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## Latricia Shepard Moderates Future of Technology Panel at AOT Atlanta Launch

Spencer Fane Chief Talent & Diversity Officer **Latricia Shepard** moderated a panel for the America on Tech (AOT) Atlanta Launch event on July 10.

The event, An Evening Celebrating the Future of Tech in Atlanta, not only commemorated AOT's milestone expansion and Intro to AI program launch but also featured insights from top technology executives in the area. In addition to Latricia's panel, Future of Work in Technology in Atlanta, the gathering also showcased inspiring student stories highlighting AOT's national impact; provided networking opportunities with corporate, philanthropic, and community leaders; and offered a cocktail reception and explorative discussions on the future of Atlanta's tech ecosystem.

"I have a huge passion for pipeline development and skill building," Latricia said of the mission she shares with AOT. "Whether it's early up the education chain or within a professional setting, providing development to sharpen skills not only advances someone in their position but their mindset as well. We are all continuous learners. All of us!"

As the leader of the firm's HR team, Latricia works across Spencer Fane with stakeholders ranging from individual employees to Talent Team leads to the firm's DEI Committee to create and implement a talent model that ensures employees can engage, learn, and grow with the firm. Harnessing extensive experience leading global and domestic people operations, systems, processes, and solutions, she plays a significant role in helping the firm nurture a culture of continual development, empowerment, autonomy, and accountability.

AOT is a national nonprofit and early pipeline tech talent accelerator dedicated to creating equitable access to technology careers for the next generation. Their free, high-quality technology education and workforce readiness programs equip underserved students with in-demand skills and opportunities in areas such as web development, artificial intelligence, UX design, product management, digital marketing, data science, and cybersecurity. In addition to Atlanta, AOT programs have served thousands of students and early-career professionals in New York City, Los Angeles, and Miami.

Learn more about AOT's mission here.