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Mr. Herrmann first joined Franklin in the summer of 1988, working as an intern in the Marketing Department. He joined Franklin full-time in the Investment Advisory group as a quantitative equity analyst in 1989. That year, he also became a fundamental research analyst, specializing in analysis of the electronic technology sector. Initially involved in the creation of the Franklin Flex Cap Growth Fund, he became the lead manager in July 1993.

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