date established by or pursuant to this Indenture or specified or determined as provided in such Security as the fixed date on which the principal of such Security or such installment of principal or interest, as the case may be, is due and payable.

"Subsidiary" means, with respect to any specified person and at any time, any corporation, partnership, limited liability company or other entity more than 50% of whose total Voting Stock then outstanding (measured by voting power rather than number of shares) is at such time owned (and, in the case of a partnership, more than 50% of whose total general partnership interests then outstanding is at such time owned), directly or indirectly, by such specified person and/or one or more other Subsidiaries of such specified person and, in the case of an entity other than a corporation or a partnership, such specified person has the power to directly or indirectly, the policies, management and affairs of such entity.

"TIA" means the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, as in effect as of the date of this Indenture, except as provided in Section 9.4.

"Trustee" means the person named as the "Trustee" in the first paragraph of this instrument until a successor Trustee shall have become such pursuant to the applicable provisions of this Indenture, and thereafter "Trustee" shall mean or include each person who is then a Trustee hereunder, and if at any time there is more than one such person, "Trustee" as used with respect to the Securities of any Series shall mean the Trustee with respect to Securities of that Series.

"U.S. Government Obligations" means securities which are (a) direct obligations of the United States of America for the payment of which its full faith and credit is pledged or (b) obligations of a person controlled or supervised by and acting as an agency or instrumentality of the United States of America the payment of which is unconditionally guaranteed as a full faith and credit obligation by the United States of America, and which, in the case of (a) and (b), are not callable or redeemable at the option of the issuer thereof, and shall also include a depository receipt issued by a bank or trust company as custodian with respect to any such U.S. Government Obligation or a specific payment of interest on or principal of or other amount payable with respect to any such U.S. Government Obligation held by such custodian for the account of the holder of a depository receipt; provided that (except as required by law) such custodian is not authorized to make any deduction from the amount payable to the holder of such depository receipt from any amount received by the custodian in respect of the U.S. Government Obligation or the specific payment of interest on or principal of or other amount payable with respect to the U.S. Government Obligation evidenced by such depository receipt.

"Voting Stock" means, with respect to any person, any Capital Stock of such person that is normally entitled (without regard to the occurrence of any contingency) to vote in the election of directors, managers or trustees (or other individuals performing similar functions), as applicable, of such person.

#### Section 1.2 Other Definitions.

	<u>DEFINED IN</u>
<u>TERM</u>	<u>SECTION</u>
"Bankruptcy Law"	6.1
"covenant defeasance"	8.4
"Custodian"	6.1
"Event of Default"	6.1
"Judgment Currency"	10.18
"legal defeasance"	8.3
"Market Exchange Rate"	10.15
"Paying Agent"	2.4
"Registrar"	2.4
"Required Currency"	10.18
"successor person"	5.1

Section 1.3 <u>Incorporation by Reference of Trust Indenture Act</u>. Whenever this Indenture refers to a provision of the TIA, the provision is incorporated by reference in and made a part of this Indenture. The following TIA terms used in this Indenture have the following meanings:

"Commission" means the SEC.

"default" means an Event of Default.

"indenture securities" means the Securities.

"indenture security holder" means a Securityholder.

"indenture to be qualified" means this Indenture.

"indenture trustee" or "institutional trustee" means the Trustee.

"obligor" on the indenture securities means the Company and any successor obligor upon the Securities.

All other terms used in this Indenture that are defined by the TIA, defined by TIA reference to another statute or defined by SEC rule under the TIA and not otherwise defined herein are used herein as so defined.

- Section 1.4 <u>Rules of Construction</u>. Unless the context otherwise requires:
  - (a) a term has the meaning assigned to it;
  - (b) an accounting term not otherwise defined has the meaning assigned to it in accordance with GAAP;
  - (c) "or" is not exclusive;
  - (d) words in the singular include the plural, and in the plural include the singular; and
  - (e) provisions apply to successive events and transactions.

## ARTICLE 2. THE SECURITIES

- Section 2.1 <u>Issuable in Series</u>. The aggregate principal amount of Securities that may be authenticated and delivered under this Indenture is unlimited. The Securities may be issued in one or more Series. All Securities of a Series shall be identical except as may be set forth or determined pursuant to or in the manner provided in a Board Resolution, supplemental indenture or Officer's Certificate pursuant to authority granted under a Board Resolution. In the case of Securities of a Series to be issued from time to time, the Board Resolution, supplemental indenture or Officer's Certificate pursuant to authority granted under a Board Resolution may provide for the method by which specified terms (such as interest rate, maturity date, record date or date from which interest shall accrue) are to be determined. Securities may differ between Series, and Securities within any Series may differ from any or all other Securities of such Series, in respect of any matters; provided that, subject to any subordination provisions applicable to the Securities of any Series pursuant to Section 2.2, all Series of Securities shall be equally and ratably entitled to the benefits of this Indenture.
- Section 2.2 <u>Establishment of Form and Terms of Series of Securities</u>. The Securities of each Series shall be in such form or forms as may be set forth or determined pursuant to or in a manner provided in a Board Resolution, supplemental indenture or Officer's Certificate pursuant to authority granted under a Board Resolution. At or prior to the issuance of any Securities within a Series, the title of the Securities of such Series shall be established pursuant to Subsection 2.2.1, and the terms of such Securities shall be established, (either as to any Securities within the Series or as to the Series generally) pursuant to Subsections 2.2.2 through 2.2.21, by or pursuant to a Board Resolution, and set forth or determined pursuant to or in the manner provided in a Board Resolution, supplemental indenture or Officer's Certificate, which terms shall include, without limitation and to the extent applicable with respect to Securities of such Series, the following:
  - 2.2.1 the title of such Series (which shall distinguish such Securities of that particular Series from the Securities of any other Series);

- 2.2.2 any limit upon the aggregate principal amount of the Securities of such Series which may be authenticated and delivered under this Indenture (except for Securities authenticated and delivered upon registration of transfer of, or in exchange for, or in lieu of, other Securities of the Series pursuant to Section 2.7, 2.8, 2.11, 3.7 or 9.6 or, in the case of Securities of a Series that the Company may be required to repurchase at the option of the Holders thereof, Securities authenticated and delivered in exchange for other Securities of the same Series that were repurchased in part);
  - 2.2.3 the date or dates on which the principal of the Securities of such Series is payable;
- 2.2.4 if applicable, the rate or rates (which may be fixed or variable) or, if applicable, the method used to determine such rate or rates (including, but not limited to, any commodity, commodity index, stock exchange index or financial index) at which the Securities of such Series shall bear interest, if any, the date or dates from which such interest, if any, shall accrue, the date or dates on which such interest, if any, shall be payable and any regular record date for the interest payable on any interest payment date;
  - 2.2.5 the right, if any, to defer payment of interest and the length of any deferral period;
- 2.2.6 if applicable, the period or periods within which, the price or prices at which and the terms and conditions upon which the Securities of such Series may be redeemed, in whole or in part, at the option of the Company;
- 2.2.7 if applicable, the obligation, if any, of the Company to redeem or repurchase the Securities of such Series pursuant to any sinking fund or analogous provisions or at the option of the Holders thereof and the period or periods within which, the price or prices at which and the terms and conditions upon which Securities of such Series shall be redeemed or repurchased, in whole or in part, pursuant to such obligation;
- 2.2.8 if other than minimum denominations of \$2,000 in principal amount and any integral multiple of \$1,000 in principal amount in excess thereof, the denominations in which the Securities of such Series shall be issuable;
- 2.2.9 whether any or all of the Securities of such Series are to be issued in the form of one or more Global Securities and, if so, the initial Depositary with respect to such Global Securities;
- 2.2.10 if other than the principal amount thereof, the portion of the principal amount of the Securities of such Series that shall be payable upon acceleration of the maturity thereof pursuant to Section 6.2;

- 2.2.11 if other than Dollars, the currency of denomination of the Securities of such Series, which may be any Foreign Currency;
- 2.2.12 if other than Dollars, the designation of the currency, currencies or currency units in which payment of the principal of and interest, if any, on the Securities of such Series will be made;
- 2.2.13 if payments of principal of or interest, if any, on the Securities of such Series are to be made in one or more currencies, composite currencies or currency units other than that or those in which such Securities are denominated, the manner in which the exchange rate with respect to such payments will be determined;
- 2.2.14 if applicable, the manner in which the amounts of payment of principal of and interest, if any, on the Securities of such Series will be determined, if such amounts may be determined by reference to an index based on a currency or currencies or by reference to a commodity, commodity index, stock exchange index or other index;
  - 2.2.15 the provisions, if any, relating to any security for or guarantees of the Securities of such Series;
- 2.2.16 any additions to, deletions of or changes in the Events of Default which apply to any Securities of such Series and any change in the right of the Trustee or the requisite Holders of such Securities to declare the principal amount thereof due and payable pursuant to Section 6.2 and any change in the circumstances under which the Securities of such Series shall become due and payable automatically pursuant to Section 6.2;
  - 2.2.17 any additions to, deletions of or changes in the covenants which apply to Securities of such Series;
- 2.2.18 any other terms of the Securities of such Series (which may supplement, modify or delete any provision of this Indenture insofar as it applies to such Series);
- 2.2.19 if the Securities of such Series will be convertible into or exchangeable for shares of common stock, preferred stock or other securities of the Company or any other person, the terms and conditions upon which such Securities will be so convertible or exchangeable, including, if applicable, the conversion or exchange price or rate, how such price or rate will be calculated and may be adjusted, any mandatory or optional (at the Company's option or at the option of the Holders thereof) conversion or exchange features, and the applicable conversion or exchange period;
- 2.2.20 if the Securities of such Series will not be senior Securities, whether the Securities of such Series will be senior subordinated, subordinated or junior subordinated debt securities (or will have some other subordinated ranking) and, in that case, a description of the subordination terms thereof; and

2.2.21 if applicable, any interest rate calculation agents, exchange rate calculation agents or other agents with respect to the Securities of such Series if the trustee, paying agent or registrar of that Series is other than the Trustee initially named in this Indenture or any successor thereto, the trustee, paying agent or registrar of that Series.

All Securities of any one Series need not be issued at the same time and may be issued from time to time, if so provided by or pursuant to a Board Resolution, supplemental indenture or Officer's Certificate. Unless otherwise provided in a Board Resolution, supplemental indenture or Officer's Certificate, a Series may be reopened, from time to time, without the consent of the Holders of such Series, to issue additional Securities of such Series, having the same ranking and the same interest rate, maturity and other terms as the Securities of such Series, except for the public offering price, the issue date and, if applicable, the initial interest payment date and initial interest accrual date. Any such additional Securities, together with the initial Securities of such Series, shall constitute a single Series of Securities under this Indenture; provided that if the additional Securities are not fungible for federal income tax purposes with the initial Securities of such Series, the additional Securities shall be issued under a separate CUSIP number. No additional Securities may be issued if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing with respect to the Series of Securities of which such additional Securities would be a part.

Section 2.3 <u>Execution and Authentication.</u> One Officer shall sign the Securities for the Company by manual or other electronic (including .pdf) signature (including any electronic signature covered by the U.S. federal ESIGN Act of 2000, Uniform Electronic Transactions Act, the Electronic Signatures and Records Act or other applicable law, e.g., www.docusign.com). If an Officer whose signature is on a Security no longer holds that office at the time the Security is authenticated, then the Security shall nevertheless be valid.

A Security shall not be valid until authenticated by the manual or electronic (including .pdf) signature of the Trustee or an authenticating agent. The signature shall be conclusive evidence that the Security has been authenticated under this Indenture.

The Trustee shall at any time, and from time to time, authenticate Securities for original issue in the principal amount provided in (or in a principal amount not to exceed the principal amount provided in) a Board Resolution, supplemental indenture or Officer's Certificate, upon receipt by the Trustee of a Company Order. Such Company Order may authorize authentication and delivery pursuant to electronic instructions from the Company or its duly authorized agent or agents. If all of the Securities of any one Series are not to be originally issued at one time and if a Board Resolution, supplemental indenture or Officer's Certificate shall so permit, such Company Order may set forth the procedures for the issuance and authentication of such Securities. Each Security shall be dated the date of its authentication unless otherwise provided by a Board Resolution, supplemental indenture or Officer's Certificate.

The aggregate principal amount of Securities of any Series outstanding at any time may not exceed any limit upon the maximum principal amount for such Series set forth in the Board Resolution, supplemental indenture or Officer's Certificate delivered pursuant to Section 2.2, except as provided in such Section 2.2 or Sections 2.8 and 2.9. Prior to the issuance of Securities of any Series, the Trustee shall have received and (subject to Section 7.1), in authenticating such Securities, shall be fully protected in relying on:

- (a) A copy of the Board Resolutions in or pursuant to which the terms and form of the Securities were established, and if the terms and form of such Securities are established by an Officer's Certificate pursuant to general authorization of the Board of Directors, such Officer's Certificate:
  - (b) an executed supplemental indenture, if any;
  - (c) an Officer's Certificate delivered in accordance with Sections 10.4 and 10.5; and
  - (d) an Opinion of Counsel which shall state:
    - (1) that the form of such Securities has been established by a supplemental indenture or by or pursuant to a Board Resolution in accordance with Sections 2.1 and 2.2 and in conformity with the provisions of this Indenture;
    - (2) that the terms of such Securities have been established in accordance with Section 2.2 and in conformity with the other provisions of this Indenture; and
    - that such Securities, when authenticated and delivered by the Trustee and issued by the Company in the manner and subject to any conditions specified in such Opinion of Counsel, will constitute valid and legally binding obligations of the Company, enforceable in accordance with their terms, subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization and other laws of general applicability relating to or affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights and to general equity principles.

Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 2.2 and the preceding paragraph, if all the Securities of a Series are not to be originally issued at one time, it shall not be necessary to deliver the Board Resolution, supplemental indenture or Officer's Certificate pursuant to this Section 2.3, the Officer's Certificate complying with Section 10.4 or the Opinion of Counsel complying with Section 10.4 prior to the issuance and authentication of each Security of such Series if such documents are delivered prior to the authentication upon original issuance of the first Securities of such Series to be issued and such documents provide for the issuance of all Securities of such Series.

The Trustee shall have the right to decline to authenticate and deliver any Securities of such Series: (a) if the Trustee, being advised by counsel, determines that such action may not be taken lawfully; or (b) if the Trustee in good faith by a Responsible Officer shall determine that such action would expose the Trustee to personal liability to Holders of any then outstanding Series of Securities. The terms of the Securities as set forth in an Officer's Certificate or Board Resolution shall not adversely affect the rights, duties or protections of the Trustee as set forth herein.

The Trustee may appoint an authenticating agent acceptable to the Company to authenticate Securities. An authenticating agent may authenticate Securities whenever the Trustee may do so. Each reference in this Indenture to authentication by the Trustee includes authentication by any such authenticating agent. An authenticating agent has the same rights as an Agent to deal with the Company or an Affiliate of the Company.

Section 2.4 <u>Registrar and Paying Agent</u>. As long as any of the Securities of a Series remain outstanding, the Company shall designate and maintain an office or agency in the continental United States where the Securities of that Series may be presented for payment ("Paying Agent"), an office or agency where the Securities of that Series may be presented for registration of transfer and for exchange as in this Indenture provided ("Registrar"). The Company shall give to the Trustee written notice of the location of each such office or agency and of any change of location thereof. In case the Company shall fail to maintain any such office or agency, or shall fail to give such notice of the location or of any change in the location thereof, presentations and demands for payment and registration for transfers and exchanges may be made at the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee.

The Company hereby initially designates the office of the Trustee located at 4655 Salisbury Road, Suite 300, Jacksonville, Florida 32256, Attention: Corporate Trust Administration, as the office or agency of the Company where the Securities of each Series may be presented for payment, for registration of transfer and for exchange as in this Indenture provided.

The Registrar shall keep a register with respect to each Series of Securities and to their transfer and exchange. The term "Registrar" includes any co-registrar; the term "Paying Agent" includes any additional paying agent.

The Company may change any Registrar or Paying Agent without any notice to any Holder. The Company or any of its Subsidiaries may act as Paying Agent or Registrar.

- Section 2.5 <u>Paying Agent to Hold Money in Trust</u>. The Company shall require each Paying Agent other than the Trustee to agree in writing that the Paying Agent will hold in trust, for the benefit of Securityholders of any Series of Securities, or the Trustee, all money held by the Paying Agent for the payment of principal of or interest on such Series of Securities, and will notify the Trustee of any default by the Company in making any such payment. While any such default continues, the Trustee may require a Paying Agent to pay all money held by it to the Trustee. The Company at any time may require a Paying Agent to pay all money held by it to the Trustee. Upon payment over to the Trustee, the Paying Agent (if other than the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company) shall have no further liability for the money. If the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company acts as Paying Agent, it shall segregate and hold in trust for the benefit of Securityholders of any Series of Securities all money held by it as Paying Agent.
- Section 2.6 <u>Securityholder Lists</u>. The Trustee shall preserve in as current a form as is reasonably practicable the most recent list available to it of the names and addresses of Securityholders of each Series of Securities and shall otherwise comply with TIA § 312(a). If the Trustee is not the Registrar, then the Company shall furnish to the Trustee at least ten days before each interest payment date (or such later date as may be acceptable to the Trustee) and at such other times as the Trustee may reasonably require, of the names and addresses of Securityholders of each Series of Securities.

Section 2.7 <u>Transfer and Exchange</u>. Where Securities of a Series are presented to the Registrar with a request to register a transfer or to exchange them for an equal principal amount of Securities of the same Series of like tenor and terms, the Registrar shall register the transfer or make the exchange if its requirements for such transactions are met, in accordance with this Indenture, and, if applicable, any Board Resolution, supplemental indenture or Officer's Certificate. To permit registrations of transfers and exchanges, the Trustee shall authenticate Securities at the Registrar's request. No service charge shall be made for any registration of transfer or exchange (except as otherwise expressly permitted in this Indenture, any Security or any Board Resolution, supplemental indenture or Officer's Certificate), but the Company may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable upon exchanges pursuant to Sections 2.11, 3.7 or 9.6).

Neither the Company nor the Registrar shall be required (a) to issue, register the transfer of, or exchange Securities of any Series during the period beginning at the opening of business 15 days immediately preceding the sending of a notice of redemption of the Securities of that Series selected for redemption and ending at the close of business on the day of such mailing, or (b) to register the transfer of or exchange Securities (or portions thereof) of any Series selected, called or being called for redemption, or, if applicable, surrendered for repurchase by the Company at the option of the Holders, except any portion thereof not so selected, called, being called or surrendered.

Section 2.8 <u>Mutilated, Destroyed, Lost and Stolen Securities</u>. If any mutilated Security is surrendered to the Trustee, then the Company shall execute and the Trustee upon receipt of a Company Order shall authenticate and deliver in exchange therefor a new Security of the same Series and of like tenor, terms and principal amount and bearing a number not contemporaneously outstanding.

If there shall be delivered to the Company and the Trustee (a) evidence to their satisfaction of the destruction, loss or theft of any Security and (b) such security and/or indemnity as may be required by them to save each of them and any agent of either of them harmless, then, in the absence of notice to the Company or the Trustee that such Security has been acquired by a bona fide purchaser, the Company shall execute and, upon receipt of a Company Order, the Trustee shall authenticate and make available for delivery, in lieu of any such destroyed, lost or stolen Security, a new Security of the same Series and of like tenor, terms and principal amount and bearing a number not contemporaneously outstanding.

In case any such mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Security has become or is about to become due and payable, the Company in its discretion may, instead of issuing a new Security, pay such Security.

Upon the issuance of any new Security under this Section 2.8, the Company may require the payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in relation thereto and any other expenses (including the fees and expenses of the Trustee) connected therewith.

Every new Security of any Series issued pursuant to this Section 2.8 in lieu of any destroyed, lost or stolen Security shall constitute an original additional contractual obligation of the Company, whether or not the destroyed, lost or stolen Security shall be at any time enforceable by anyone, and shall be entitled to all of the benefits of this Indenture equally and proportionately, subject to any subordination provisions applicable to the Securities of any Series pursuant to Section 2.2, with any and all other Securities of that Series duly issued hereunder.

To the extent lawful, the provisions of this Section 2.8 are exclusive and shall preclude all other rights and remedies with respect to the replacement or payment of mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Securities.

Section 2.9 <u>Outstanding Securities</u>. The Securities outstanding at any time are all of the Securities authenticated by the Trustee except for those canceled by it, those delivered to it for cancellation, those reductions in the principal amount of a Global Security recorded by the Trustee or other custodian for such Global Security and those described in this Section 2.9 as not outstanding.

If a destroyed, lost or stolen Security is replaced pursuant to Section 2.8, it ceases to be outstanding until the Trustee receives proof satisfactory to it that the replaced Security is held by a bona fide purchaser.

If the Paying Agent (other than the Company, a Subsidiary of the Company or an Affiliate of the Company) holds on the Maturity of Securities of a Series money sufficient to pay the principal of and/or interest on such Securities payable on that date, then on and after that date such Securities cease to be outstanding and interest on them ceases to accrue.

If any Security is converted into or exchanged for common stock or other securities as contemplated by this Indenture and the terms of such Security, such Security ceases to be outstanding on the date of such conversion or exchange, as the case may be.

The Company may purchase or otherwise acquire the Securities, whether by open market purchases, negotiated transactions or otherwise. A Security does not cease to be outstanding because the Company or an Affiliate of the Company holds the Security (but see Section 2.10).

A Security does not cease to be outstanding because the Company or an Affiliate of the Company holds the Security.

In determining whether the Holders of the requisite principal amount of the outstanding Securities of a Series have concurred in or given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver or taken any other action hereunder or in respect of such Securities, the principal amount of a Discount Security that shall be deemed to be outstanding for such purposes shall be the amount of the principal thereof that would be due and payable as of the date of such determination upon acceleration of the Maturity thereof pursuant to Section 6.2.

- Section 2.10 <u>Treasury Securities</u>. In determining whether the Holders of the requisite principal amount of the outstanding Securities or outstanding Securities of a Series have concurred in or given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver or taken any other action hereunder or in respect of such Securities, Securities owned by the Company or any Affiliate of the Company shall be disregarded, except that for the purposes of determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in relying on any such request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver, only Securities that a Responsible Officer of the Trustee actually knows are so owned shall be so disregarded.
- Section 2.11 <u>Temporary Securities</u>. Until definitive Securities are ready for delivery, the Company may prepare and the Trustee shall authenticate temporary Securities upon receipt of a Company Order. Temporary Securities shall be substantially in the form of definitive Securities but may have variations that the Company considers appropriate for temporary Securities. Without unreasonable delay, the Company shall prepare and the Trustee upon receipt of a Company Order shall authenticate definitive Securities of the same Series, principal amount, tenor and terms in exchange for temporary Securities. Until so exchanged, temporary Securities shall have the same rights under this Indenture as the definitive Securities.
- Section 2.12 <u>Cancellation</u>. The Company at any time may deliver Securities to the Trustee for cancellation. The Registrar and the Paying Agent shall forward to the Trustee any Securities surrendered to them for registration of transfer, exchange or payment. The Trustee shall cancel all Securities surrendered for transfer, exchange, payment, replacement or cancellation (subject to any record retention requirement of the Exchange Act) and deliver a certificate of such cancellation to the Company upon its written request. The Company may not issue new Securities to replace Securities that it has paid or delivered to the Trustee for cancellation.
- Section 2.13 <u>Payment of Interest; Computation of Interest.</u> Except as otherwise provided as contemplated by Section 2.2 with respect to any Series of Securities, interest on any Security which is payable, and is punctually paid or duly provided for, on any interest payment date for such Security shall be paid to the person in whose name that Security (or one or more predecessor Securities) is registered at the close of business on the regular record date for such interest payment date.

Except as otherwise specified as contemplated by Section 2.2 for Securities of any Series, interest on the Securities of each Series shall be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months.

Section 2.14 <u>Defaulted Interest</u>. If the Company defaults in a payment of interest on a Series of Securities, it shall pay the defaulted interest, plus, to the extent permitted by law, any interest payable on the defaulted interest, to the persons who are Securityholders of the Series at the close of business on a subsequent special record date. The Company shall fix the special record date and payment date. At least 10 days before the special record date, the Company shall give written notice to the Trustee and to each Securityholder of the Series of the special record date, the payment date and the amount of interest to be paid. The Company may pay defaulted interest in any other lawful manner.

#### Section 2.15 Global Securities.

2.15.1 <u>Terms of Securities</u>. A Board Resolution, supplemental indenture or Officer's Certificate may establish whether the Securities of a Series shall be issued in whole or in part in the form of one or more temporary or permanent Global Securities and the Depositary for such Global Security or Securities.

2.15.2 Transfer and Exchange. Unless otherwise specified pursuant to Section 2.2 with respect to the Securities of any Series, the Global Securities of any Series shall be exchangeable pursuant to Section 2.7 for Physical Securities of such Series in an equal aggregate principal amount and of like tenor and terms registered in the names of Holders other than the Depositary for such Global Securities or its nominee only if (a) the Company receives notice from such Depositary that it is unwilling or unable to continue as Depositary for the Global Securities of such Series or if such Depositary ceases to be a clearing agency registered under the Exchange Act, and, in either case, the Company fails to appoint a successor Depositary for the Global Securities of such Series registered as a clearing agency under the Exchange Act within 90 days after the date the Company receives such notice or learns that such Depositary has ceased to be so registered, (b) the Company, in its sole discretion, determines that the Global Securities of such Series shall be exchanged (in whole but not in part) for Securities of such Series in certificated form and delivers to the Trustee an Officer's Certificate to such effect, or (c) an Event of Default with respect to the Securities of such Series shall have occurred and shall be continuing and such beneficial owner requests that its notes be issued in physical, certificated form. Any Global Security of a Series that is exchangeable pursuant to the preceding sentence shall be exchangeable for Physical Securities of the same Series registered in such names as the Depositary shall direct in writing in an aggregate principal amount equal to the principal amount of the Global Security of such Series being exchanged and with like tenor and terms. The Trustee upon receipt of a Company Order shall authenticate and make available for delivery, in exchange for a Global Security or any portion thereof being exchanged for Physical Securities, a like aggregate principal amount of Physical Securities of the same Series of authorized denominations and of like tenor and terms as the Global Security or portion thereof to be exchanged, subject, however, to the provisions of the second paragraph of Section 2.7. Promptly following any such exchange in part, such Global Security shall, at the option of the Company, either be returned by the Trustee to such Depositary (or its custodian) and the Trustee shall endorse such Global Security to reflect the decrease in the principal amount thereof resulting from such exchange or such Global Security shall be exchanged for another Global Security in a principal amount reflecting the decrease in such principal amount resulting from such exchange. If a Physical Security is issued in exchange for any portion of a Global Security after the close of business on (i) any record date for such Security and before the opening of business on the next interest payment date for such Security, or (ii) any special record date for such Security and before the opening of business on the related proposed date for payment of interest or defaulted interest thereon, as the case may be, interest shall not be payable on such interest payment date or proposed date for payment, as the case may be, in respect of such Physical Security, but shall be payable on such interest payment date or proposed date for payment, as the case may be, only to the person to whom interest in respect of such portion of such Global Security shall be payable in accordance with the provisions of this Indenture and such Security.

2.15.3 <u>Legend</u>. Any Global Security issued hereunder shall bear such legend as the Company may deem appropriate or as the Depositary may require.

2.15.4 Acts of Holders. The Depositary, as a Holder, may appoint agents, grant proxies and otherwise authorize participants in its bookentry system and others to give or take any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action which a Holder is entitled to give or take under this Indenture.

- 2.15.5 <u>Payments</u>. Notwithstanding the other provisions of this Indenture, unless otherwise specified as contemplated by Section 2.2, payment of the principal of and interest, if any, on any Global Security shall be made to the Holder thereof.
- 2.15.6 No Responsibility for Global Securities or Securities Laws. None of the Company, the Trustee, any Agent or any other agent of the Company or the Trustee will have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to or payments made on account of beneficial ownership interests of a Global Security or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to such beneficial ownership interests. Furthermore, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, neither the Trustee (in any of its capacities) nor any of its agents shall be responsible for ascertaining whether any transfer complies with the registration provisions or exemptions from the Securities Act or applicable state securities laws.
- 2.15.7 <u>Transfers</u>. The Trustee shall have no obligation or duty to monitor, determine or inquire as to compliance with any restrictions on transfer imposed under this Indenture or under applicable law with respect to any transfer of any interest in any Security (including any transfers between or among Depositary participants or beneficial owners of interests in any Global Security) other than to require delivery of such certificates and other documentation or evidence as are expressly required by, and to do so if and when expressly required by the terms of, this Indenture, and to examine the same to determine substantial compliance as to form with the express requirements hereof.
  - 2.15.8 Depositary. Neither the Trustee nor any Agent shall have any responsibility for any actions taken or not taken by the Depositary.
- Section 2.16 <u>Persons Deemed Owners.</u> Prior to due presentment of a Security for registration of transfer, the Company, the Trustee, any Agent or any other agent of the Company or the Trustee may treat the person in whose name such Security is registered in the register maintained by the Registrar for the Securities of such Series as the owner of such Security for the purpose of receiving payment of principal of and interest on such Security and for all other purposes whatsoever, whether or not any payment with respect to such Security shall be overdue, and neither the Company, the Trustee, any Agent or any other agent of the Company or the Trustee shall be affected by notice to the contrary.
- Section 2.17 <u>CUSIP Numbers</u>. The Company in issuing the Securities may use "CUSIP" numbers (if then generally in use), and, if so, the Trustee shall use "CUSIP" numbers in notices of redemption as a convenience to Holders; <u>provided</u> that any such notice may state that no representation is made as to the correctness of such numbers either as printed on the Securities or as contained in any notice of a redemption and that reliance may be placed only on the other elements of identification printed on the Securities, and any such redemption shall not be affected by any defect in or omission of such numbers.

### ARTICLE 3. REDEMPTION

- Section 3.1 <u>Applicability of Article</u>. If provision is made for redemption of Securities of any Series before their Stated Maturity pursuant to Section 2.2, then the Securities of such Series shall be redeemable in accordance with their terms and, except as otherwise specified as contemplated in Section 2.2, in accordance with this Article 3.
- Section 3.2 Notice to Trustee. The Company may, with respect to any Series of Securities, have the option to redeem and pay the Series of Securities or may covenant to redeem and pay the Series of Securities or any part thereof prior to the Stated Maturity thereof at such time and on such terms as provided for in such Securities or pursuant to Section 2.2. If a Series of Securities is redeemable and the Company wants or is obligated to redeem prior to the Stated Maturity thereof all or part of the Series of Securities pursuant to the terms of such Securities, it shall notify the Trustee of the redemption date and the principal amount of Series of Securities to be redeemed. The Company shall give the notice at least 45 days before the redemption date (or such shorter notice as may be acceptable to the Trustee).
- Section 3.3 Selection of Securities to be Redeemed. Unless otherwise provided for a particular Series pursuant to Section 2.2, if less than all of the Securities of a Series are to be redeemed, then, in the case of Securities of such Series evidenced by one or more Global Securities, the Securities of such Series (or portions thereof) to be redeemed shall be selected in accordance with the procedures of the Depositary and, in the case of Securities of such Series evidenced by Physical Securities, the Securities of the Series (or portions thereof) to be redeemed shall be selected by lot, and, in each case, the Securities of such Series (or portions thereof) to be redeemed shall be selected from Securities of the Series outstanding not previously called for redemption. Unless otherwise provided for a particular Series pursuant to Section 2.2, Securities of the Series may be selected for redemption in whole or in part in a minimum denomination of \$2,000 in principal amount and integral multiples of \$1,000 in principal amount in excess thereof; provided that the remaining principal amount of any Security redeemed in part shall be an authorized denomination. Provisions of this Indenture that apply to Securities of a Series called for redemption also apply to portions of Securities of that Series called for redemption. In the event that all of the Securities of any Series do not have the same tenor or other terms, then the Company may specify, by Company Order delivered to the Trustee that the selection of Securities to be redeemed shall be made from Securities of such Series having the same tenor or other terms.
- Section 3.4 <u>Notice of Redemption</u>. Unless otherwise provided for a particular Series pursuant to Section 2.2, at least 10 days but not more than 60 days before a redemption date, the Company shall give written notice of redemption (which may be by first-class mail, overnight courier, hand delivery, email or other electronic transmission) to each Holder whose Securities are to be redeemed, with a copy to the Trustee.

The notice shall identify the Securities of the Series to be redeemed and (except, in the case of Global Securities, as may otherwise be required by the procedures of the applicable Depositary) shall state:

(a) the redemption date;

- (b) the redemption price;
- (c) the name and address of the Paying Agent;
- (d) that Securities of the Series called for redemption must be surrendered to the Paying Agent to collect the redemption price;
- (e) that on the redemption date, the redemption price will become due and payable upon each such Security to be redeemed and that interest on Securities of the Series or portions thereof called for redemption ceases to accrue on and after the redemption date;
- (f) if less than all of the outstanding Securities of any Series are to be redeemed (unless all of the Securities of such Series of a specified tenor and terms are to be redeemed), the identification (and, in the case of partial redemption, the principal amounts) of the particular Securities to be redeemed;
  - (g) the CUSIP number, if any; and
  - (h) any other information as may be required by the terms of the particular Series or the Securities of a Series being redeemed.

At the Company's written request, the Trustee shall give the notice of redemption which shall be prepared by the Company in the Company's name and at its expense; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the Company has delivered to the Trustee, at least 10 days (unless a shorter time shall be acceptable to the Trustee) prior to the notice date an Officer's Certificate requesting that the Trustee give such notice and setting forth the information to be stated in such notice.

- Section 3.5 <u>Effect of Notice of Redemption</u>. Once notice of redemption is sent or given as provided in Section 3.4, Securities of a Series or portions thereof called for redemption become due and payable on the redemption date and at the redemption price and, unless the Company defaults in the payment of such redemption price, on and after that redemption date interest shall cease to accrue on the Securities of such Series and portions thereof called for redemption. Unless otherwise provided pursuant to Section 2.2, a notice of redemption may not be conditional. Upon surrender to the Paying Agent, such Securities shall be paid at the redemption price plus accrued and unpaid interest to, but not including, the redemption date; <u>provided</u> that, unless otherwise provided pursuant to Section 2.2, installments of interest whose Stated Maturity is on or prior to the redemption date shall be payable to the Holders of such Securities (or one or more predecessor Securities) registered as such at the close of business on the relevant record date therefor according to their terms and the terms of this Indenture.
- Section 3.6 <u>Deposit of Redemption Price</u>. On or before 11:00 a.m., New York City time, on the redemption date, the Company shall deposit with the Paying Agent money sufficient to pay the redemption price of and accrued and unpaid interest, if any, on all Securities to be redeemed on that date.
- Section 3.7 <u>Securities Redeemed in Part.</u> Upon surrender of a Physical Security that is redeemed in part, the Trustee shall authenticate for the Holder a new Security of the same Series and the same tenor and terms equal in principal amount to the unredeemed portion of the Security surrendered.

## ARTICLE 4. COVENANTS

Section 4.1 <u>Payment of Principal and Interest</u>. The Company covenants and agrees, for the benefit of the Holders of each Series of Securities, that it will duly and punctually pay the principal of and interest, if any, on the Securities of that Series in accordance with the terms of such Securities and this Indenture.

SEC Reports. The Company covenants and agrees, for the benefit of the Holders of the Securities of each Series, to provide Section 4.2 (which delivery may be via electronic mail) to the Trustee within 15 days, after the Company is required to file the same with the SEC, copies of the annual reports and of the information, documents and other reports (or copies of such portions of any of the foregoing as the SEC may from time to time by rules and regulations prescribe) that the Company is required to file with the SEC pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act or pursuant to TIA § 314; provided, however, that the Company shall not be required to deliver to the Trustee any materials for which the Company has sought and received confidential treatment by the SEC; and provided, further, that annual reports, information, documents and reports that are filed by the Company with the SEC via the EDGAR system or any successor electronic delivery procedure will be deemed to be filed with the Trustee at the time such documents are filed via the EDGAR system or such successor procedure for purposes of this Section 4.2 without any further action required by the Company. The Company also shall comply with the other provisions of TIA § 314(a). For the avoidance of doubt, nothing in this Section 4.2 shall require the Company to file any annual reports or information, documents or other reports with the SEC and, without limitation to the foregoing and anything in this Indenture to the contrary notwithstanding, any failure by the Company to file any annual reports, information, documents or other reports with the SEC within the time periods prescribed therefor by the SEC, or at all, shall not be deemed a breach of this Section 4.2. Delivery of such information, documents and reports to the Trustee is for informational purposes only and the Trustee's receipt of such shall not constitute constructive or actual knowledge or notice of any information contained therein or determinable from information contained therein, including the Company's compliance with any of its covenants hereunder (as to which the Trustee is entitled to conclusively rely upon an Officer's Certificate). If the Company shall fail to provide any annual report, information, document or other report (or any portion thereof) to the Trustee by the date, or otherwise in the manner, required by this Section 4.2, but the Company thereafter provides such annual report, information, document or other report (or such portion thereof), as the case may be, to the Trustee, then any default, Default or Event of Default resulting from the failure to provide such annual report, information, document or other report (or portion thereof) to the Trustee shall be deemed to have been cured.

Section 4.3 <u>Compliance Certificate</u>. The Company covenants and agrees, for the benefit of the Holders of the Securities of each Series, that, it will deliver to the Trustee, within 120 days after the end of each fiscal year of the Company, an Officer's Certificate (one of the signers of which shall include the Company's Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer or Chief Accounting Officer) stating whether or not, to the knowledge of the signers thereof, the Company is in default in the performance or observance of any of the terms, provisions and conditions of this Indenture (without regard to notice requirements or periods of grace) and if the Company shall be in default, specifying all such defaults and the nature and status thereof of which he or she may have knowledge.

The Company will, so long as any of the Securities are outstanding, deliver to the Trustee, promptly upon becoming aware of any Default or Event of Default, an Officer's Certificate specifying such Default or Event of Default and what action the Company is taking or proposes to take with respect thereto.

- Section 4.4 <u>Stay, Extension and Usury Laws</u>. The Company covenants (to the extent that it may lawfully do so), for the benefit of the Holders of Securities of each Series, that it will not at any time insist upon, plead, or in any manner whatsoever claim or take the benefit or advantage of, any stay, extension or usury law wherever enacted, now or at any time hereafter in force, which may affect the covenants or the performance of this Indenture or the Securities; and the Company (to the extent it may lawfully do so) hereby expressly waives all benefit or advantage of any such law and covenants (to the extent it may lawfully do so) that it will not, by resort to any such law, hinder, delay or impede the execution of any power herein granted to the Trustee, but will (to the extent it may lawfully do so) suffer and permit the execution of every such power as though no such law has been enacted.
- Section 4.5 <u>Existence</u>. The Company covenants and agrees, for the benefit of the Holders of Securities of each Series, that, subject to Article 5, the Company will do or cause to be done all things necessary to preserve and keep in full force and effect its existence as a corporation or other legal entity, as applicable and the Company shall provide written notice to the Trustee of any change in name or formation of the Company.

## ARTICLE 5. SUCCESSORS

- Section 5.1 <u>When Company May Merge, Etc.</u> The Company covenants and agrees, for the benefit of the Holders of the Securities of each Series, that the Company shall not merge into or consolidate with, or sell, convey, transfer or otherwise dispose of all or substantially all of its assets to, any person (a "successor person") (other than a subsidiary) unless:
- (a) either the Company is the continuing person or the successor person is a corporation, limited liability company or other entity organized and existing under the laws of the United States of America or any State thereof or the District of Columbia that pursuant to a supplemental indenture hereto expressly assumes all of the Company's obligations under this Indenture and the Securities of each Series; <u>provided</u> that, in the event that the successor person is not a corporation, another Person that is a corporation shall expressly assume, as co-obligor with that successor person, all of our obligations under this Indenture and the Securities of each Series;
- (b) immediately after that merger or consolidation, or that sale, conveyance, transfer or other disposition, no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing; and

(c) the Company has delivered to the Trustee an Officer's Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel, each stating that the merger, consolidation, sale, conveyance, transfer or other disposition and that supplemental indenture (if any) comply with this Indenture and, with respect to such opinion of counsel, that such supplemental indenture (if any) is authorized or permitted by the indenture and is the legal, valid and binding obligation of such successor person.

Notwithstanding the above, any Subsidiary of the Company may consolidate with, merge into or convey, transfer or lease all or any part of its properties or assets to the Company or any of the Company's Subsidiaries. Neither an Officer's Certificate nor an Opinion of Counsel shall be required to be delivered in connection therewith.

For the avoidance of doubt and anything in this Indenture to the contrary notwithstanding, this Section 5.1 will not apply to any transfer of loan receivables, on customary terms and in the ordinary course of business, directly or indirectly to the Company's securitization entities in connection with the Company's securitization financing facilities.

Section 5.2 <u>Successor Person Substituted.</u> Upon any merger, consolidation, sale, conveyance (other than by way of lease), transfer or other disposition, and upon any such assumption by the successor person or persons, such successor person or persons shall succeed to and be substituted for the Company, with the same effect as if it or they had been named as the Company herein, and the Company shall be relieved of any further obligations under this Indenture and the Securities of each Series and the predecessor company may be dissolved, wound up and liquidated at any time thereafter.

## ARTICLE 6. DEFAULTS AND REMEDIES

- Section 6.1 <u>Events of Default</u>. "Event of Default," wherever used herein with respect to Securities of any Series, means any one of the following events, unless otherwise provided as contemplated by Section 2.2:
- (a) default in the payment of any installment of interest on any Security of that Series when due and payable, and the continuance of such default for a period of 30 days; or
- (b) default in the payment of the principal of any Security of that Series when due and payable (whether at Maturity, upon redemption, or otherwise); or
- (c) failure to observe or perform any other covenants or agreements in this Indenture in respect of the Securities of that Series, which failure continues for 90 days after written notice to the Company, requiring the Company to remedy the same, from the Trustee or Holders of at least 25% of the outstanding principal amount of the Securities of that Series as provided herein; or
- (d) (i) a failure to make any payment at Maturity, including any applicable grace period, on any of the Company's indebtedness (other than indebtedness which the Company owes to any of its Subsidiaries) outstanding in an amount in excess of \$100 million or (ii) a default on any of the Company's indebtedness (other than indebtedness which the Company owes to any of its Subsidiaries), which default results in the acceleration of such indebtedness in an amount in excess of \$100 million without such indebtedness having been discharged or the acceleration having been cured, waived, rescinded or annulled, in the case of clause (i) or (ii) above, for a period of 30 days after written notice thereof to the Company by the Trustee or to the Company and the Trustee by the Holders of not less than 25% in principal amount of the outstanding Securities (including any additional Securities); provided, however, that if any failure, default or acceleration referred to in clause (i) or (ii) above ceases or is cured, waived, rescinded or annulled, then the Event of Default will be deemed cured; or

- (e) the Company pursuant to or within the meaning of any Bankruptcy Law:
  - (i) commences a voluntary case,
  - (ii) consents to the entry of an order for relief against it in an involuntary case,
  - (iii) consents to the appointment of a Custodian of it or for all or substantially all of its property,
  - (iv) makes a general assignment for the benefit of its creditors, or
  - (v) admits in writing its inability generally to pay its debts as the same become due; or
- (f) a court of competent jurisdiction enters an order or decree under any Bankruptcy Law that:
  - (i) is for relief against the Company in an involuntary case,
  - (ii) appoints a Custodian of the Company of it or for all or substantially all of its property, or
  - (iii) orders the liquidation of the Company,

and the order or decree remains unstayed and in effect for 90 days; or

(g) any other Event of Default provided with respect to Securities of that Series, which is specified in a Board Resolution, supplemental indenture or Officer's Certificate, in accordance with Section 2.2.

The term "Bankruptcy Law" means title 11, U.S. Code or any similar federal or state law for the relief of debtors. The term "Custodian" means any receiver, trustee, assignee, liquidator or similar official under any Bankruptcy Law.

Section 6.2 <u>Acceleration of Maturity; Rescission and Annulment.</u> If an Event of Default with respect to Securities of any Series at the time outstanding occurs and is continuing (other than an Event of Default referred to in Section 6.1(e) or (f)), then in every such case the Trustee or the Holders of not less than 25% in principal amount of the outstanding Securities of that Series may declare the principal (or, if any Securities of that Series are Discount Securities, such portion of the principal as may be specified in the terms of such Securities) of all of the Securities of that Series to be due and payable immediately, by a notice in writing to the Company (and to the Trustee if given by Holders), and upon any such declaration such principal (or specified amount) shall become immediately due and payable. If an Event of Default specified in Section 6.1(e) or (f) occurs and is continuing with respect to the Securities of any Series, the principal (or, if any Securities of that Series are Discount Securities, such portion of the principal as may be specified in the terms of such Securities) of all outstanding Securities of such Series shall *ipso facto* become and be immediately due and payable without further action or notice on the part of the Trustee or any Holder of Securities of such Series.

At any time after the principal amount of all outstanding Securities of any Series shall have been so declared or otherwise become due and payable, and before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due shall have been obtained by the Trustee as hereinafter in this Article provided, the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the outstanding Securities of that Series, by written notice to the Company and the Trustee, may rescind and annul that declaration or acceleration and its consequences if all Events of Default with respect to Securities of that Series, other than the non-payment of the principal and interest, if any, of Securities of that Series which have become due solely by such acceleration, have been cured or has been waived as provided in Section 6.13.

No such rescission shall affect any subsequent Default or impair any right consequent thereon.

- Section 6.3 <u>Collection of Indebtedness and Suits for Enforcement by Trustee</u>. The Company covenants that if
- (a) default is made in the payment of any interest on any Security when such interest becomes due and payable and such default continues for a period of 30 days (unless the entire amount of such payment is deposited by the Company with the Trustee or with a Paying Agent prior to the expiration of such 30-day period); or
  - (b) default is made in the payment of principal of any Security when due and payable; or
  - (c) default is made in the deposit of any sinking fund payment when and as due by the terms of a Security,

then, the Company will, upon demand of the Trustee, pay to it, for the benefit of the Holders of such Securities, the whole amount then due and payable on such Securities for principal and interest and, to the extent that payment of such interest shall be permitted by law, interest on any overdue principal and any overdue interest at the rate or rates prescribed therefor in such Securities, and, in addition thereto, such further amount as shall be sufficient to cover the costs and expenses of collection, including the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee, its agents and counsel.

If the Company fails to pay such amounts forthwith upon such demand, the Trustee, in its own name and as trustee of an express trust, may institute a judicial proceeding for the collection of the sums so due and unpaid, may prosecute such proceeding to judgment or final decree and may enforce the same against the Company or any other obligor upon such Securities and collect the moneys adjudged or deemed to be payable in the manner provided by law out of the property of the Company or any other obligor upon such Securities, wherever situated.

If an Event of Default with respect to any Securities of any Series occurs and is continuing, the Trustee may in its discretion proceed to protect and enforce its rights and the rights of the Holders of Securities of such Series by such appropriate judicial proceedings as the Trustee shall deem most effectual to protect and enforce any such rights, whether for the specific enforcement of any covenant or agreement in this Indenture or in aid of the exercise of any power granted herein, or to enforce any other proper remedy.

- Section 6.4 <u>Trustee May File Proofs of Claim</u>. In case of the pendency of any receivership, insolvency, liquidation, bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, composition or other similar judicial proceeding relative to the Company or any other obligor upon the Securities of any Series or the property of the Company or of such other obligor or their creditors, the Trustee (irrespective of whether the principal of the Securities of such Series shall then be due and payable as therein expressed or by declaration or otherwise and irrespective of whether the Trustee shall have made any demand on the Company for the payment of overdue principal or interest) shall be entitled and empowered, by intervention in such proceeding or otherwise,
- (a) to file and prove a claim for the whole amount of principal and interest owing and unpaid in respect of the Securities of such Series and to file such other papers or documents as may be necessary or advisable in order to have the claims of the Trustee (including any claim for the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee, its agents and counsel) and of the Holders allowed in such judicial proceeding; and
  - (b) to collect and receive any moneys or other property payable or deliverable on any such claims and to distribute the same,

and any custodian, receiver, assignee, trustee, liquidator, sequestrator or other similar official in any such judicial proceeding is hereby authorized by each Holder to make such payments to the Trustee and, in the event that the Trustee shall consent to the making of such payments directly to the Holders, to pay to the Trustee any amount due it for the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee, its agents and counsel, and any other amounts due the Trustee under Section 7.7.

Nothing herein contained shall be deemed to authorize the Trustee to authorize or consent to or accept or adopt on behalf of any Holder any plan of reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or composition affecting the Securities or the rights of any Holder thereof or to authorize the Trustee to vote in respect of the claim of any Holder in any such proceeding.

Section 6.5 <u>Trustee May Enforce Claims Without Possession of Securities.</u> All rights of action and claims under this Indenture or the Securities may be prosecuted and enforced by the Trustee without the possession of any of the Securities or the production thereof in any proceeding relating thereto, and any such proceeding instituted by the Trustee shall be brought in its own name as trustee of an express trust, and any recovery of judgment shall, after provision for the payment of the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee, its agents and counsel, be for the ratable benefit of the Holders of the Securities in respect of which such judgment has been recovered.

Section 6.6 <u>Application of Money Collected</u>. Any money collected by the Trustee after the occurrence and continuation of an Event of Default shall be applied in the following order, at the date or dates fixed by the Trustee and, in case of the distribution of such money on account of principal or interest, upon presentation of the Securities and the notation thereon of the payment if only partially paid and upon surrender thereof if fully paid:

First: To the payment of all amounts due the Trustee, its agents and counsel under Section 7.7; and

Second: To the payment of the amounts then due and unpaid for principal of and interest, if any, on the Securities in respect of which or for the benefit of which such money has been collected, ratably, without preference or priority of any kind, according to the amounts due and payable on such Securities for principal and interest; and

Third: To the Company.

- Section 6.7 <u>Limitation on Suits.</u> No Holder of any Security of any Series shall have any right to institute any proceeding, judicial or otherwise, with respect to this Indenture or the Securities of such Series, or for the appointment of a receiver, trustee or similar official, or for any other remedy hereunder, unless
- (a) such Holder has previously given written notice to the Trustee of a continuing Event of Default with respect to the Securities of that Series;
- (b) the Holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the outstanding Securities of that Series shall have made written request to the Trustee to institute proceedings in respect of such Event of Default in its own name as Trustee hereunder;
- (c) such Holder or Holders have offered to the Trustee indemnity satisfactory to it in its reasonable judgment against the costs, expenses and liabilities to be incurred in compliance with such request;
- (d) the Trustee for 90 days after its receipt of such notice, request and offer of indemnity has failed to institute any such proceeding; and
- (e) no direction inconsistent with such written request has been given to the Trustee during such 90-day period by the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the outstanding Securities of that Series;

it being understood and intended that no one or more of such Holders shall have any right in any manner whatever by virtue of, or by availing of, any provision of this Indenture to affect, disturb or prejudice the rights of any other of such Holders, or to obtain or to seek to obtain priority or preference over any other of such Holders or to enforce any right under this Indenture, except in the manner herein provided and for the equal and ratable benefit of all such Holders (it being understood that the Trustee does not have an affirmative duty to ascertain whether or not such actions or forbearances are unduly prejudicial to such Holders).

- Section 6.8 <u>Unconditional Right of Holders to Receive Principal and Interest.</u> Notwithstanding any other provision in this Indenture, the right of any Holder of any Security to receive payment of the principal of, and any interest on, such Security at the place, time, rates and in the currency expressed in such Security, or to institute any suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after such respective dates, shall not be impaired or affected without the consent of such Holder.
- Section 6.9 <u>Restoration of Rights and Remedies</u>. If the Trustee or any Holder has instituted any proceeding to enforce any right or remedy under this Indenture and such proceeding has been discontinued or abandoned for any reason, or has been determined adversely to the Trustee or to such Holder, then and, in every such case, subject to any determination in such proceeding and to the extent permitted by applicable law, the Company, the Trustee and the Holders shall be restored severally and respectively to their former positions hereunder and thereafter all rights and remedies of the Trustee and the Holders shall continue as though no such proceeding had been instituted.
- Section 6.10 <u>Rights and Remedies Cumulative</u>. Except as otherwise provided with respect to the replacement or payment of mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Securities in Section 2.8, to the extent permitted by applicable law, no right or remedy herein conferred upon or reserved to the Trustee or to the Holders is intended to be exclusive of any other right or remedy and every right and remedy shall, to the extent permitted by applicable law, be cumulative and in addition to every other right and remedy given hereunder or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or otherwise. The assertion or employment of any right or remedy hereunder, or otherwise, shall not, to the extent permitted by applicable law, prevent the concurrent assertion or employment of any other appropriate right or remedy.
- Section 6.11 <u>Delay or Omission Not Waiver</u>. To the extent permitted by applicable law, no delay or omission of the Trustee or of any Holder of any Securities to exercise any right or remedy accruing upon any Event of Default shall impair any such right or remedy or constitute a waiver of any such Event of Default or an acquiescence therein and every right and remedy given by this Article or by law to the Trustee or to the Holders may be exercised from time to time, and as often as may be deemed expedient, by the Trustee or by the Holders, as the case may be.
- Section 6.12 <u>Control by Holders</u>. The Holders of a majority in principal amount of the outstanding Securities of any Series shall have the right to direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee, or exercising any trust or power conferred on the Trustee, with respect to the Securities of such Series; <u>provided</u> that
  - (a) such direction shall not be in conflict with any rule of law or with this Indenture;
  - (b) the Trustee may take any other action deemed proper by the Trustee which is not inconsistent with such direction;

- (c) the Trustee shall have the right to decline to follow any such direction if the Trustee in good faith shall, by a Responsible Officer of the Trustee, determine that the proceeding so directed would involve the Trustee in personal liability; and
- (d) and the Holders shall have offered to the Trustee security and/or indemnity satisfactory to it in its sole discretion against the costs, expenses and liabilities which might be incurred by it in compliance with such request or direction.
- Section 6.13 <u>Waiver of Past Defaults</u>. The Holders of not less than a majority in principal amount of the outstanding Securities of any Series may (including by consents obtained in connection with a tender offer or exchange offer for the Securities of such Series), on behalf of the Holders of all of the Securities of such Series, waive any past Default hereunder with respect to the Securities of such Series and its consequences, except a Default in the payment of the principal of or interest, if any, on any Security of such Series (<u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the outstanding Securities of any Series may rescind an acceleration of the Securities of that Series and its consequences, including any related payment default that resulted from such acceleration). Upon any such waiver, such Default shall cease to exist, and any Event of Default arising therefrom shall be deemed to have been cured, for every purpose of this Indenture; but, to the extent permitted by applicable law, no such waiver shall extend to any subsequent or other Default or impair any right consequent thereon.
- Section 6.14 <u>Undertaking for Costs.</u> All parties to this Indenture agree, and each Holder of any Security by his acceptance thereof shall be deemed to have agreed, that any court may in its discretion require, in any suit for the enforcement of any right or remedy under this Indenture, or in any suit against the Trustee for any action taken, suffered or omitted by it as Trustee, the filing by any party litigant in such suit of an undertaking to pay the costs of such suit, and that such court may in its discretion assess reasonable costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses, against any party litigant in such suit, having due regard to the merits and good faith of the claims or defenses made by such party litigant; but the provisions of this Section 6.14 shall not apply to any suit instituted by the Company, to any suit instituted by the Trustee, to any suit instituted by any Holder, or group of Holders, holding in the aggregate more than 10% in principal amount of the outstanding Securities of any Series, or to any suit instituted by any Holder for the enforcement of the payment of the principal of or interest on any Security on or after the respective due dates expressed in such Security.

#### ARTICLE 7. TRUSTEE

- Section 7.1 <u>Duties of Trustee</u>. (a) If an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, then the Trustee shall exercise the rights and powers vested in it by this Indenture and use the same degree of care and skill in their exercise as a prudent person would exercise or use under the circumstances in the conduct of his or her own affairs.
  - (b) Except during the continuance of an Event of Default:
  - (i) The Trustee need perform only those duties that are specifically set forth in this Indenture, and no implied covenants or obligations shall be read into this Indenture against the Trustee; and
  - (ii) In the absence of bad faith on its part, the Trustee may conclusively rely, as to the truth of the statements and the correctness of the opinions expressed therein, upon Officer's Certificates or Opinions of Counsel furnished to the Trustee and conforming to the requirements of this Indenture; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that in the case of any such Officer's Certificates or Opinions of Counsel which by any provisions hereof are specifically required to be furnished to the Trustee, the Trustee shall examine such Officer's Certificates and Opinions of Counsel to determine whether or not they conform to the requirements of this Indenture (but need not confirm or investigate the accuracy of mathematical calculations or other facts stated therein).
- (c) The Trustee may not be relieved from liability for its own negligent action, its own negligent failure to act or its own willful misconduct, except that:
  - (i) This paragraph does not limit the effect of Subsection 7.1(b).
  - (ii) The Trustee shall not be liable for any error of judgment made in good faith by a Responsible Officer, unless it is proved that the Responsible Officer was negligent in ascertaining the pertinent facts.
  - (iii) The Trustee shall not be liable with respect to any action taken, suffered or omitted to be taken by it with respect to Securities of any Series in good faith in accordance with the direction of the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the outstanding Securities of any Series relating to the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee, or exercising any trust or power conferred upon the Trustee, under this Indenture with respect to the Securities of such Series.
  - (iv) No provision of this Indenture shall require the Trustee to expend or risk its own funds or otherwise incur any financial liability in the performance of any of its duties hereunder, or in the exercise of any of its rights or powers, if it shall have reasonable grounds for believing that repayment of such funds or adequate indemnity against such risk is not reasonably assured to it.
  - (d) Every provision of this Indenture that in any way relates to the Trustee is subject to this Section and Section 7.2.

- (e) The Trustee shall not be liable for interest on any money received by it except as the Trustee may agree to in writing with the Company. Money held in trust by the Trustee need not be segregated from other funds except to the extent required by law.
- (f) The Paying Agent, the Registrar and any authenticating agent shall be entitled to the protections, immunities and standard of care as are set forth in paragraphs (b) through (e) of this Section 7.1 and Section 7.2 with respect to the Trustee.
- Section 7.2 <u>Rights of Trustee</u>. (a) The Trustee may conclusively rely on and shall be protected in acting or refraining from acting upon any document believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper person. The Trustee need not investigate any fact or matter stated in the document.
- (b) Before the Trustee acts or refrains from acting, it may require an Officer's Certificate or an Opinion of Counsel or both. The Trustee shall not be liable for any action it takes or omits to take in good faith in reliance on such Officer's Certificate or Opinion of Counsel or both.
- (c) The Trustee may act through agents and shall not be responsible for the misconduct or negligence of any agent appointed with due care. No Depositary shall be deemed an agent of the Trustee and the Trustee shall not be responsible for any act or omission by any Depositary.
- (d) The Trustee shall not be liable for any action it takes or omits to take in good faith which it believes to be authorized or within its rights or powers conferred upon it by this Indenture.
- (e) The Trustee may consult with counsel of its selection, and the advice of such counsel or any Opinion of Counsel shall be full and complete authorization and protection in respect of any action taken, suffered or omitted by it hereunder and in good faith and in reliance thereon.
- (f) The Trustee shall be under no obligation to exercise any of the rights or powers vested in it by this Indenture at the request, order or direction of any of the Holders of Securities of any Series unless such Holders shall have offered to the Trustee security and/or indemnity satisfactory to it in its sole discretion against the costs, expenses and liabilities which might be incurred by it in compliance with such request or direction.
- (g) The Trustee shall not be bound to make any investigation into the facts or matters stated in any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, bond, debenture, note, other evidence of indebtedness or other paper or document, but the Trustee, in its discretion, may make such further inquiry or investigation into such facts or matters as it may see fit.
- (h) The Trustee shall not be deemed to have notice of any Default or Event of Default unless written notice of any event which is in fact such a default is received by a Responsible Officer of the Trustee at the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee, and such notice references the Securities generally or the Securities of a particular Series and this Indenture and indicates it is a "notice of default."

- (i) The rights, privileges, protections, immunities and benefits given to the Trustee, including its right to be indemnified, are extended to, and shall be enforceable by, the Trustee in each of its capacities hereunder, including as an Agent, and each agent, custodian and other Person employed to act hereunder.
- (j) Any action taken, or omitted to be taken, by the Trustee in good faith pursuant to this Indenture upon the request or authority or consent of any person who, at the time of making such request or giving such authority or consent, is the Holder of any Security shall be conclusive and binding upon future Holders of such Securities and upon any Security executed and delivered in exchange therefor or in place thereof.
- (k) In no event shall the Trustee be responsible or liable for punitive, special, indirect or consequential loss or damage of any kind whatsoever (including, but not limited to, loss of profit) irrespective of whether the Trustee has been advised of the likelihood of such loss or damage and regardless of the form of actions.
- (l) The Trustee shall not be required to give any bond or surety in respect of the execution of the trusts and powers under this Indenture.
- (m) Any permissive right of the Trustee to take or refrain from taking actions enumerated in this Indenture or the Securities shall not be construed as a duty.
  - (n) Nothing herein shall be deemed to require the Trustee to submit to the jurisdiction or venue of a non-U.S. court.
  - (o) The Trustee is not responsible for monitoring the performance by any third party of their duties or for their failure to perform.
- (p) Nothing herein shall be construed to impose an obligation on the part of the Trustee to monitor, recalculate, evaluate or verify any report, certificate or information received from the Company or any other Person (unless and except to the extent otherwise expressly set forth herein), or to monitor, verify or independently determine compliance by the Company with the terms hereof.
- (q) The Trustee may request that the Company deliver a certificate setting forth the names of individuals and/or titles of officers authorized at such time to take specified actions pursuant to this Indenture.
- Section 7.3 <u>Individual Rights of Trustee</u>. The Trustee in its individual or any other capacity may become the owner or pledgee of Securities and may otherwise deal with the Company or an Affiliate of the Company with the same rights it would have if it were not Trustee. Any Agent may do the same with like rights. The Trustee is also subject to Sections 7.10 and 7.11.
- Section 7.4 <u>Trustee's Disclaimer.</u> The Trustee makes no representation as to the validity or adequacy of this Indenture or the Securities, it shall not be accountable for the Company's use of the proceeds from the Securities, and it shall not be responsible for any statement in the Securities other than its certificate of authentication.

Section 7.5 Notice of Defaults. If a Default or Event of Default occurs and is continuing with respect to the Securities of any Series and if a Responsible Officer of the Trustee receives written notice of such Default or Event of Default, the Trustee shall send to each Securityholder of the Securities of that Series notice of a Default or Event of Default within 90 days after receipt of such notice, unless such Default or Event of Default shall have been cured or waived; provided, further, that in the case of any Default of the character specified in Section 6.1(d), no such notice to Holder shall be given until at least 30 days after the occurrence thereof. Except in the case of a Default or Event of Default in payment of principal of or interest on any Security of any Series, the Trustee may withhold the notice if and so long as a committee of its Responsible Officers in good faith determines that withholding the notice is in the interests of Securityholders of that Series.

Section 7.6 Reports by Trustee to Holders. Within 60 days after [DATE] in each year, commencing [DATE], the Trustee shall transmit by mail to all Securityholders, as their names and addresses appear on the register kept by the Registrar, a brief report dated as of such [DATE], in accordance with, and to the extent required under, TIA § 313.

A copy of each report at the time of its mailing to Securityholders of any Series shall be filed with the SEC and each stock exchange on which the Securities of that Series are listed. The Company shall promptly notify the Trustee when Securities of any Series are listed on any stock exchange.

Section 7.7 <u>Compensation and Indemnity</u>. The Company shall pay to the Trustee from time to time compensation for its services as the Company and the Trustee shall from time to time agree upon in writing. The Trustee's compensation shall not be limited by any law on compensation of a trustee of an express trust. The Company shall reimburse the Trustee upon request for all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Trustee in the performance of its duties under this Indenture, as Trustee or Agent. Such expenses shall include the reasonable compensation and expenses of the Trustee's agents and counsel.

The Company shall indemnify each of the Trustee or any predecessor Trustee and their agents for, and to hold them harmless against, any and all loss, damage, claims, liability or expense, including taxes (other than taxes based upon, measured by or determined by the income of the Trustee), arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of the trust or trusts hereunder, including the costs and expenses of defending itself against any claim (whether asserted by the Company, or any Holder or any other Person) or liability in connection with the exercise or performance of any of its powers or duties hereunder, or in connection with enforcing the provisions of this Section, except to the extent that such loss, damage, claim, liability or expense is due to its own negligence or willful misconduct. The Company shall have the right, but not the obligation, to assume sole control of the defense, settlement or disposition thereof, including, without limitation, the selection of defense counsel. The Trustee shall fully cooperate with the Company in the defense and settlement of all such third-party claims. The Trustee shall have the right to employ separate counsel in any such action or proceeding and participate in the investigation and defense thereof, and the Company shall pay the reasonable fees and expenses of such separate counsel; provided, however, that the Trustee may only employ separate counsel at the expense of the Company if in the judgment of the Trustee (i) a conflict of interest exists by reason of common representation or (ii) there are legal defenses available to the Trustee that are different from or are in addition to those available to the Company or if all parties commonly represented do not agree as to the action (or inaction) of counsel. The obligations of the Company under this Section 7.7 shall be secured by a senior claim to which the Securities are hereby made subordinate on all money or property held or collected by the Trustee, except, subject to the effect of Section 6.6, funds held in trust herewith for the benefit of the Holders of particular Notes. The Trustee's right to receive payment of any amounts due under this Section 7.7 shall not be subordinate to any other liability or indebtedness of the Company. The obligation of the Company under this Section 7.7 shall survive the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture and the earlier resignation or removal or the Trustee. The Company need not pay for any settlement made without its consent, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld. The indemnification provided in this Section 7.7 shall extend to the officers, directors, agents and employees of the Trustee.

Anything in this Indenture to the contrary notwithstanding (including, without limitation, the first two paragraphs of this Section 7.7), the Company need not reimburse any expense or indemnify against any loss, liability or expense incurred by the Trustee or by any officer, director, employee, shareholder or agent of the Trustee through negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith.

To secure the Company's payment obligations in this Section 7.7, the Trustee shall have a lien prior to the Securities of any Series on all money or property held or collected by the Trustee, except that held in trust to pay principal of and interest on any Securities.

When the Trustee incurs expenses or renders services after an Event of Default specified in Section 6.1(e) or (f) occurs, the expenses and the compensation for the services are intended to constitute expenses of administration under any Bankruptcy Law.

The provisions of this Section 7.7 shall survive the termination of this Indenture and the resignation or removal of the Trustee.

Section 7.8 <u>Replacement of Trustee</u>. A resignation or removal of the Trustee and appointment of a successor Trustee shall become effective only upon the successor Trustee's acceptance of appointment as provided in this Section 7.8.

The Trustee may resign with respect to the Securities of one or more Series by so notifying the Company at least 30 days prior to the date of the proposed resignation. The Holders of a majority in principal amount of the outstanding Securities of any Series may remove the Trustee with respect to that Series by so notifying the Company and the Trustee in writing at least 30 days prior to the date of such proposed removal. The Company may remove the Trustee with respect to Securities of one or more Series if:

- (a) the Trustee fails to comply with Section 7.10;
- (b) the Trustee is adjudged bankrupt or insolvent or an order for relief is entered with respect to the Trustee under any Bankruptcy Law;

- (c) a Custodian or public officer takes charge of the Trustee or its property; or
- (d) the Trustee becomes incapable of acting.

If the Trustee resigns or is removed or if a vacancy exists in the office of Trustee for any reason, the Company shall promptly appoint a successor Trustee. Within one year after the successor Trustee takes office, the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the then outstanding Securities may appoint a successor Trustee to replace the successor Trustee appointed by the Company.

If a successor Trustee with respect to the Securities of any one or more Series does not take office within 60 days after the retiring Trustee resigns or is removed, the retiring Trustee, the Company or the Holders of at least a majority in principal amount of the outstanding Securities of the applicable Series may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee at the Company's expense.

A successor Trustee shall deliver a written acceptance of its appointment to the retiring Trustee and to the Company. Immediately after that, the retiring Trustee shall transfer all property held by it as Trustee to the successor Trustee subject to the lien provided for in Section 7.7, the resignation or removal of the retiring Trustee shall become effective, and the successor Trustee shall have all of the rights, powers and duties of the Trustee with respect to each Series of Securities for which it is acting as Trustee under this Indenture. A successor Trustee shall mail a notice of its succession to each Securityholder of each such Series. Notwithstanding replacement of the Trustee pursuant to this Section 7.8, the Company's obligations under Section 7.7 hereof shall continue for the benefit of the retiring Trustee with respect to expenses and liabilities incurred by it prior to such replacement.

- Section 7.9 <u>Successor Trustee by Merger, Etc.</u> If the Trustee consolidates with, merges or converts into, or transfers all or substantially all of its corporate trust business to, another person, the successor person without any further act shall be the successor Trustee.
- Section 7.10 <u>Eligibility; Disqualification</u>. This Indenture shall always have a Trustee who satisfies the requirements of TIA § 310(a)(1), (2) and (5). The Trustee shall always have a combined capital and surplus of at least \$25,000,000 as set forth in its most recent published annual report of condition. The Trustee shall comply with TIA § 310(b).
- Section 7.11 Preferential Collection of Claims Against Company. The Trustee is subject to TIA § 311(a), excluding any creditor relationship listed in TIA § 311(b). A Trustee who has resigned or been removed shall be subject to TIA § 311(a) to the extent indicated.

## ARTICLE 8. SATISFACTION AND DISCHARGE; DEFEASANCE

- Section 8.1 <u>Satisfaction and Discharge of Indenture</u>. This Indenture shall upon Company Order cease to be of further effect (except as hereinafter provided in this Section 8.1) with respect to any Series of Securities specified in such Company Order, and the Trustee, at the expense of the Company, shall execute proper instruments acknowledging satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture, when
  - (a) any of the following shall have occurred:
    - (i) no Securities of such Series have been issued hereunder;
  - (ii) all Securities of such Series theretofore authenticated and delivered (other than Securities of such Series that have been destroyed, lost or stolen and that have been replaced or paid and Securities of such Series for whose payment money has theretofore been deposited in trust or segregated and held in trust by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries and thereafter repaid to the Company or discharged from such trust as in this Indenture provided) have been delivered to the Trustee for cancellation; or
    - (iii) all such Securities not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation:
      - (1) have become due and payable, or
      - (2) will become due and payable at their Stated Maturity within one year, or
    - (3) have been called for redemption or are to be called for redemption within one year under arrangements satisfactory to the Trustee for the giving of notice of redemption by the Trustee in the name, and at the expense, of the Company,

and the Company, in the case of (1), (2) or (3) above, has irrevocably (except as provided in Sections 8.2(c) and 8.5) deposited or caused to be deposited with the Trustee as trust funds in trust an amount sufficient, without investment, for the purpose of paying and discharging the entire indebtedness on such Securities not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation, for principal and interest, if any, to the date of such deposit (in the case of Securities which have become due and payable on or prior to the date of such deposit) or to the Stated Maturity or redemption date, as the case may be;

- (b) the Company has paid or caused to be paid all other sums payable hereunder by the Company with respect to the Securities of such Series: and
- (c) the Company has delivered to the Trustee an Officer's Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel, each stating that all conditions precedent herein provided for relating to the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture with respect to the Securities of such Series have been complied with.

Notwithstanding the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture, the obligations of the Company to the Trustee under Section 7.7, the provisions of this Section 8.1 and, if money shall have been deposited with the Trustee pursuant to clause (a) of this Section 8.1, the provisions of Sections 2.4, 2.7, 2.8, 8.2 and 8.5 and, if the Securities of such Series have been or are to be called for redemption, Article 3 shall survive.

- Section 8.2 <u>Application of Trust Funds; Indemnification</u>. (a) Subject to the provisions of Sections 8.2(c) and 8.5, all money deposited with the Trustee pursuant to Section 8.1, all money and U.S. Government Obligations or Foreign Government Obligations deposited with the Trustee pursuant to Section 8.3 or 8.4 and all money received by the Trustee in respect of U.S. Government Obligations or Foreign Government Obligations deposited with the Trustee pursuant to Section 8.3 or 8.4 with respect to the Securities of any Series, shall be held in trust and applied by it, in accordance with the provisions of the Securities of such Series and this Indenture, to the payment, either directly or through any Paying Agent (including the Company acting as its own Paying Agent) as the Trustee may determine, to the persons entitled thereto, of the principal and interest for whose payment such money and/or U.S. Government Obligations or Foreign Government Obligations have been deposited with or received by the Trustee or to make mandatory sinking fund payments or analogous payments as contemplated by Section 8.3 or 8.4 with respect to the Securities of such Series.
- (b) The Company shall pay and indemnify the Trustee against any tax, fee or other charge imposed on or assessed against U.S. Government Obligations or Foreign Government Obligations deposited pursuant to Section 8.3 or 8.4 or the principal and interest received in respect thereof, other than any such tax, fee or other charge which by law is for the account of the Holders of the outstanding Securities of such Series.
- (c) The Trustee shall deliver or pay to the Company from time to time upon Company Request any U.S. Government Obligations or Foreign Government Obligations or money held by it as provided in Section 8.1, 8.3 or 8.4 which, in the opinion of a nationally recognized firm of independent public accountants or a nationally recognized broker-dealer, investment bank, bank, trust company or other financial institution, in each case expressed in a written certification thereof delivered to the Trustee, are then in excess of the amount thereof which then would have been required to be deposited for the purpose for which such U.S. Government Obligations or Foreign Government Obligations or money were deposited or received. This provision shall not authorize the sale by the Trustee of any U.S. Government Obligations or Foreign Government Obligations held under Section 8.3 or 8.4.
- Section 8.3 <u>Legal Defeasance of Securities of any Series</u>. Except in the case of any Series of Securities as to which it is expressly provided, pursuant to Section 2.2, that this Section 8.3 shall not apply to the Securities of such Series, the Company shall be deemed to have paid and discharged the entire indebtedness on all of the outstanding Securities of any Series on the 91st day after the date of the deposit referred to in subparagraph (d) of this Section 8.3, and the provisions of this Indenture, as it relates to such outstanding Securities of such Series, shall no longer be in effect (and the Trustee, at the expense of the Company, shall, at Company Request, execute proper instruments acknowledging the same ("legal defeasance")), except as to:
- (a) the rights of Holders of Securities of such Series to receive, solely from the trust funds described in subparagraph (d) of this Section 8.3, (i) payment of the principal of and each installment, if any, of principal of and interest on the outstanding Securities of such Series on the Stated Maturity of such principal or installment of principal or interest and (ii) the benefit of any mandatory sinking fund payments applicable to the Securities of such Series on the day on which such payments are due and payable in accordance with the terms of this Indenture and the Securities of such Series:

- (b) the provisions of Sections 2.4, 2.7, 2.8, 8.2, 8.3 and 8.5 and, if the Securities of such Series have been or are to be called for redemption, Article 3; and
  - (c) the rights, powers, trust, indemnities and immunities of the Trustee hereunder;

provided that, the following conditions shall have been satisfied:

- (d) the Company shall have deposited or caused to be irrevocably deposited (except as provided in Section 8.2(c) and Section 8.5) with the Trustee as trust funds in trust for the purpose of making the following payments, specifically pledged as security for and dedicated solely to the benefit of the Holders of the Securities of such Series (i) in the case of Securities of such Series denominated in Dollars, cash in Dollars and/or U.S. Government Obligations, or (ii) in the case of Securities of such Series denominated in a Foreign Currency (other than a composite currency), money and/or Foreign Government Obligations, in each case which through the payment of interest and principal in respect thereof in accordance with their terms, will provide (and without reinvestment and assuming no tax liability will be imposed on such Trustee), not later than one day before the due date of any payment of principal of or interest, if any, on and any mandatory sinking fund payments in respect of, the Securities of such Series, an amount in cash, sufficient, in the opinion of a nationally recognized firm of independent public accountants or a nationally recognized broker-dealer, investment bank, bank, trust company or other financial institution, in each case expressed in a written certification thereof delivered to the Trustee, to pay and discharge each installment of principal of and interest, if any, on and any mandatory sinking fund payments in respect of all of the Securities of such Series on the dates such installments of interest or principal and such sinking fund payments are due or, if applicable, any redemption date specified by the Company;
- (e) such deposit will not result in a breach or violation of, or constitute a default under, this Indenture or any other material instrument or agreement relating to or evidencing indebtedness for borrowed money to which the Company is a party or by which it is bound;
- (f) no Default or Event of Default with respect to the Securities of such Series shall have occurred and be continuing on the date of such deposit or during the period ending on the 91st day after such date;
- (g) the Company shall have delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that (i) the Company has received from, or there has been published by, the Internal Revenue Service a ruling, or (ii) since the date of this Indenture, there has been a change in the applicable federal income tax law, in either case to the effect that, and based thereon such Opinion of Counsel shall confirm that, the Holders of the Securities of such Series will not recognize income, gain or loss for federal income tax purposes as a result of such legal defeasance and will be subject to federal income tax on the same amounts and in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such legal defeasance had not occurred;

- (h) if the deposit of money and/or U.S. Government Obligations or Foreign Government Obligations shall be sufficient to pay the principal of, any interest on and any mandatory sinking fund payments in respect of any or all of the outstanding Securities of such Series provided such Securities are redeemed on a particular redemption date, and if such Securities have not been called for redemption, the Company shall make arrangements reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee for the giving of notice of such redemption by the Trustee in the name, and at the expense of, the Company; and
- (i) the Company shall have delivered to the Trustee an Officer's Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel, to the effect that all conditions precedent provided for relating to the defeasance contemplated by this Section 8.3 have been complied with.

The Company may effect legal defeasance with respect to the Securities of any Series notwithstanding that the Company may have previously effected covenant defeasance with respect to the Securities of such Series. For the avoidance of doubt and without limitation to any of the other provisions set forth in this Article 8, if the Company effects legal defeasance with respect to the Securities of any Series, payment of the Securities of such Series may not be accelerated because of an Event of Default with respect to the Securities of such Series.

- Section 8.4 Covenant Defeasance. Except in the case of any Series of Securities as to which it is expressly provided, pursuant to Section 2.2, that this Section 8.4 shall not apply to the Securities of such Series, the Company shall be released from its obligations under, and may omit to comply with, any term, provision or condition set forth in Sections 4.2, 4.3, 4.4 and 5.1 with respect to the Securities of any Series as well as any additional covenants specified in a Board Resolution, supplemental indenture or Officer's Certificate delivered pursuant to Section 2.2 with respect to the Securities of such Series (and the failure to comply with any such covenants shall not constitute a default, Default or Event of Default with respect to any Securities of such Series, whether such default, Default or Event of Default is specified in this Indenture or in any Board Resolution, supplemental indenture or Officer's Certificate delivered pursuant to Section 2.2 in respect of such Series ("covenant defeasance")); provided that the following conditions shall have been satisfied:
- the Company shall have deposited or caused to be irrevocably deposited (except as provided in Section 8.2(c) and Section 8.5) with the Trustee as trust funds in trust for the purpose of making the following payments, specifically pledged as security for and dedicated solely to the benefit of the Holders of the Securities of such Series (i) in the case of Securities of such Series denominated in Dollars, cash in Dollars and/or U.S. Government Obligations, or (ii) in the case of Securities of such Series denominated in a Foreign Currency (other than a composite currency), money and/or Foreign Government Obligations, in each case which through the payment of interest and principal in respect thereof in accordance with their terms, will provide (and without reinvestment and assuming no tax liability will be imposed on such Trustee), not later than one day before the due date of any payment of principal of or interest, if any, on and any mandatory sinking fund payments in respect of, the Securities of such Series, an amount in cash, sufficient, in the opinion of a nationally recognized firm of independent public accountants or a nationally recognized broker-dealer, investment bank, bank, trust company or other financial institution, in each case expressed in a written certification thereof delivered to the Trustee, to pay and discharge each installment of principal of and interest, if any, on and any mandatory sinking fund payments in respect of all of the Securities of such Series on the dates such installments of interest or principal and such sinking fund payments are due or, if applicable, any redemption date specified by the Company;

- (b) such deposit will not result in a breach or violation of, or constitute a default under, this Indenture or any other material instrument or agreement relating to or evidencing indebtedness for borrowed money to which the Company is a party or by which it is bound;
- (c) no Default or Event of Default with respect to the Securities of such Series shall have occurred and be continuing on the date of such deposit;
- (d) the Company shall have delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that the Holders of the Securities of such Series will not recognize income, gain or loss for federal income tax purposes as a result of such covenant defeasance and will be subject to federal income tax on the same amounts and in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such covenant defeasance had not occurred:
- (e) if the deposit of money and/or U.S. Government Obligations or Foreign Government Obligations shall be sufficient to pay the principal of, any interest on and any mandatory sinking fund payments in respect of any or all of the outstanding Securities of such Series provided such Securities are redeemed on a particular redemption date, and if such Securities have not been called for redemption, the Company shall make arrangements reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee for the giving of notice of such redemption by the Trustee in the name, and at the expense of, the Company; and
- (f) the Company shall have delivered to the Trustee an Officer's Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel, each to the effect that all conditions precedent provided for relating to the defeasance contemplated by this Section 8.4 have been complied with.
- Section 8.5 Repayment to Company. Subject to applicable law, the Trustee and the Paying Agent shall pay to the Company upon request any money, U.S. Government Obligations and Foreign Government Obligations held by them in trust for the payment of principal, any interest or any sinking fund payment on any Securities and not applied that remains unclaimed for two years after the respective dates such principal or such interest or such sinking fund payment on such Securities, as the case may be, shall have become due and payable. After that, Securityholders entitled to the payment thereof must look to the Company for payment as general creditors unless an applicable abandoned property law designates another person.
- Section 8.6 Reinstatement. If the Trustee or the Paying Agent is unable to apply any money deposited with respect to Securities of any Series in accordance with Section 8.1 by reason of any legal proceeding or by reason of any order or judgment of any court or governmental authority enjoining, restraining or otherwise prohibiting such application, the obligations of the Company under this Indenture with respect to the Securities of such Series and under the Securities of such Series shall be revived and reinstated as though no deposit had occurred pursuant to Section 8.1 until such time as the Trustee or the Paying Agent is permitted to apply all such money in accordance with Section 8.1; provided, however, that if the Company has made any payment of principal of or interest on or any sinking fund payments with respect to any Securities because of the reinstatement of its obligations, the Company shall be subrogated to the rights of the Holders of such Securities to receive such payment from the money held by the Trustee or Paying Agent.

Section 8.7 Release of Other Obligations. Upon legal defeasance or covenant defeasance of the Securities of any Series or if the Company shall effect satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture with respect to the Securities of any Series pursuant to Section 8.1, then all guarantees, if any, of the Securities of such Series shall be automatically released and terminated, all guarantors, if any, of the Securities of such Series shall be automatically released and discharged from all of their obligations under this Indenture, their respective guarantees of the Securities of such Series and any other instruments or agreements creating or evidencing such guarantees, all collateral, if any, for the Securities of such Series (other than the money and/or U.S. Government Obligations or Foreign Government Obligations, as the case may be, deposited to effect such legal defeasance, covenant defeasance or satisfaction and discharge, as the case may be, in respect of the Securities of such Series pursuant to Section 8.1, 8.3 or 8.4, as the case may be) shall be automatically released and all Liens on such collateral (other than Liens on such money and/or U.S. Government Obligations or Foreign Government Obligations deposited as aforesaid) securing the Securities of such Series shall be automatically released and terminated, all without any action by the Company, any Holder or the Trustee; provided that the Trustee agrees to take such action as the Company may reasonably request in order to evidence or effectuate the release, discharge and termination of any such guarantees, guarantors, collateral and Liens upon receipt of an Officer's Certificate and Opinion of Counsel delivered pursuant to Section 10.4.

### ARTICLE 9. AMENDMENTS AND WAIVERS

- Section 9.1 <u>Without Consent of Holders.</u> The Company and the Trustee may enter into a supplemental indenture in order to amend or supplement this Indenture with respect to Securities of one or more Series or amend or supplement the Securities of one or more Series without notice to or the consent of any Securityholder to:
- (a) to evidence the succession of another corporation or limited liability company to the Company, or successive successions, and the assumption by the successor Person of the covenants, agreements and obligations of the Company pursuant to Article 5 hereof, or to evidence the assumption by a corporation, as a co-obligor under this Indenture and the Securities, of the covenants, agreements and obligations of the Company pursuant to Article 5;
- (b) to add to the covenants of the Company such further covenants, restrictions, conditions or provisions for the protection of the holders of all or any series of Securities (and if such covenants are to be for the benefit of less than all series of Securities, stating that such covenants are expressly being included for the benefit of such series) as the Board of Directors, pursuant to a Board Resolution, shall consider to be for the protection of the holders of such Securities, and to make the occurrence, or the occurrence and continuance, of a default in any of such additional covenants, restrictions, conditions or provisions a default or an Event of Default permitting the enforcement of all or any of the several remedies provided in this Indenture as herein set forth; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that in respect of any such additional covenant, restriction, condition or provision, such supplemental indenture may provide for a particular period of grace after default (which period may be shorter or longer than that allowed in the case of other defaults) or may provide for an immediate enforcement upon such default or may limit the remedies available to the Trustee upon such default;

- (c) to establish the forms or terms of the Securities of any Series as permitted by Sections 2.1 and 2.2;
- (d) to cure any ambiguity, to correct or supplement any provision contained herein or in any supplemental indenture that may be defective or inconsistent with any other provision contained herein or in any supplemental indenture, or to make such other provisions in regard to matters or questions arising under this Indenture that do not adversely affect the interests of the Securityholders of any Securities of such series in any material respect; <a href="mailto:provided">provided</a> that any amendment made solely to conform the provisions of this Indenture to the description of the Securities contained in the prospectus or other offering document pursuant to which such Securities were sold will not be deemed to adversely affect the interests of the holders of the Securities;
- (e) to modify or amend this Indenture to permit the qualification of this Indenture or any indentures supplemental hereto under the Trust Indenture Act as then in effect;
  - (f) to provide for the issuance of Additional Securities of any series of Securities;
- (g) to provide for the exchange of any Securities in global form represented by one or more Global Securities for Securities of the same series issued under this Indenture in definitive certificated form in the circumstances permitted by the terms of this Indenture and such Securities, and to make all appropriate changes to this Indenture for such purpose;
- (h) to add to, change or eliminate any of the provisions contained herein or in any indentures supplemental hereto in respect of one or more series of Securities; <u>provided</u> that any such addition, change or elimination (i) shall not apply to, or modify the rights of any holder of, any Security of any series created prior to the execution of such supplemental indenture, or (ii) shall become effective only when no Securities of any series created prior to the execution of such supplemental indenture are Outstanding;
  - (i) to add guarantees with respect to the Securities of any series or to secure the Securities of any series; and
- (j) to evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment hereunder by a successor or separate trustee with respect to the Securities of one or more series or to add to or change any of the provisions of this Indenture as shall be necessary to provide for or facilitate the administration of the trusts hereunder by more than one trustee, pursuant to the requirements of Section 7.8.
- Section 9.2 <u>With Consent of Holders.</u> The Company and the Trustee may enter into a supplemental indenture for the purpose of supplementing or amending in any manner this Indenture with respect to the Securities of any Series, or supplementing or amending the Securities of any Series, with the written consent of the Holders of at least a majority in principal amount of the outstanding Securities of such Series (including consents obtained in connection with a tender offer or exchange offer for the Securities of such Series); <u>provided</u> that no such consent of Holders shall be required in respect of any supplement or amendment permitted by Section 9.1; and <u>provided, further,</u> that any such supplement or amendment affecting more than one Series of Securities may be set forth in a single supplemental indenture. Without limitation to Section 6.13, the Holders of at least a majority in principal amount of the outstanding Securities of any Series by written notice to the Trustee (including consents obtained in connection with a tender offer or exchange offer for the Securities of such Series) may, on behalf of the Holders of all Securities of that Series, waive compliance by the Company with any covenants or other provisions of this Indenture and the Securities of such Series (including, without limitation, any covenants and provisions that may be set forth in a Board Resolution, supplemental indenture or Officer's Certificate).

Holders of the Securities of any series shall vote as a separate class with respect to modifications or amendments that affect only the Securities of such series, and the holders of other series of Securities shall not have any voting rights with respect to such matters as they relate to the Securities of such series.

Upon the request of the Company, accompanied by a copy of the resolutions of the Board of Directors authorizing the execution and delivery of any such supplemental indenture, and upon the filing with the Trustee of evidence of the consent of Securityholders, the Trustee shall join with the Company in the execution of such supplemental indenture unless such supplemental indenture affects the Trustee's own rights, duties or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise, in which case the Trustee may in its discretion but shall not be obligated to, enter into such supplemental indenture.

It shall not be necessary for the consent of the Holders of Securities under this Section 9.2 to approve the particular form of any proposed supplemental indenture or waiver, but it shall be sufficient if such consent approves the substance thereof. After a supplemental indenture or waiver under this Section 9.2 becomes effective, the Company shall deliver to the Holders of Securities affected thereby, a notice briefly describing the supplemental indenture or waiver. Any failure by the Company to deliver or publish such notice, or any defect therein, shall not, however, in any way impair or affect the validity of any such supplemental indenture or waiver.

- Section 9.3 <u>Limitations</u>. Subject to Section 9.5, an amendment, supplement or waiver pursuant to Section 9.2 affecting the Securities of any Series may not, without the consent of the Holder of each Security of such Series then outstanding:
  - (a) change the stated maturity of principal of, or any installment of principal of or interest on, any Security;
- (b) reduce the rate of or extend the time for payment of or interest, if any, on any Security, or alter the manner of calculation of interest payable on any Security (except as part of any remarketing of the Securities of any series) or any interest rate reset with respect to the Securities of any series, in each case in accordance with the terms of the Securities of such series);
  - (c) reduce the principal amount on any Security;
  - (d) make the principal amount or interest on any Security, payable in any coin or currency other than that provided in any Security;
- (e) reduce the percentage in principal amount of Securities of any series, the holders of which are required to consent to any such supplemental indenture or any waiver of any past default or Event of Default pursuant to Section 6.13;
  - (f) change any place of payment where the Securities of any series or interest thereon is payable;
  - (g) modify the interest rate reset provision of any Security;

- (h) impair the right of any holder of a Security to receive payment of the principal of, or interest on, any Security on or after the respective due dates for such principal or interest, or to institute any suit for the enforcement of any such payment, or reduce the amount of the principal of an Original Issue Discount Security that would be due and payable upon an acceleration of the maturity thereof pursuant to Section 6.01, or adversely affect the right of repayment, if any, at the option of the holder, or extend the time for, or reduce the amount of, any payment to any sinking fund or analogous obligation relating to any Security; or
- (i) modify any provision of Section 6.13 or this Section 9.3 (except to increase the percentage in principal amount of Securities whose holders must consent to an amendment, or to provide that certain other provisions of this Indenture cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the holder of each Security affected by the modification or waiver).
- Section 9.4 <u>Compliance with Trust Indenture Act</u>. Every amendment or supplement to this Indenture or the Securities of one or more Series shall be set forth in a supplemental indenture hereto that complies with the TIA as then in effect.
- Section 9.5 Revocation and Effect of Consents. Until an amendment or supplement is set forth in a supplemental indenture or a waiver becomes effective, a consent to it by a Holder of a Security is a continuing consent by the Holder and every subsequent Holder of a Security or portion of a Security that evidences the same debt as the consenting Holder's Security, even if notation of the consent is not made on any Security. However, any such Holder or subsequent Holder may revoke the consent as to his or her Security or portion of a Security if the Trustee receives the notice of revocation before the date of the supplemental indenture or the date the waiver becomes effective.

Any amendment, supplement or waiver once effective shall bind every Securityholder of each Series affected by such amendment, supplement or waiver unless it is of the type or relates to any matters described in any of clauses (a) through (h) of Section 9.3. In that case then, anything herein to the contrary notwithstanding, the amendment, supplement or waiver shall bind each Holder of a Security who has consented to it and every subsequent Holder of a Security or portion of a Security that evidences the same debt as the consenting Holder's Security.

Section 9.6 <u>Notation on or Exchange of Securities</u>. The Trustee may place an appropriate notation about an amendment, supplement or waiver on any Security of any Series thereafter authenticated. The Company in exchange for Securities of that Series may issue and the Trustee shall authenticate upon request new Securities of that Series that reflect the amendment, supplement or waiver.

Section 9.7 <u>Trustee Protected</u>. In executing, or accepting the additional trusts created by any supplemental indenture permitted by this Article or the modifications thereby of the trusts created by this Indenture, the Trustee shall be entitled to receive, and (subject to Section 7.1) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an Officer's Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that the execution of such supplemental indenture is authorized or permitted by this Indenture, that all conditions precedent thereto under this Indenture have been complied with, and, with respect to such Opinion of Counsel, that the supplemental indenture is the legal, valid and binding obligation of the Company. The Trustee shall sign all supplemental indentures, except that the Trustee need not sign any supplemental indenture that adversely affects its rights.

### ARTICLE 10. MISCELLANEOUS

Section 10.1 <u>Trust Indenture Act Controls.</u> If any provision of this Indenture limits, qualifies, or conflicts with another provision which is required or deemed to be included in this Indenture by the TIA, such required or deemed provision shall control.

Section 10.2 <u>Notices</u>. Except as otherwise set forth herein, any notice or communication by the Trustee to the Company, or by a Holder to the Company, is duly given if in writing and delivered in person or by overnight courier or five days after it is mailed by first class mail or when transmitted by electronic transmission (confirmed, in the case of electronic transmission, by delivery in person or by overnight courier no later than the next day); provided, however, any notice of communication given to the Trustee shall be duly given only when actually received by a Responsible Officer of the Trustee:

### if to the Company:

Blackbaud, Inc. 65 Fairchild Street Charleston, South Carolina 29492

Attention: Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

Telephone: 843-654-2300 Email: jon.olson@blackbaud.com

### if to the Trustee:

The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. 4655 Salisbury Road, Suite 300 Jacksonville, Florida 32256 Attention: Corporate Trust Administration

Telephone: 904-998-4747

Email: Kandy.williams@bnymellon.com

The Company or the Trustee by notice to the other may designate additional or different addresses for subsequent notices or communications.

Except as otherwise set forth in this Indenture and except as may otherwise be provided with respect to the Securities of any Series pursuant to Section 2.2, any notice or communication to a Securityholder shall be mailed by first-class mail, sent by overnight courier or hand delivery, transmitted by email or transmitted by other electronic transmission to his or her address shown on the register kept by the Registrar; provided that if the Securityholder to which any such notice or communication is to be mailed, delivered or otherwise transmitted is a Depositary or its nominee, such notice or communication may instead be given by such other means as may be required or permitted by the procedures of such Depositary. Failure to deliver a notice or communication to a Securityholder of any Series or any defect in it shall not affect its sufficiency with respect to other Securityholders of that or any other Series.

If a notice or communication is delivered in the manner provided above or as otherwise provided in this Indenture, within the time prescribed, it is duly given, whether or not the Securityholder receives it.

If the Company delivers a notice or communication to Securityholders, it shall deliver a copy to the Trustee and each Agent at the same time.

The Trustee shall have the right to accept and act upon instructions, including funds transfer instructions ("Instructions") given pursuant to this Indenture and delivered using Electronic Means; provided, however, that the Company shall provide to the Trustee an incumbency certificate listing officers with the authority to provide such Instructions ("Authorized Officers") and containing specimen signatures of such Authorized Officers, which incumbency certificate shall be amended by the Company whenever a person is to be added or deleted from the listing. If the Company elects to give the Trustee Instructions using Electronic Means and the Trustee in its discretion elects to act upon such Instructions, the Trustee's understanding of such Instructions shall be deemed controlling. The Company understands and agrees that the Trustee cannot determine the identity of the actual sender of such Instructions and that the Trustee shall conclusively presume that directions that purport to have been sent by an Authorized Officer listed on the incumbency certificate provided to the Trustee have been sent by such Authorized Officer. The Company shall be responsible for ensuring that only Authorized Officers transmit such Instructions to the Trustee and that the Company and all Authorized Officers are solely responsible to safeguard the use and confidentiality of applicable user and authorization codes, passwords and/or authentication keys upon receipt by the Company. The Trustee shall not be liable for any losses, costs or expenses arising directly or indirectly from the Trustee's reliance upon and compliance with such Instructions notwithstanding such directions conflict or are inconsistent with a subsequent written instruction. The Company agrees: (i) to assume all risks arising out of the use of Electronic Means to submit Instructions to the Trustee, including without limitation the risk of the Trustee acting on unauthorized Instructions, and the risk of interception and misuse by third parties; (ii) that it is fully informed of the protections and risks associated with the various methods of transmitting Instructions to the Trustee and that there may be more secure methods of transmitting Instructions than the method(s) selected by the Company; (iii) that the security procedures (if any) to be followed in connection with its transmission of Instructions provide to it a commercially reasonable degree of protection in light of its particular needs and circumstances; and (iv) to notify the Trustee immediately upon learning of any compromise or unauthorized use of the security procedures.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture or any Note, where this Indenture or any Note provides for notice of any event or any other communication (including any notice of redemption or repurchase) to a holder of a Global Note (whether by mail or otherwise), such notice shall be sufficiently given if given to the Depositary (or its designee) pursuant to the standing instructions from the Depositary or its designee, including by electronic mail in accordance with accepted practices at the Depositary.

- Section 10.3 <u>Communication by Holders with Other Holders.</u> Securityholders of any Series may communicate pursuant to TIA § 312(b) with other Securityholders of that Series or any other Series with respect to their rights under this Indenture or the Securities of that Series or all Series. The Company, the Trustee, the Registrar and anyone else shall have the protection of TIA § 312(c).
- Section 10.4 <u>Certificate and Opinion as to Conditions Precedent</u>. Upon any request or application by the Company to the Trustee to take any action under this Indenture, the Company shall furnish to the Trustee:
- (a) an Officer's Certificate stating that, in the opinion of the signers, all conditions precedent, if any, provided for in this Indenture relating to the proposed action have been complied with; and
- (b) an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that, in the opinion of such counsel, all such conditions precedent provided for in this Indenture relating to the proposed action have been complied with, unless such requirement has been waived or is not required by the Trustee.
- Section 10.5 <u>Statements Required in Certificate or Opinion</u>. Each certificate or opinion with respect to compliance with a condition or covenant provided for in this Indenture (other than a certificate provided pursuant to TIA § 314(a)(4)) shall comply with the provisions of TIA § 314(e) and shall include:
  - (a) a statement that the person making such certificate or opinion has read such covenant or condition;
- (b) a brief statement as to the nature and scope of the examination or investigation upon which the statements or opinions contained in such certificate or opinion are based;
- (c) a statement that, in the opinion of such person, he or she has made such examination or investigation as is necessary to enable him to express an informed opinion as to whether or not such covenant or condition has been complied with; and
  - (d) a statement as to whether or not, in the opinion of such person, such condition or covenant has been complied with.
- Section 10.6 <u>Rules by Trustee and Agents</u>. The Trustee may make reasonable rules for action by or a meeting of Securityholders of one or more Series. Any Agent may make reasonable rules and set reasonable requirements for its functions.

Section 10.7 <u>Legal Holidays</u>. Unless otherwise provided pursuant to Section 2.2 for a Series of Securities, if any interest payment date, redemption date, Maturity or other date on which any payment on any Security is due is not a Business Day at any place of payment of principal of or interest on the Securities of such Series, then payment of the principal and interest, if any, as the case may be, due on such Security on such interest payment date, redemption date, Maturity or other date, as the case may be, need not be made on such interest payment date, redemption date, Maturity or other date, as the case may be, and no interest will accrue on such payment for the period from and after such interest payment date, redemption date, Maturity or other date, as the case may be.

Section 10.8 No Recourse Against Others. A director, officer, employee or stockholder, as such, of the Company shall not have any liability for any obligations of the Company under the Securities or this Indenture or for any claim based on, in respect of or by reason of such obligations or their creation. Each Securityholder by accepting a Security waives and releases all such liability. The waiver and release are part of the consideration for the issuance of the Securities.

Counterparts. This Indenture may be executed in any number of counterparts and by the parties hereto in separate counterparts, Section 10.9 each of which when so executed shall be deemed to be an original and all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement. The exchange of copies of this Indenture and of signature pages by electronic or PDF transmission shall constitute effective execution and delivery of this Indenture as to the parties hereto and may be used in lieu of the original Indenture for all purposes. The words "execution," "signed," "signed," and words of like import in this Indenture shall include images of manually executed signatures transmitted by email or other electronic format (including, without limitation, "pdf," "tif" or "jpg") and other electronic signatures (including without limitation, DocuSign and AdobeSign). The use of electronic signatures and electronic records (including, without limitation, any contract or other record created, generated, sent, communicated, received, or stored by electronic means) shall be of the same legal effect, validity and enforceability as a manually executed signature or use of a paper-based record-keeping system to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, including the Federal Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act, the New York State Electronic Signatures and Records Act and any other applicable law, including, without limitation, any state law based on the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act or the Uniform Commercial Code. Without limitation to the foregoing, and anything in this Indenture to the contrary notwithstanding, (a) any Officer's Certificate, Security, opinion of counsel, instrument, agreement or other document delivered pursuant to this Indenture may be executed, attested and transmitted by any of the foregoing electronic means and formats, (b) all references in this Indenture to the execution, attestation or authentication of any Security or any certificate of authentication appearing on or attached to any Security by means of a manual signature shall be deemed to include signatures that are made or transmitted by any of the foregoing electronic means or formats, and (c) any requirement in this Indenture that any signature be made under a corporate seal shall not be applicable to the Securities.

Section 10.10 <u>Governing Law.</u> THIS INDENTURE AND THE SECURITIES SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE INTERNAL LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK APPLICABLE TO AGREEMENTS MADE AND TO BE PERFORMED IN SUCH STATE, WITHOUT REGARD TO THE CONFLICT OF LAWS PROVISIONS THEREOF.

EACH OF THE COMPANY AND THE TRUSTEE AND EACH HOLDER (PURSUANT TO EACH HOLDER'S PURCHASE OF THE NOTES) HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY AND ALL RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS INDENTURE, THE SECURITIES OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY OR THEREBY.

Any legal suit, action or proceeding arising out of or based upon this Indenture or the transactions contemplated hereby may be instituted in the federal courts of the United States of America located in New York City or the courts of the State of New York in each case located in the Borough of Manhattan in New York City (collectively, the "Specified Courts"), and each party irrevocably submits to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of such courts in any such suit, action or proceeding. Service of any process, summons, notice or document by mail (to the extent allowed under any applicable statute or rule of court) to such party's address set forth above shall be effective service of process for any suit, action or other proceeding brought in any such court. Each of the Company and the Trustee hereby irrevocably and unconditionally waives any objection to the laying of venue of any suit, action or other proceeding in the Specified Courts and irrevocably and unconditionally waives and agrees not to plead or claim any such suit, action or other proceeding has been brought in an inconvenient forum.

- Section 10.11 No Adverse Interpretation of Other Agreements. To the extent permitted by applicable law, this Indenture may not be used to interpret another indenture, loan or debt agreement of the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company, and any such indenture, loan or debt agreement may not be used to interpret this Indenture.
- Section 10.12 <u>Successors</u>. All agreements of the Company in this Indenture and the Securities shall bind its successor. All agreements of the Trustee in this Indenture shall bind its successor.
- Section 10.13 Severability. To the extent permitted by applicable law, in case any provision in this Indenture or in the Securities shall be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.
- Section 10.14 <u>Table of Contents, Headings, Etc.</u> The Table of Contents, Cross Reference Table, and headings of the Articles and Sections of this Indenture and in any Securities have been inserted for convenience of reference only, are not to be considered a part hereof, and shall in no way modify or restrict any of the terms or provisions hereof or thereof.

Section 10.15 Securities in a Composite Currency, Currency Unit or Foreign Currency. Unless otherwise provided pursuant to Section 2.2 with respect to a particular Series of Securities, whenever for purposes of this Indenture any consent, notice, waiver or other action may be taken or given by the Holders of a specified percentage in aggregate principal amount of Securities of one or more Series at the time outstanding and, at such time, all of the outstanding Securities of such Series are not denominated in the same currency or currency unit, then the principal amount (which, in the case of Discount Securities, shall be determined as provided in the last paragraph of Section 2.9) of Securities of such Series which shall be deemed to be outstanding for the purpose of giving any consent, notice or waiver or taking any other action under this Indenture or the Securities of such Series shall be (except in the case of any such Securities denominated in Dollars) that amount of Dollars that could be obtained for such principal amount (or other amount, as the case may be) at the Market Exchange Rate at such time. For purposes of this Section 10.15, "Market Exchange Rate" shall mean the noon Dollar buying rate in New York City for cable transfers of such currency or currencies as published by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, as of the most recent available date. If such Market Exchange Rate is not available for any reason with respect to any such currency, the Company shall use, in its sole discretion, such quotation of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York as of the most recent available date, or quotations or rates of exchange from one or more major banks in New York City or in the country of issue of the currency in question, which for purposes of euros shall be Brussels, Belgium, or such other quotations or rates of exchange as the Company shall deem appropriate.

The Company may, at its option, appoint an agent to obtain the Market Exchange Rate (or alternative rate) and to perform the relevant calculations with respect to any Securities denominated in a currency or currencies other than Dollars. All decisions and determinations of the Company or any such agent regarding the Market Exchange Rate or any alternative determination provided for in the preceding paragraph shall be in its sole discretion and shall, in the absence of manifest error, to the extent permitted by law, be conclusive for all purposes and irrevocably binding upon the Trustee, the Agents and all Holders. In no event shall the Trustee or any Agent be responsible for the calculation of any Market Exchange Rate (or alternative rate).

Section 10.16 Force Majeure. In no event shall the Trustee be responsible or liable for any failure or delay in the performance of its obligations under this Indenture arising out of or caused by, directly or indirectly, forces beyond its control, including, without limitation, strikes, work stoppages, accidents, pandemics or epidemics, acts of war or terrorism, civil or military disturbances, nuclear or natural catastrophes or acts of God, and interruptions, loss or malfunctions of utilities, communications or computer (software and hardware) services; it being understood that, subject to Section 7.1, the Trustee shall use reasonable efforts which are consistent with accepted practices in the banking industry to resume performance as soon as practicable under the circumstances.

Section 10.17 <u>U.S.A. Patriot Act</u>. The parties hereto acknowledge that in accordance with Section 326 of the U.S.A. Patriot Act, the Trustee is required to obtain, verify, and record information that identifies each person that establishes a relationship or opens an account with the Trustee. The Company agrees that it will provide the Trustee with such information as the Trustee may reasonably request in order for the Trustee to satisfy the requirements of the U.S.A. Patriot Act. For purposes of this Section 10.17, "U.S.A. Patriot Act" means the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001, Pub. L. 107-56, as amended, and signed into law October 26, 2001. The provisions of this Section 10.17 are for the sole and exclusive benefit of the Trustee and no failure by the Company to comply with, or any breach of, this Section 10.17 shall constitute a Default, Event of Default or other default with respect to the Securities of any Series or under this Indenture, nor shall any person other than the Company and the Trustee have any rights under this Section 10.17.

Section 10.18 <u>Judgment Currency</u>. The Company agrees, to the fullest extent that it may effectively do so under applicable law, that (a) if for the purpose of obtaining judgment in any court it is necessary to convert the sum due in respect of the principal of or interest or other amount on the Securities of any Series (the "*Required Currency*") into a currency in which a judgment will be rendered (the "*Judgment Currency*"), the rate of exchange used shall be the rate at which in accordance with normal banking procedures the Trustee could purchase in New York City the Required Currency with the Judgment Currency on the day on which final unappealable judgment is entered, unless such day is not a Business Day, then the rate of exchange used shall be the rate at which in accordance with normal banking procedures the Trustee could purchase in New York City the Required Currency with the Judgment Currency on the Business Day preceding the day on which final unappealable judgment is entered and (b) its obligations under this Indenture to make payments in the Required Currency (i) shall not be discharged or satisfied by any tender, any recovery pursuant to any judgment (whether or not entered in accordance with subsection (a)), in any currency other than the Required Currency, except to the extent that such tender or recovery shall result in the actual receipt, by the payee, of the full amount of the Required Currency expressed to be payable in respect of such payments, (ii) shall be enforceable as an alternative or additional cause of action for the purpose of recovering in the Required Currency the amount, if any, by which such actual receipt shall fall short of the full amount of the Required Currency so expressed to be payable, and (iii) shall not be affected by judgment being obtained for any other sum due under this Indenture.

Section 10.19 Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA). In order to comply with applicable tax laws, rules and regulations (inclusive of directives, guidelines and interpretations promulgated by competent authorities) in effect from time to time ("Applicable Law"), the Company agrees (i) to provide to the Trustee sufficient information about holders or other applicable parties and/or transactions (including any modification to the terms of such transactions) so the Trustee can determine whether it has tax related obligations under Applicable Law, (ii) that the Trustee shall be entitled to make any withholding or deduction from payments under the Indenture to the extent necessary to comply with Applicable Law for which the Trustee shall not have any liability, and (iii) to hold harmless the Trustee. for any losses it may suffer due to the actions it takes to comply with such Applicable Law. The terms of this section shall survive the termination of this Indenture.

### Section 10.20 Office of Foreign Assets Control Sanctions Representations.

- (a) The Company represents that neither it nor any of its affiliates, subsidiaries, directors or officers are the target or subject of any sanctions enforced by the US Government (including, without limitation, the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the US Department of the Treasury or the US Department of State), the United Nations Security Council, the European Union, His Majesty's Treasury, or other relevant sanctions authority (collectively "Sanctions");
- (b) The Company covenants that neither it nor any of its affiliates, subsidiaries, directors or officers will directly or indirectly use any payments made pursuant to this Indenture, (i) to fund or facilitate any activities of or business with any person who, at the time of such funding or facilitation, is the subject or target of Sanctions, (ii) to fund or facilitate any activities of or business with any country or territory that is the target or subject of Sanctions, or (iii) in any other manner that will result in a violation of Sanctions by any person.

[Signature Page Follows]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Indenture to be duly executed as of the day and year first above written.

Blackbaud, Inc.

By:

Name:

Title:

The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company,
N.A., as Trustee

By:

Name:

Title:



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January 10, 2025

Blackbaud, Inc. 65 Fairchild Street Charleston, South Carolina 29492

Re: Registration Statement on Form S-3

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We refer to the Registration Statement on Form S-3 (the "<u>Registration Statement</u>") being filed by Blackbaud, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "<u>Company</u>"), with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "<u>SEC</u>") under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "<u>Securities Act</u>"), relating to the registration of an unlimited amount of:

- (i) shares of the Company's common stock, par value \$0.001 (the "Common Stock") that may be offered and sold by the Company;
- (ii) shares of the Company's preferred stock (the "<u>Preferred Stock</u>"), which may be represented by depositary shares (the "<u>Depositary Shares</u>");
  - (iii) debt securities of the Company (the "<u>Debt Securities</u>");
  - (iv) warrants to purchase Common Stock, Preferred Stock or Debt Securities (the "Warrants");
- (v) stock purchase contracts (the "<u>Stock Purchase Contracts</u>"), entitling or obligating the holders thereof to purchase from or sell to the Company and the Company to sell to or purchase from the holders thereof, Common Stock or Preferred Stock at a future date or dates; and
- (vi) stock purchase units (the "Stock Purchase Units"), each representing ownership of a Stock Purchase Contract and Debt Securities or debt obligations of third parties.

The Common Stock, the Preferred Stock, the Depositary Shares, the Debt Securities, the Warrants, the Stock Purchase Contracts and the Stock Purchase Units are collectively referred to herein as the "Securities."

Unless otherwise specified in the applicable prospectus supplement:

(1) the Depositary Shares will be issued under a deposit agreement (a "<u>Deposit Agreement</u>") between the Company and a depositary agent (the "<u>Depositary Agent</u>");

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- (2) the Debt Securities will be issued under an indenture in the form attached as an exhibit to the Registration Statement (the "<u>Indenture</u>"), between the Company and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. (the "<u>Trustee</u>");
- (3) the Warrants will be issued under a warrant agreement (the "Warrant Agreement") to be entered into between the Company and a warrant agent (the "Warrant Agent"); and
- (4) the Stock Purchase Contracts will be issued under a stock purchase contract agreement (the "Stock Purchase Contract Agreement") between the Company and a purchase contract agent (the "Stock Purchase Contract Agent");

in each case substantially in the form that has been or will be filed as an exhibit to the Registration Statement.

This opinion letter is being delivered in accordance with the requirements of Item 601(b)(5) of Regulation S-K under the Securities Act.

We have examined the Registration Statement, the exhibits thereto, the amended and restated certificate of incorporation of the Company (the "Charter"), the amended and restated bylaws of the Company (the "Bylaws") and the resolutions (the "Resolutions") adopted by the board of directors of the Company (the "Board") relating to the Registration Statement. We have also examined originals, or copies of originals certified to our satisfaction, of such agreements, documents, certificates and statements of the Company and others, and have examined such questions of law, as we have considered relevant and necessary as a basis for this opinion letter. We have assumed the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as originals, the genuineness of all signatures, the legal capacity of all persons and the conformity with the original documents of any copies thereof submitted to us for examination. As to facts relevant to the opinions expressed herein, we have relied without independent investigation or verification upon, and assumed the accuracy and completeness of, certificates, letters and oral and written statements and representations of public officials and officers and other representatives of the Company.

Based on and subject to the foregoing and the other limitations, qualifications and assumptions set forth herein, we are of the opinion that:

1. With respect to an offering of shares of Common Stock covered by the Registration Statement, such shares of Common Stock will be validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable when: (i) the Registration Statement, as finally amended (including any necessary post-effective amendments), shall have become effective under the Securities Act; (ii) a prospectus supplement with respect to the sale of such shares of Common Stock shall have been filed with the SEC in compliance with the Securities Act and the rules and regulations thereunder; (iii) the Board or a duly authorized committee thereof shall have duly adopted final resolutions in conformity with the Charter, the Bylaws and the Resolutions authorizing the issuance and sale of such shares of Common Stock; and (iv) certificates representing such shares of Common Stock shall have been duly executed, countersigned and registered and duly delivered in accordance with the applicable definitive purchase, underwriting or similar agreement against payment of the agreed consideration therefor in an amount not less than the par value thereof or, if any such shares of Common Stock are to be issued in uncertificated form, the Company's books shall reflect the issuance of such shares of Common Stock in accordance with the applicable definitive purchase, underwriting or similar agreement against payment of the agreed consideration therefor in an amount not less than the par value thereof.

- 2. The issuance and sale of each series of Preferred Stock covered by the Registration Statement will be duly authorized, and each share of such series of Preferred Stock will be validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable, when: (i) the Registration Statement, as finally amended (including any necessary post-effective amendments), shall have become effective under the Securities Act; (ii) a prospectus supplement with respect to the sale of such series of Preferred Stock shall have been filed with the SEC in compliance with the Securities Act and the rules and regulations thereunder; (iii) the Board or a duly authorized committee thereof shall have duly adopted final resolutions in conformity with the Charter, the Bylaws and the Resolutions establishing the designations, preferences, rights, qualifications, limitations or restrictions of such series of Preferred Stock and authorizing the issuance and sale of such series of Preferred Stock; (iv) the Company shall have filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware a Certificate of Designations with respect to such series of Preferred Stock in accordance with the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "DGCL") and in conformity with the Charter and such final resolutions; and (v) certificates representing such series of Preferred Stock shall have been duly executed, countersigned and registered and duly delivered in accordance with the applicable definitive purchase, underwriting or similar agreement to the purchasers thereof against payment of the agreed consideration therefor in an amount not less than the par value thereof or, if any shares of such series of Preferred Stock are to be issued in uncertificated form, the Company's books shall reflect the issuance of such shares in accordance with the applicable definitive purchase, underwriting or similar agreement against payment of the agreed consideration therefor in an amount not less than the par value thereof.
- The Depositary Shares covered by the Registration Statement will entitle the holders thereof to the rights specified in the Depositary Shares and the Deposit Agreement relating to the Depositary Shares when: (i) the Registration Statement, as finally amended (including any necessary post-effective amendments), shall have become effective under the Securities Act; (ii) a prospectus supplement with respect to the Depositary Shares and the series of Preferred Stock underlying such Depositary Shares shall have been filed with the SEC in compliance with the Securities Act and the rules and regulations thereunder; (iii) a Deposit Agreement shall have been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company and duly executed and delivered by the Depositary named in the Deposit Agreement; (iv) the Board or a duly authorized committee thereof shall have duly adopted final resolutions in conformity with the Charter, the Bylaws and the Resolutions establishing the designations, preferences, rights, qualifications, limitations or restrictions of such series of Preferred Stock underlying such Depositary Shares and authorizing the issuance and sale of such series of Preferred Stock; (v) the Company shall have filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware a Certificate of Designations with respect to such series of Preferred Stock underlying such Depositary Shares in accordance with the DGCL and in conformity with the Charter and such final resolutions; (vi) certificates representing the series of Preferred Stock underlying such Depositary Shares shall have been duly executed, countersigned and registered and duly delivered against payment of the agreed consideration therefor in an amount not less than the par value thereof or, if any shares of such series of Preferred Stock are to be issued in uncertificated form, the Company's books shall reflect the issuance of such shares in accordance with the applicable definitive purchase, underwriting or similar agreement against payment of the agreed consideration therefor in an amount not less than the par value thereof; and (vii) the depositary receipts evidencing Depositary Shares shall have been duly executed and delivered by the Depositary in the manner set forth in the Deposit Agreement and in accordance with the applicable definitive purchase, underwriting or similar agreement to the purchasers thereof against payment of the agreed consideration therefor.

- 4. Each issue of Warrants covered by the Registration Statement will constitute valid and binding obligations of the Company when: (i) the Registration Statement, as finally amended (including any necessary post-effective amendments), shall have become effective under the Securities Act; (ii) a prospectus supplement with respect to such issue of Warrants and the Common Stock, Debt Securities or Preferred Stock issuable upon exercise of such Warrants shall have been filed with the SEC in compliance with the Securities Act and the rules and regulations thereunder; (iii) a Warrant Agreement relating to such issue of Warrants shall have been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company and duly executed and delivered by the Warrant Agent named in the Warrant Agreement; (iv) the Board or a duly authorized committee thereof shall have duly adopted final resolutions in conformity with the Charter, the Bylaws and the Resolutions authorizing the execution and delivery of the Warrant Agreement and the issuance and sale of such issue of Warrants; (v) if such Warrants are exercisable for Common Stock, the actions described in paragraph 1 above shall have been taken; (vi) if such Warrants are exercisable for Preferred Stock, the actions described in paragraph 2 above shall have been taken; (vii) if such Warrants are exercisable for Debt Securities, the actions described in paragraph 5 below shall have been taken; and (viii) certificates representing such issue of Warrants shall have been duly executed, countersigned and issued in accordance with such Warrant Agreement and shall have been duly delivered in accordance with the applicable definitive purchase, underwriting or similar agreement to the purchasers thereof against payment of the agreed consideration therefor.
- The Debt Securities of each series covered by the Registration Statement will constitute valid and binding obligations of the Company when: (i) the Registration Statement, as finally amended (including any necessary post-effective amendments), shall have become effective under the Securities Act and the Indenture (including any necessary supplemental indenture) shall have been qualified under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended; (ii) a prospectus supplement with respect to such series of Debt Securities shall have been filed with the SEC in compliance with the Securities Act and the rules and regulations thereunder; (iii) the Indenture shall have been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company and the Trustee; (iv) all necessary corporate action shall have been taken by the Company to authorize the form, terms, execution, delivery, performance, issuance and sale of such series of Debt Securities as contemplated by the Registration Statement, the prospectus supplement relating to such Debt Securities and the Indenture and to authorize the execution, delivery and performance of a supplemental indenture, resolution of the Board or officers' certificate establishing the form and terms of such series of Debt Securities as contemplated by the Indenture; (v) a supplemental indenture, resolution of the Board or officers' certificate establishing the form and terms of such series of Debt Securities shall have been duly executed and delivered by the Company and the Trustee (in the case of such a supplemental indenture), by the Board (in the case of such resolution of the Board) or by duly authorized officers of the Company (in the case of such an officers' certificate), in each case in accordance with the provisions of the Charter, the Bylaws, final resolutions of the Board or a duly authorized committee thereof and the Indenture; and (vi) the certificates evidencing the Debt Securities of such series shall have been duly executed and delivered by the Company, authenticated by the Trustee and issued, all in accordance with the Charter, the Bylaws, final resolutions of the Board or a duly authorized committee thereof, the Indenture and the supplemental indenture, resolution of the Board or officers' certificate, as the case may be, establishing the form and terms of the Debt Securities of such series, and shall have been duly delivered in accordance with the applicable definitive purchase, underwriting or similar agreement to the purchasers thereof against payment of the agreed consideration therefor.

- 6. The Stock Purchase Contracts will constitute valid and binding obligations of the Company when: (i) the Registration Statement, as finally amended (including any necessary post-effective amendments), shall have become effective under the Securities Act; (ii) a prospectus supplement with respect to such Stock Purchase Contracts shall have been filed with the SEC in compliance with the Securities Act and the rules and regulations thereunder; (iii) a Stock Purchase Contract Agreement relating to such Stock Purchase Contracts shall have been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company and duly executed and delivered by the Stock Purchase Contract Agreement; (iv) the Board or a duly authorized committee thereof shall have duly adopted final resolutions in conformity with the Charter, the Bylaws and the Resolutions authorizing the execution, delivery, issuance and sale of such Stock Purchase Contracts; (v) if such Stock Purchase Contracts relate to the issuance and sale of Common Stock, the actions described in paragraph 1 above shall have been taken; (vi) if such Stock Purchase Contracts relate to the issuance and sale of Preferred Stock, the actions described in paragraph 2 above shall have been taken; and (vii) certificates representing such Stock Purchase Contracts shall have been duly executed, countersigned and registered in accordance with the Stock Purchase Contract Agreement and shall have been duly delivered to the purchasers thereof in accordance with the Stock Purchase Contract Agreement against payment of the agreed consideration therefor.
- 7. The Stock Purchase Units will constitute valid and binding obligations of the Company when: (i) the Registration Statement, as finally amended (including any necessary post-effective amendments), shall have become effective under the Securities Act; (ii) a prospectus supplement with respect to such Stock Purchase Units shall have been filed with the SEC in compliance with the Securities Act and the rules and regulations thereunder; (iii) the Board or a duly authorized committee thereof shall have duly adopted final resolutions in conformity with the Charter, the Bylaws and the Resolutions authorizing the execution, delivery, issuance and sale of such Stock Purchase Units; (iv) the actions described in paragraph 6 above shall have been taken; (v) if such Stock Purchase Units relate to Debt Securities, the actions described in paragraph 5 above shall have been taken; and (vi) certificates representing such Stock Purchase Units shall have been duly executed, countersigned and registered and shall have been duly delivered to the purchasers thereof in accordance with the applicable definitive purchase, underwriting or similar agreement against payment of the agreed consideration therefor.

Our opinions are subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, fraudulent conveyance, fraudulent transfer and other similar laws relating to or affecting creditors' rights generally and to general equitable principles (regardless of whether considered in a proceeding in equity or at law), including concepts of commercial reasonableness, good faith and fair dealing and the possible unavailability of specific performance or injunctive relief. Our opinion is also subject to (i) provisions of law which may require that a judgment for money damages rendered by a court in the United States of America be expressed only in United States dollars, (ii) requirements that a claim with respect to any Debt Securities or other obligations that are denominated or payable other than in United States dollars (or a judgment denominated or payable other than in United States dollars in respect of such claim) be converted into United States dollars at a rate of exchange prevailing on a date determined pursuant to applicable law and (iii) governmental authority to limit, delay or prohibit the making of payments outside of the United States of America or in a foreign currency.

For the purposes of this letter, we have assumed that, at the time of the issuance, sale and delivery of any of the Securities:

- (i) the Securities being offered will be issued and sold as contemplated in the Registration Statement and the prospectus supplement relating thereto;
- (ii) the execution, delivery and performance by the Company of the Deposit Agreement, the Indenture, each indenture supplement to the Indenture, the Warrant Agreement and the Stock Purchase Contract Agreement, as applicable, and the issuance, sale and delivery of the Securities, will not (A) contravene or violate the Charter or the Bylaws, (B) violate any law, rule or regulation applicable to the Company, (C) result in a default under or breach of any agreement or instrument binding upon the Company or any order, judgment or decree of any court or governmental authority applicable to the Company, or (D) require any authorization, approval or other action by, or notice to or filing with, any court or governmental authority (other than such authorizations, approvals, actions, notices or filings which shall have been obtained or made, as the case may be, and which shall be in full force and effect);
- (iii) the authorization thereof by the Company will not have been modified or rescinded, and there will not have occurred any change in law affecting the validity, legally binding character or enforceability thereof; and
  - (iv) the Charter and the Bylaws, each as currently in effect, will not have been modified or amended and will be in full force and effect.

We have further assumed that each Warrant Agreement, each Deposit Agreement, each Stock Purchase Contract and/or Stock Purchase Unit, the Indenture, each indenture supplement to the Indenture will be governed by the laws of the State of New York.

With respect to each instrument or agreement referred to in or otherwise relevant to the opinions set forth herein (each, an "Instrument"), we have assumed, to the extent relevant to the opinions set forth herein, that (i) each party to such Instrument (if not a natural person) was duly organized or formed, as the case may be, and was at all relevant times and is validly existing and in good standing under the laws of its jurisdiction of organization or formation, as the case may be, and had at all relevant times and has full right, power and authority to execute, deliver and perform its obligations under such Instrument; (ii) such Instrument has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by each party thereto; and (iii) such Instrument was at all relevant times and is a valid, binding and enforceable agreement or obligation, as the case may be, of, each party thereto.

This opinion letter is limited to the DGCL and the laws of the State of New York (excluding the securities laws of the State of New York). We express no opinion as to the laws, rules or regulations of any other jurisdiction, including, without limitation, the federal laws of the United States of America or any state securities or blue sky laws.

We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion letter as an Exhibit to the Registration Statement and to all references to our Firm included in or made a part of the Registration Statement. In giving such consent, we do not thereby admit that we are in the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Securities Act.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Sidley Austin LLP

Exhibit 23.1

### CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We hereby consent to the incorporation by reference in this Registration Statement on Form S-3 of Blackbaud, Inc. of our report dated March 1, 2022 relating to the financial statements which appears in Blackbaud Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2023. We also consent to the reference to us under the heading "Experts" in such Registration Statement.

/s/ PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP Atlanta, Georgia January 10, 2025

### CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We consent to the reference to our firm under the caption "Experts" in the Registration Statement (Form S-3) and related Prospectus of Blackbaud, Inc. for the registration of common stock, preferred stock, depositary shares, warrants, stock purchase contracts, stock purchase units and/or debt securities and to the incorporation by reference therein of our reports dated February 21, 2024, with respect to the consolidated financial statements of Blackbaud, Inc. and the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting of Blackbaud, Inc. included in its Annual Report (Form 10-K) for the year ended December 31, 2023, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP Raleigh, North Carolina January 10, 2025

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM T-1

### STATEMENT OF ELIGIBILITY UNDER THE TRUST INDENTURE ACT OF 1939 OF A CORPORATION DESIGNATED TO ACT AS TRUSTEE

CHECK IF AN APPLICATION TO DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY OF A TRUSTEE PURSUANT TO SECTION 305(b)(2)

# THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, N.A.

(Exact name of trustee as specified in its charter)

(Jurisdiction of incorporation if not a U.S. national bank)	95-3571558 (I.R.S. employer identification no.)
333 South Hope Street Suite 2525 Los Angeles, California (Address of principal executive offices)	90071 (Zip code)

Blackbaud, Inc. (Exact name of obligor as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	11-2617163 (I.R.S. employer identification no.)				
65 Fairchild Street Charleston, South Carolina (Address of principal executive offices)	29492 (Zip code)				

Debt Securities (Title of the indenture securities)

- 1. General information. Furnish the following information as to the trustee:
  - (a) Name and address of each examining or supervising authority to which it is subject.

Name Address

Comptroller of the Currency
United States Department of the
Treasury

Federal Reserve Bank San Francisco, CA 94105

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Washington, DC 20429

(b) Whether it is authorized to exercise corporate trust powers.

Yes.

### 2. Affiliations with Obligor.

If the obligor is an affiliate of the trustee, describe each such affiliation.

None.

### 16. List of Exhibits.

Exhibits identified in parentheses below, on file with the Commission, are incorporated herein by reference as an exhibit hereto, pursuant to Rule 7a-29 under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939 (the "Act").

- 1. A copy of the articles of association of The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., formerly known as The Bank of New York Trust Company, N.A. (Exhibit 1 to Form T-1 filed with Registration Statement No. 333-121948 and Exhibit 1 to Form T-1 filed with Registration Statement No. 333-152875).
- 2. A copy of certificate of authority of the trustee to commence business. (Exhibit 2 to Form T-1 filed with Registration Statement No. 333-121948).
- 3. A copy of the authorization of the trustee to exercise corporate trust powers (Exhibit 3 to Form T-1 filed with Registration Statement No. 333-152875).

- 4. A copy of the existing by-laws of the trustee (Exhibit 4 to Form T-1 filed with Registration Statement No. 333-229762).
- 6. The consent of the trustee required by Section 321(b) of the Act (Exhibit 6 to Form T-1 filed with Registration Statement No. 333-152875).
- 7. A copy of the latest report of condition of the Trustee published pursuant to law or to the requirements of its supervising or examining authority.

### SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Act, the trustee, The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., a banking association organized and existing under the laws of the United States of America, has duly caused this statement of eligibility to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, all in the City of Jacksonville, and State of Florida, on the 23rd day of December, 2024.

THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, N.A.

By: /s/ Michael C. Jenkins

Name: Michael C. Jenkins Title: Vice President

### Consolidated Report of Condition of THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, N.A. of 333 South Hope Street, Suite 2525, Los Angeles, CA 90071

At the close of business September 30, 2024, published in accordance with Federal regulatory authority instructions.

Dollar amounts<u>in</u> thousands

<u>ASSETS</u>		
Cash and balances due from depository institutions:		
Noninterest-bearing balances and currency and coin		26,798
Interest-bearing balances		301,825
Securities:		
Held-to-maturity securities		0
Available-for-sale debt securities		525
Equity securities with readily determinable fair values not held for trading		0
Federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell:		
Federal funds sold in domestic offices		0
Securities purchased under agreements to resell		0
Loans and lease financing receivables:		
Loans and leases held for sale		0
Loans and leases held for investment	0	
LESS: Allowance for credit losses on loans and leases	0	
Loans and leases held for investment, net of allowance	0	
Trading assets		0
Premises and fixed assets (including right-of-use assets)		10,600
Other real estate owned		0
Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies		0
Direct and indirect investments in real estate ventures		0
Intangible assets		856,313
Other assets		95,524
Total assets	\$	1,291,585
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Deposits:		
In domestic offices		1,118
Noninterest-bearing	1,118	
Interest-bearing	0	
Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase:		
Federal funds purchased in domestic offices		0
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase		0
Trading liabilities		0
Other borrowed money:		
(includes mortgage indebtedness and obligations under capitalized leases)		0
Not applicable		
Not applicable		
Subordinated notes and debentures		0
Other liabilities		257,847
Total liabilities		258,965
Not applicable		
EQUITY CAPITAL		
Perpetual preferred stock and related surplus		0
Common stock		1,000
Surplus (exclude all surplus related to preferred stock)		107,099
Not available		
Retained earnings		924,518
Accumulated other comprehensive income		3
Other equity capital components		0
Not available		
Total bank equity capital		1,032,620
Noncontrolling (minority) interests in consolidated subsidiaries		0
Total equity capital		1,032,620
Total liabilities and equity capital		1,291,585

I, Shana Quinn, CFO of the above-named bank do hereby declare that the Reports of Condition and Income (including the supporting schedules) for this report date have been prepared in conformance with the instructions issued by the appropriate Federal regulatory authority and are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Shana Quinn ) CFO

LIABILITIES

We, the undersigned directors (trustees), attest to the correctness of the Report of Condition (including the supporting schedules) for this report date and declare that it has been examined by us and to the best of our knowledge and belief has been prepared in conformance with the instructions issued by the appropriate Federal regulatory authority and is true and correct.

Kevin C. Weeks, President	)	
Cathleen Sokolowski, Managing Director	)	Directors (Trustees)
Jon M. Pocchia, Senior Director	)	

### **Calculation of Filing Fee Tables**

### Form S-3

(Form Type)

### Blackbaud, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

### Table 1: Newly Registered and Carry Forward Securities

	Security Type	Security Class Title (1)(2)	Fee Calculation or Carry Forward Rule	Amount Registered	Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Unit	Maximum Aggregate Offering Price	Fee Rate	Amount of Registration Fee		Carry Forward File Number	Carry Forward Initial effective date	Filing Fee Previously Paid In Connection with Unsold
												Securities to be Carried Forward
					Newly Re	gistered Sec	urities					
Fees to Be Paid	Equity	Stock, \$0.001 par value per share (3) (4)	Rule 456(b) And Rule 457(r)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)				
	Equity	Stock (3) (4)	Rule 456(b) And Rule 457(r)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)				
	Other	Shares (3) (5)	Rule 456(b) And Rule 457(r)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)				
	Other	(6)	Rule 456(b) And Rule 457(r)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)				
	Other	Stock Purchase Contracts (7)	Rule 456(b) And Rule 457(r)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)				
	Other	Stock Purchase Units (8)	Rule 456(b) And Rule 457(r)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)				
	Debt	Debt Securities (3)	Rule 456(b) And Rule 457(r)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)				
Fees Previously Paid	N/A				_							
					Carry F	orward Secui	ities					
Carry Forward Securities	N/A			_		_			_		_	_
			ering Amount					_				
			Previously Pa	id				_				
	Total Fee Offsets							_				
		Net	Fee Due					_				

<sup>(1)</sup> An indeterminate aggregate initial offering price and number or amount of the securities of each identified class is being registered as may from time to time be sold by Blackbaud, Inc. (the "Registrant") at indeterminate prices. Separate consideration may or may not be received for securities that are issuable upon conversion of, or in exchange for, or upon exercise of, convertible or exchangeable securities. In reliance on and in accordance with Rules 456(b) and 457(r) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the Registrant is deferring payment of all of the registration fee.

<sup>(2)</sup> The securities registered under this registration statement may be sold separately, together or as units with other securities registered under this registration statement.

<sup>(3)</sup> Common stock, preferred stock, depositary shares and debt securities, as may be issuable upon conversion or redemption of common stock, preferred stock, depositary shares or debt securities, as the case may be, or upon the exercise of warrants, in each case, registered under this registration statement.

<sup>(4)</sup> Common stock and preferred stock may be issued by the Registrant upon settlement of the stock purchase contracts or stock purchase units of the Registrant, in each case, registered under this registration statement.

Depositary shares will be evidenced by depositary receipts issued pursuant to a deposit agreement. In the event that the Registrant elects to offer to the public fractional interests in shares of preferred stock registered under this registration statement, depositary receipts will be distributed to those persons purchasing such fractional interests and the shares of preferred stock will be issued to the depositary under the applicable deposit agreement.

- (6) Warrants may represent rights to purchase our common stock, preferred stock or debt securities, in each case, registered under this registration statement.
- (7) Stock purchase contracts may be issued separately or as stock purchase units.
- (8) Stock purchase units may consist of a stock purchase contract and debt securities or preferred stock, in each case, registered under this registration statement or debt obligations of third parties, including U.S. treasury securities, securing the holders' obligations to purchase our common stock or preferred stock under the stock purchase contracts.