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INVESCO MORTGAGE CAPITAL INC.

Two Peachtree Pointe

1555 Peachtree Street N.E.

Atlanta, Georgia 30309

March 20, 2012

Dear Fellow Stockholder,

You are cordially invited to attend the 2012 Annual Meeting of Stockholders of Invesco Mortgage Capital Inc., which will be held on Thursday, May 3, 2012 at 2:00 p.m., Eastern Time, in the Appalachians Room, 18th Floor, at our headquarters, located at Two Peachtree Pointe, 1555 Peachtree Street N.E., Atlanta, Georgia 30309. Details of the business to be presented at the meeting can be found in the accompanying Notice of Annual Meeting and Proxy Statement.

We are pleased to again this year furnish proxy materials to our stockholders over the Internet. The e-proxy process expedites stockholders receipt of proxy materials and lowers the costs and reduces the environmental impact of our Annual Meeting. On March 20, 2012, we mailed to our stockholders a Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials (Notice). The Notice contained instructions on how to access our 2012 Proxy Statement, Annual Report on Form 10-K and other soliciting materials and how to vote. The Notice also contains instructions on how you can request a paper copy of the Proxy Statement and Annual Report if you so desire.

We hope you are planning to attend the meeting. Your vote is important and we encourage you to vote promptly. Whether or not you are able to attend the meeting in person, please follow the instructions contained in the Notice on how to vote via the Internet or via the toll-free telephone number, or request a paper proxy card to complete, sign and return by mail so that your shares may be voted.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I extend our appreciation for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,
Neil Williams
Chairman

NOTICE OF 2012 ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

To Be Held May 3, 2012

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 2012 Annual Meeting of Stockholders of Invesco Mortgage Capital Inc. will be held on Thursday, May 3, 2012, at 2:00 p.m., Eastern Time, in the Appalachians Room, 18th Floor, at our headquarters, located at Two Peachtree Pointe, 1555 Peachtree Street N.E., Atlanta, Georgia 30309, for the following purposes:

- 1. To elect six (6) directors to the Board of Directors to hold office until the annual meeting of stockholders in 2013;
- 2. To appoint Grant Thornton LLP as the company s independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2012; and
- 3. To consider and act upon such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof. Only holders of record of our common stock on March 5, 2012 are entitled to notice of and to attend and vote at the Annual Meeting and any adjournment or postponement thereof. Whether or not you are able to attend in person, please vote via the Internet or the toll-free telephone number, or request a paper proxy card to complete, sign and return by mail so that your shares may be voted. Stockholders of record who attend the meeting may vote their common stock in person, even though they have sent in proxies.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

Robert H. Rigsby, Secretary

March 20, 2012

ADMISSION TO THE 2012 ANNUAL MEETING

An admission ticket (or other proof of share ownership) and some form of government-issued photo identification (such as a valid driver s license or passport) will be required for admission to the Annual Meeting. Only stockholders who own common stock as of the close of business on March 5, 2012 and invited guests will be entitled to attend the meeting. An admission ticket will serve as verification of your ownership.

If your shares are registered in your name and you received or accessed your proxy materials electronically over the Internet, click the appropriate box on the electronic proxy card or follow the telephone instructions when prompted and an admission ticket will be held for you at the check-in area at the Annual Meeting.

If your shares are held in a bank or brokerage account, contact your bank or broker to obtain a written legal proxy in order to vote your shares at the meeting. If you do not obtain a legal proxy from your bank or broker, you will not be entitled to vote your shares, but you can still attend the Annual Meeting if you bring a recent bank or brokerage statement showing that you owned common stock on March 5, 2012.

No cameras, recording devices or large packages will be permitted in the meeting room.

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PROXY STATEMENT

This Proxy Statement is furnished in connection with the solicitation of proxies by the Board of Directors of Invesco Mortgage Capital Inc. (Board or Board of Directors) for the Annual Meeting to be held on Thursday, May 3, 2012, at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Time. In this Proxy Statement, except where the context suggests otherwise, the terms company, we, us, and our refer to Invesco Mortgage Capital Inc., together with its consolidated subsidiaries, including IAS Operating Partnership LP, which we refer to as our operating partnership; our Manager refers to Invesco Advisers, Inc., our external manager; Invesco refers to Invesco Ltd., together with its consolidated subsidiaries (other than us), the indirect parent company of our Manager.

Questions and Answers About Voting Your Common Stock

Why did I receive this Proxy Statement?

You have received these proxy materials because the company s Board of Directors is soliciting your proxy to vote your shares at the Annual Meeting on May 3, 2012. This proxy statement includes information that is designed to assist you in voting your shares and information that we are required to provide to you under the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC).

What is a proxy?

A proxy is a written authorization from you to another person that allows such person (the proxy holder) to vote your shares on your behalf. The Board of Directors is asking you to allow any of the following persons to vote your shares at the Annual Meeting: Neil Williams, Chairman of the Board of Directors; Richard J. King, President and Chief Executive Officer; Robson J. Kuster, Chief Operating Officer; Donald R. Ramon, Chief Financial Officer and Robert H. Rigsby, Vice President and Secretary.

Why did I not receive my proxy materials in the mail?

As permitted by rules of the SEC, we are making this Proxy Statement and our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011 (Annual Report) available to our stockholders electronically via the Internet. The e-proxy process expedites stockholders receipt of proxy materials and lowers the costs and reduces the environmental impact of our Annual Meeting.

On March 20, 2012, we mailed to stockholders of record as of the close of business on March 5, 2012 (Record Date) a Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials (Notice) containing instructions on how to access this Proxy Statement, our Annual Report and other soliciting materials via the Internet. If you received a Notice by mail, you will not receive a printed copy of the proxy materials in the mail. Instead, the Notice instructs you on how to access and review all of the important information contained in the Proxy Statement and Annual Report. The Notice also instructs you on how you may submit your proxy. If you received a Notice by mail and would like to receive a printed copy of our proxy materials, you should follow the instructions included in the Notice for requesting such materials.

Who is entitled to vote?

Each holder of record of company common stock on the Record Date for the Annual Meeting is entitled to attend and vote at the Annual Meeting.

What is the difference between holding shares as a stockholder of record and as a beneficial owner?

Stockholders of Record. You are a stockholder of record if at the close of business on the Record Date your shares were registered directly in your name with Computershare, our transfer agent.

Beneficial Owner. You are a beneficial owner if at the close of business on the Record Date your shares were held by a brokerage firm or other nominee and not in your name. Being a beneficial owner means that, like most of our stockholders, your shares are held in street name. As the beneficial owner, you have the right to direct your broker or nominee how to vote your shares by following the voting instructions your broker or other nominee provides. If you do not provide your broker or nominee with instructions on how to vote your shares, your broker or nominee will be able to vote your shares with respect to some of the proposals, but not all. Please see What if I return a signed proxy or voting instruction card, but do not specify how my shares are to be voted? for additional information.

The company has requested banks, brokerage firms and other nominees who hold shares of our common stock on behalf of beneficial owners of the shares as of the close of business on the Record Date to forward the Notice to those beneficial owners. The company has agreed to pay the reasonable expenses of the banks, brokerage firms and other nominees for forwarding these materials.

How many votes do I have?

Every holder of a share of common stock on the Record Date will be entitled to one vote per share for each Director to be elected at the Annual Meeting and to one vote per share on each other matter presented at the Annual Meeting. On the Record Date, there are 115,399,742 shares of common stock outstanding and entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting.

What proposals are being presented at the Annual Meeting?

The company intends to present proposals numbered one and two for stockholder consideration and voting at the Annual Meeting. These proposals are for:

- 1. Election of six (6) members of the Board of Directors; and
- 2. Appointment of Grant Thornton LLP as the company s independent registered public accounting firm.

Other than the matters set forth in this Proxy Statement and matters incident to the conduct of the Annual Meeting, the company does not know of any business or proposals to be considered at the Annual Meeting. If any other business is proposed and properly presented at the Annual Meeting, the proxies received from our stockholders give the proxy holders the authority to vote on such matter in their discretion.

How does the Board of Directors recommend that vote?

How does the Board of Directors recommend that I The Board of Directors recommends that you vote:

FOR the election of the six (6) directors nominated by our Board and named in this proxy statement; and

FOR appointment of Grant Thornton LLP as the company $\,$ s independent registered public accounting firm.

How do I attend the Annual General Meeting?

All stockholders are invited to attend the Annual Meeting. An admission ticket (or other proof of share ownership) and some form of government-issued photo identification (such as a valid driver s license or passport) will be required for admission to the Annual Meeting. Only stockholders who own company common stock as of the close of business on the Record Date and invited guests will be entitled to attend the meeting. An admission ticket will serve as verification of your ownership. Registration will begin at 1:00 p.m. Eastern Time and the Annual Meeting will begin at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

If your company shares are registered in your name and you received or accessed your proxy materials electronically via the Internet, click the appropriate box on the electronic proxy card or follow the telephone instructions when prompted and an admission ticket will be held for you at the check-in area at the Annual Meeting.

If you received your proxy materials by mail and voted by completing your proxy card and checked the box indicating that you plan to attend the meeting, an admission ticket will be held for you at the check-in area at the Annual Meeting.

If your company shares are held in a bank or brokerage account, contact your bank or broker to obtain a written legal proxy in order to vote your shares at the meeting. If you do not obtain a legal proxy from your bank or broker, you will not be entitled to vote your shares, but you can still attend the Annual Meeting if you bring a recent bank or brokerage statement showing that you owned our common stock on the Record Date. You should report to the check-in area for admission to the Annual Meeting.

How do I vote and what are the voting deadlines?

You may vote your shares in person at the Annual Meeting or by proxy. There are three ways to vote by proxy:

Via the Internet: You can submit a proxy via the Internet until 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on May 2, 2012, by accessing the web site *http://www.proxyvoting.com/ivr* and following the instructions you will find on the web site. Internet proxy submission is available 24 hours a day. You will be given the opportunity to confirm that your instructions have been properly recorded.

By Telephone: You can submit a proxy by telephone until 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on May 2, 2012, by calling toll-free 1-866-540-5760 (from the U.S. and Canada) and following the instructions.

By Mail: If you have received your proxy materials by mail, you can vote by marking, dating and signing your proxy card and returning it by mail in the enclosed postage-paid envelope. If you hold your common stock in an account with a bank or broker (i.e. in street name), you can vote by following the instructions on the voting instruction card provided to you by your bank or broker. Proxy cards returned by mail must be received no later than the close of business on May 2, 2012.

Even if you plan to be present at the Annual Meeting, we encourage you to vote your common stock by proxy using one of the methods described above. Stockholders of record who attend the meeting may vote their common stock in person, even though they have sent in proxies.

May I change or revoke my vote?

Yes. You may change your vote in one of several ways at any time before it is exercised:

Grant a subsequent proxy via the Internet or telephone;

Submit another proxy card (or voting instruction card) with a date later than your previously delivered proxy card (or voting instruction card);

Notify our Secretary in writing before the Annual Meeting that you are revoking your proxy or, if you hold your shares in street name, follow the instructions on the voting instruction card; or

If you are a stockholder of record, or a beneficial owner with a proxy from the stockholder of record, vote in person at the Annual Meeting.

What will happen if I do not vote my shares?

Stockholders of Record. If you are the stockholder of record of your shares and you do not vote in person at the Annual Meeting, or by proxy via the Internet, by telephone, or by mail, your shares will not be voted at the Annual Meeting.

Beneficial Owners. If you are the beneficial owner of your shares, your broker or nominee may vote your shares only on those proposals on which it has discretion to vote. Under the rules of the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE), your broker or nominee has discretion to vote your shares on routine matters, such as Proposal 2, but does <u>not</u> have discretion to vote your shares on non-routine matters, such as Proposal 1. Therefore, if you do not instruct your broker as to how to vote your shares on Proposal 1, this would be a broker non-vote, and your shares would not be counted as having been voted on the applicable proposal. We therefore strongly encourage you to instruct your broker or nominee on how you wish to vote your shares.

What is the effect of a broker non-vote or abstention? Under NYSE rules, brokers or other nominees who hold shares for a beneficial owner

have the discretion to vote on a limited number of routine proposals when they have not received voting instructions from the beneficial owner at least ten days prior to the Annual Meeting. A broker non-vote occurs when a broker or other nominee does not receive such voting instructions and does not have the discretion to vote the shares. Pursuant to Maryland law, broker non-votes and abstentions are not included in the determination of the shares of common stock voting on such matter, but are counted for quorum purposes.

What if I return a signed proxy or voting instruction card, but do not specify how my shares are to be voted?

Stockholders of Record. If you are a stockholder of record and you submit a proxy, but you do not provide voting instructions, all of your shares will be voted FOR Proposals 1

Beneficial Owners. If you are a beneficial owner and you do not provide the broker or other nominee that holds your shares with voting instructions, the broker or other nominee will determine if it has the discretionary authority to vote on the particular matter. Under NYSE rules, brokers and other nominees have the discretion to vote on routine matters, such as Proposal 2, but do not have discretion to vote on non-routine matters, such as Proposal 1. Therefore, if you do not provide voting instructions to your broker or other nominee, your broker or other nominee may only vote your shares on Proposal 2 and any other routine matters properly presented for a vote at the Annual Meeting.

of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials?

What does it mean if I receive more than one Notice It means you own company common stock in more than one account, such as individually and jointly with another person. Please vote all of your common stock. Beneficial owners sharing an address who are receiving multiple copies of the Notice or the proxy materials may contact their broker, bank or other nominee to request that only a single copy of such document(s) be mailed to all stockholders at the shared address in the future. In addition, if you are the beneficial owner, your broker, bank or other nominee may deliver only one copy of the Notice or the proxy materials to multiple stockholders who share an address unless that broker, bank or other nominee has received contrary instructions from one or more of the beneficial owners. We will deliver promptly, upon request, a separate copy of the Notice or other proxy materials to a stockholder at a shared address to which a single copy of such document(s) was delivered. Stockholders who wish to receive a separate written copy of such documents, now or in the future, should submit their request to our Secretary via e-mail to: company.secretary@invescomortgagecapital.com or by writing Invesco Mortgage Capital Inc., Attn: Office of the Secretary, 1555 Peachtree Street N.E., Atlanta, Georgia 30309.

What is a quorum?

A quorum is necessary to hold a valid meeting. The presence, in person or by proxy, of stockholders entitled to cast a majority of all the votes entitled to be cast at such meeting on any matter shall constitute a quorum for the conduct of business.

What vote is required in order to approve each proposal?

For each proposal, the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast on such proposal at the Annual Meeting is required. Votes cast include only votes cast with respect to shares present in person or represented by proxy and excludes abstentions and broker non-votes.

How will voting on any other business be conducted? Other than the matters set forth in this Proxy Statement and matters incident to the conduct of the Annual Meeting, we do not know of any business or proposals to be considered at the Annual Meeting. If any other business is proposed and properly presented at the Annual Meeting, the persons named as proxies will vote on the matter in their discretion.

What happens if the Annual Meeting is adjourned or Your proxy will still be effective and will be voted at the rescheduled Annual Meeting. You will still be able to change or revoke your proxy until it is voted. postponed?

Who will count the votes?

A representative of Computershare, our transfer agent, will act as the inspector of election and will tabulate the votes.

How can I find the results of the Annual Meeting?

Preliminary results will be announced at the Annual Meeting. Final results will be published in a Current Report on Form 8-K that we will file with the SEC within four (4) business days after the Annual Meeting.

Who is paying for the costs of this proxy solicitation? We will bear the expense of soliciting proxies. Proxies may also be solicited in person, by telephone or electronically by company personnel who will not receive additional compensation for such solicitation. Copies of proxy materials and our Annual Report will be supplied to brokers and other nominees for the purpose of soliciting proxies from beneficial owners, and we will reimburse such brokers or other nominees for their reasonable expenses.

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PROPOSAL NO. 1

ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

GENERAL

Our Board of Directors currently has five directors, each of whom is serving a one-year term of office that continues until the Annual Meeting in 2012, or until such director s successor has been duly elected and qualified, or such director is removed from office or such director s office is otherwise earlier vacated. The Board of Directors is proposing to expand the number of directors to six, commencing at the close of the Annual Meeting.

The Board has nominated G. Mark Armour, James S. Balloun, John S. Day, Karen Dunn Kelley, James R. Lientz, Jr. and Neil Williams for election as directors of the company for a term ending at the 2013 annual meeting. All of such nominees other than Mr. Lientz are current directors of the company. Each nominee has indicated to the company that he or she would serve if elected.

Under our Bylaws, at any general meeting held for the purpose of electing directors at which a quorum is present, each director nominee receiving a majority of the votes cast with respect to such nominee at the meeting will be elected as a director. If a nominee for director who is an incumbent director is not elected and no successor has been elected at the meeting, the director is required under our Bylaws to submit his or her resignation as a director. Our Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee would then make a recommendation to the full Board on whether to accept or reject the resignation. If the resignation is not accepted by the Board, the director will continue to serve until the next annual meeting and until his or her successor is duly elected, or his or her earlier resignation or removal. If the director s resignation is accepted by the Board, then the Board, in its sole discretion, may fill the vacancy or decrease the size of the Board. However, if the number of nominees exceeds the number of positions available for the election of directors, the directors so elected shall be those nominees who have received the greatest number of votes and at least a majority of the votes cast in person or by proxy.

For a director to be considered independent, the Board must affirmatively determine that the director does not have any material relationship with the company either directly or as a partner, stockholder or officer of an organization that has a relationship with the company. Such determinations are made and disclosed pursuant to applicable NYSE or other rules. A material relationship can include, but is not limited to, commercial, industrial, banking, consulting, legal, accounting, charitable and family relationships. In accordance with the rules of the NYSE, the Board has affirmatively determined that it is currently composed of a majority of independent directors, and that the following directors and director nominee are independent and do not have a material relationship with the company: James S. Balloun, John S. Day, James R. Lientz, Jr. and Neil Williams.

RECOMMENDATION OF THE BOARD

THE BOARD RECOMMENDS A VOTE <u>FO</u>R THE ELECTION TO THE BOARD OF EACH OF THE DIRECTOR NOMINEES. The voting requirements for this proposal are described above and in the Questions and Answers About Voting Your Common Stock section.

INFORMATION ABOUT DIRECTOR NOMINEES

Listed below are the names, ages as of March 20, 2012, and principal occupations for the past five years of the director nominees.

G. Mark Armour (58) Director

Mark Armour has served as a director since June 2008. Mr. Armour is the Co-President, Co-Chief Executive Officer and a Director of our Manager. Mr. Armour is also the Senior Managing Director and Head of Invesco s

Institutional business, positions he has held since January 2007. Mr. Armour was previously the Head of Sales & Client Service for Invesco s Institutional business. He was Chief Executive Officer of Invesco Australia from September 2002 until July 2006. Prior to joining Invesco, Mr. Armour held significant leadership roles in the funds management business, both in Australia and Hong Kong. He previously served as Chief Investment Officer for ANZ Investments and spent almost 20 years with the National Mutual/AXA Australia Group, where he was Chief Executive, and Funds Management from 1998 to 2000. Mr. Armour graduated with a Bachelor of Economics from La Trobe University in Melbourne, Australia.

James S. Balloun (73) Non-Executive Director

James S. Balloun has served as a director since July 2009. Mr. Balloun serves as a non-executive director of our Company and as Chairman of the Compensation Committee. Mr. Balloun was previously the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Acuity Brands, Inc. from November 2001 until his retirement in September 2004 and was the Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of National Services Industries, Inc. prior to National Services Industries, Inc., s spin-off of Acuity Brands in November 2001. Prior to joining National Services Industries, Inc., Mr. Balloun was with McKinsey & Company, Inc. from 1965 to 1996. Mr. Balloun is on the board of directors of Radiant Systems, Inc. where he is the Chairman of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, Enzymatic Deinking Technologies, LLC, Unisen/StarTrac and the Georgia Port Authority. Mr. Balloun received a Bachelor of Science from Iowa State University and a Master of Business Administration from Harvard Business School.

John S. Day (63) Non-Executive Director

John S. Day has served as a director since July 2009. Mr. Day serves as a non-executive director of our Company and as Chairman of the Audit Committee. Mr. Day was previously with Deloitte & Touche LLP from 2002 until his retirement in December 2005. Prior to joining Deloitte & Touche LLP, Mr. Day was with Arthur Andersen LLP from 1976 to 2002. Mr. Day serves on the boards of Edens & Avant Investments Limited Partnership, where he is Chairman of the Audit Committee, and Lenbrook Square Foundation, Inc., where he is Vice-Chairman of the Board and a member of the Audit and Governance and Nominating Committees. From September 2007 to December 2011, Mr. Day served on the board of directors of Force Protection, Inc., where he was the Chairman of the Audit Committee. Mr. Day received a Bachelor of Arts from the University of North Carolina and a Master of Business Administration from Harvard Business School.

Karen Dunn Kelley (51) Director

Karen Dunn Kelley has served as a director since June 2008. Ms. Dunn Kelley is a Senior Managing Director of Invesco and the Chief Executive Officer of Invesco Fixed Income, with responsibility for its fixed income and cash management business. She is also a member of Invesco s Executive Management and Worldwide Institutional Strategy Committees. She is President and Principal Executive Officer of Short-Term Investments Trust and Aim Treasurer s Series Trust and serves on the board of directors for the Short-Term Investments Company (Global Services) plc and Aim Global Management Company, Ltd. Ms. Dunn Kelley joined Invesco Aim Management Group, Inc. in 1989 as a money market Portfolio Manager. Ms. Dunn Kelley has been in the investment business since 1982. Ms. Dunn Kelley graduated with a Bachelor of Science from Villanova University, College of Commerce and Finance.

James R. Lientz, Jr. (68) Non-Executive Director

Jim Lientz has more than 35 years of experience in the banking industry and nearly eight in government service. Mr. Lientz served as President of C&S Bank of South Carolina (1990-1992), President of Nationsbank of Georgia (1993-1996) and President, Mid-South Division, of Bank of America (1996-2001). His public sector work was as Chief Operating Officer of the State of Georgia from 2003-2010. Mr. Lientz is currently a Director, Board Advisory Practice, of Talent Quest and a partner with Safe Harbor Consulting. Mr. Lientz also serves as a Director of the Georgia Ports Authority, MidCountry Financial Corp (since 2010), J + J Invision (since 2006) and

Georgia Banking Company (since 2010). Mr. Lientz is a former Director of Georgia Power Company, BlueCross BlueShield of Georgia and NDC Health. Mr. Lientz received a Bachelor of Science degree from Georgia Institute of Technology in 1965 and a Master of Business Administration from Georgia State University in 1971.

Neil Williams (75) Non-Executive Director

Neil Williams has served as a director since July 2009. Mr. Williams serves as the Non-Executive Chairman of the Board of Directors of our Company and as Chairman of the Nominating and Governance Committee. Mr. Williams was previously the general counsel of Invesco from 1999 to 2002. Mr. Williams was a partner of Alston & Bird LLP from 1965 to 1999 where he was managing partner from 1984 through 1996. Mr. Williams serves on the board of directors of Acuity Brands, Inc. and on the board of directors of Printpack, Inc. Mr. Williams is also Chair of the Board of Trustees of The Duke Endowment, a private foundation, and has been a trustee of that foundation since 1997. Mr. Williams received a Bachelor of Arts in 1958 and a J.D. in 1961 from Duke University.

Director and Nominee Qualifications to Serve on our Board

As described in greater detail below, the Board believes that there are certain minimum qualifications that each director nominee must satisfy in order to be suitable for a position as a director. (See below under the caption THE NOMINATING AND CORPORATE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE.) The Board believes that, consistent with these requirements, each member of our Board displays a high degree of personal and professional integrity, an ability to exercise sound business judgment on a broad range of issues, sufficient experience and background to have an appreciation of the issues facing our company, a willingness to devote the necessary time to Board duties, a commitment to representing the best interests of the company and its stockholders and a dedication to enhancing stockholder value. The Board does not consider individual directors to be responsible for particular areas of the Board s focus or specific categories of issues that may come before it. Rather, the Board seeks to assemble a group of directors that, as a whole, represents a mix of experiences and skills that allows appropriate deliberation on all issues that the Board might be likely to consider. Set forth below is a brief description of the particular experience or skills of each director that led the Board to conclude that such person should serve as a director in light of our business and structure.

G. Mark Armour Mr. Armour has spent over 27 years in the investment management industry, including as an investment professional, and in a series of executive management positions, such as managing investment professionals, risk committee oversight and as a former director of publicly listed companies. Through his decades of involvement in all aspects of investment management, he has gained an extensive understanding of many different facets of our organization, which give his participation in our Board s deliberations significant weight.

James S. Balloun Mr. Balloun has extensive experience as both a chairman and chief executive officer of public companies in a variety of industries. Prior to fulfilling these senior leadership roles, Mr. Balloun had counseled management at some of the world s largest companies during his over thirty-year career at one of the world s most respected business consulting firms. Mr. Balloun s broad appreciation for international business issues garnered over this extraordinary career has made him a particularly valuable addition to our directors mix of skills.

John S. Day Mr. Day has amassed extensive experience in finance and accounting, having served for nearly three decades at two of the world s largest accounting firms. In keeping with his experience, Mr. Day chairs our Audit Committee, where he is additionally recognized by the Board as our audit committee financial expert under SEC rules.

Karen Dunn Kelley Ms. Kelley has in-depth experience of the investment aspects of the company s operations, having served since 1982 in capacities of increasing responsibility within our Manager s fixed income and cash management business. Due to her varied roles within Invesco over the past 23 years, Ms. Kelley has gained a broad understanding of the types of business and investment issues that are faced by companies

similar to ours, and this experience has enabled her to provide effective counsel to our Board on many issues of concern to our management.

James R. Lientz, Jr. Mr. Lientz has more than 35 years of broad experience in financial-corporate management, specifically within the financial services industry. In addition, he brings to our board a perspective on leadership developed in the private *and* public sectors, having served as the first Chief Operating Officer for the State of Georgia for seven years. In his consulting business, he continues to work with executives and boards of private and public companies to challenge, validate and adjust their business strategies and assumptions. Mr. Lientz s depth and breadth of board and executive experience uniquely qualify him to provide guidance to our company.

Neil Williams Mr. Williams brings to the Board more than twelve years of experience leading one of the largest law firms in Atlanta, Georgia, where Invesco was founded and grew to prominence. He also has extensive knowledge of our Manager and its business, having served as Invesco s first general counsel from 1999 to 2002. His prior career as one of the region s premier corporate and business lawyers has given Mr. Williams broad experience of the types of issues that are regularly faced by financial service providers such as the company.

INFORMATION ABOUT THE EXECUTIVE OFFICERS OF THE COMPANY

In addition to Mr. Armour and Ms. Kelley, whose information is set forth above, the following is a list of individuals serving as executive officers of the company as of the date of this Proxy Statement. All company executive officers are elected annually and serve at the discretion of the company s Board of Directors or Chief Executive Officer.

Richard J. King, CFA (52) President and Chief Executive Officer.

Mr. King has served as our President and Chief Executive Officer since June 2008. He is also a member of the Invesco Fixed Income senior management team, and is the Head of US Investment Grade Fixed Income Investment, contributing 27 years of fixed income investment expertise. Mr. King joined Invesco in 2000 and has held positions as Senior Portfolio Manager and Product Manager for Core and Core Plus, Head of the Structured Team, and Head of Portfolio Management, leading a team responsible for portfolio management of all investment-grade domestic fixed income portfolios. Prior to Invesco, Mr. King spent two years as Head of Fixed Income at Security Management, and ten years with Criterion Investment Management, where he served as Chairman of the Core Sector Group. He also served as Managing Director and Portfolio Manager with Bear Stearns Asset Management. Starting in 1984, he spent four years with Ohio PERS as an Investment Analyst, with the responsibility of analyzing and trading corporate bonds and mortgage-backed securities. Mr. King began his career in 1981, as an auditor for Touche Ross & Co. Mr. King received a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Ohio State University. Mr. King is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

John M. Anzalone, CFA (47) Chief Investment Officer.

Mr. Anzalone has served as our Chief Investment Officer since June 2009. He is also a Senior Director and Head of Research & Trading, Mortgage-Backed Securities for our Manager. Mr. Anzalone joined Invesco s Fixed Income Division in 2002. As the Head of the MBS group, he is responsible for the application of investment strategy across portfolios consistent with client investment objectives and guidelines. Additionally, the MBS team is responsible for analyzing and implementing investment actions in the residential and commercial mortgage-backed securities sectors. Mr. Anzalone began his investment career in 1992 at Union Trust. In 1994 he moved to AgriBank, FCB, where he served as a Senior Trader for six years. Mr. Anzalone is also a former employee of Advantus Capital Management where he was a Senior Trader responsible for trading mortgage-backed, asset-backed and commercial mortgage securities. Mr. Anzalone received a Bachelor of Arts in Economics from Hobart College and a Master of Business Administration from the Simon School at the University of Rochester. Mr. Anzalone is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

Donald R. Ramon, CPA (48) Chief Financial Officer.

Mr. Ramon has served as our Chief Financial Officer since he joined Invesco in January 2009. Mr. Ramon has 25 years of banking and financial institution experience which includes seven years working directly with mortgage REITs. Mr. Ramon began his career in 1986 with SunTrust Banks, Inc. where he held several accounting and internal audit positions over 13 years, including two years as the Senior Financial Officer for numerous private mortgage REITs. From 1999 to 2005, Mr. Ramon worked for GE Capital Corporation, overseeing their U.S. banking operations. In addition, Mr. Ramon spent two years as Chairman of the Board, Chief Executive Officer and President of GE Money Bank and Monogram Credit Card Bank of Georgia and four years as Chief Financial Officer for the same. From 2005 to 2008, Mr. Ramon was SVP and Controller of HomeBanc Corp., a publicly held mortgage REIT. In 2008, Mr. Ramon was named Acting Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer. Mr. Ramon received a bachelor s degree in Accounting from the University of South Florida. Mr. Ramon is a Certified Public Accountant.

Robson J. Kuster, CFA (38) Chief Operating Officer and Head of Research.

Mr. Kuster has served as our Chief Operating Officer since March 2011 and as Head of Research since July 2009. He has also served as head of structured securities research for Invesco Fixed Income at our Manager s parent, Invesco Ltd., since April 2007. There, Mr. Kuster is responsible for overseeing all structured securities positions across stable value and total return platforms. Additionally, he is closely involved in all structured product development efforts. From September 2002 to April 2007, Mr. Kuster was a credit analyst structured securities. Prior to joining Invesco Ltd. in 2002, Mr. Kuster served as a credit analyst with Bank One Capital Markets, which he joined in 2000. Mr. Kuster received a Bachelor of Arts in both Economics and American History from Cornell College and a Master of Business Administration from DePaul University. Mr. Kuster is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

Board of Directors and Committees. Our business is managed by our Manager, subject to the supervision and oversight of our Board of Directors, which has established investment guidelines for our Manager to follow in its day-to-day management of our business. A majority of our Board of Directors is independent, as determined by the requirements of the NYSE and the regulations of the SEC. Our directors keep informed about our business by attending meetings of our Board of Directors and its committees and through supplemental reports and communications. Our independent directors meet regularly in executive sessions without the presence of our corporate officers or non-independent directors.

Our Board of Directors has formed an Audit Committee, a Compensation Committee and a Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee and has adopted charters for each of these committees. Each of these committees has three directors and is composed exclusively of independent directors, as defined by the listing standards of the NYSE. Moreover, the Compensation Committee is composed exclusively of individuals intended to be, to the extent provided by Rule 16b-3 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), non-employee directors and will, at such times as we are subject to Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code, qualify as outside directors for purposes of Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Corporate Governance Guidelines. The Board has also adopted Corporate Governance Guidelines (Guidelines) which are available in the corporate governance section of the company s Web site at www.invescomortgagecapital.com (the company s Web site). The Corporate Governance Guidelines set forth the practices the Board follows with respect to, among other matters, the composition of the Board, director responsibilities, Board committees, director access to officers, employees and independent advisors, director compensation and performance evaluation of the Board.

Board Leadership Structure. As described in the Guidelines, the company s business is conducted day-to-day by its officers and our external Manager, under the direction of the chief executive officer and the oversight of the Board, to enhance the long-term value of the company for its stockholders. The Board is elected by the stockholders to oversee the officers of the company and our external Manager and to assure that the long-term interests of the stockholders are being served. In light of these differences in the fundamental roles of the Board and management, the company has chosen to separate the chief executive officer and Board chairman positions. The separation of these roles: (i) allows the Board to more effectively monitor and objectively evaluate the performance of the chief executive officer, such that the chief executive officer is more likely to be held accountable for his performance, (ii) allows the non-executive chairman to control the Board s agenda and information flow, and (iii) creates an atmosphere in which other directors are more likely to challenge the chief executive officer and other members of our senior management team. For these reasons, the company believes that this board leadership structure is currently the most appropriate structure for the company. Nevertheless, the Board may reassess the appropriateness of the existing structure at any time, including following changes in Board composition, in management, or in the character of the company s business and operations.

Code of Conduct. Our Board of Directors has established a code of ethics that applies to our officers and directors and to our Manager s officers, directors and personnel when such individuals are acting for or on our behalf (the code of conduct). Among other matters, our code of conduct is designed to deter wrongdoing and to promote:

honest and ethical conduct, including the ethical handling of actual or apparent conflicts of interest between personal and professional relationships;

full, fair, accurate, timely and understandable disclosure in our SEC reports and other public communications;

compliance with applicable governmental laws, rules and regulations;

prompt internal reporting of violations of the code to appropriate persons identified in the code; and

accountability for adherence to the code.

Any waiver of the code of conduct for our executive officers or directors may be made only by our Board of Directors or one of our Board committees. The code of conduct is posted on our company s Web site. We intend to satisfy the disclosure requirement regarding any amendment to, or a waiver of, a provision of the code of conduct by posting such information on our Web site.

Board s Role in Risk Oversight. We believe that risk oversight responsibility rests with the full Board of Directors. Therefore, the Board has principal responsibility for oversight of the company s risk management processes and for understanding the overall risk profile of the company. The Board has not delegated primary risk oversight responsibility to a committee of the Board, although Board committees routinely address specific risks and risk processes within their purview.

The company has in place an enterprise risk management committee consisting of executive and senior management. The committee meets regularly and maintains dialogue with the Board of Directors regarding the top risks of the company and mitigating actions to address them. In addition, since the company is externally managed by our Manager, we rely upon the operational and investment risk oversight functions of our Manager and its Invesco affiliates. In that regard, Invesco s performance and risk professionals at its respective investment centers provide our Manager and its affiliates with investment oversight facilitation and periodic monitoring of investment risks, while Invesco s Corporate Risk Management Committee facilitates a focus on strategic, operational and all other business risks. Through regular and consistent risk communication, our Manager has reasonable assurance that all material operational and investment risks of the company are being addressed.

INFORMATION ABOUT THE BOARD AND ITS COMMITTEES

BOARD MEETINGS AND ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

During the calendar year ended December 31, 2011, the Board held nine meetings (not including committee meetings). Each director attended at least seventy-five percent (75%) of the aggregate of the total number of meetings held by the Board and the total number of meetings held by all committees of the Board on which he or she served during 2011. The Board does not have a formal policy regarding Board member attendance at stockholder meetings. The non-executive directors (those directors who are not officers or employees of the company) meet in executive session at least once per year during a regularly scheduled Board meeting without management. Neil Williams, a non-executive and independent director, presides at the executive sessions of the non-executive directors.

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP AND MEETINGS

The current committees of the Board are the Audit Committee, the Compensation Committee and the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee. The table below provides current membership information.

			Nominating & Corporate
Director	Audit	Compensation	Governance
G. Mark Armour			
James S. Balloun	M	С	M
John S. Day	C	M	M
Karen Dunn Kelley			
Neil Williams	M	M	C

M Member

C Chairman

Below is a description of each committee of the Board. The Board has affirmatively determined that each committee consists entirely of independent directors pursuant to rules established by the NYSE and rules promulgated under the Exchange Act.

THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Audit Committee is chaired by Mr. Day and consists additionally of Messrs. Balloun and Williams. The committee met six times during 2011. Under its charter, the committee:

is comprised of at least three members of the Board, each of whom is independent of the company under the NYSE and SEC rules and is also financially literate, as defined under NYSE rules;

members are appointed and removed by the Board;

is required to meet at least quarterly;

periodically meets with the independent auditor in separate executive sessions without members of senior management present;

has the authority to retain independent advisors, at the company s expense, wherever it deems appropriate to fulfill its duties; and