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Brooke Olson Vuckovic focuses on helping executives define their purpose and presence as leaders; stretching them to become more focused, non-reactive and clear on who they are, where they're going, why they lead, and what the circumstances they face demand of them. Vuckovic teaches leadership coaching to Kellogg's full-time MBA students and has co-developed coaching programs for multiple Executive Education programs. She actively lectures and coaches in a number of programs offered through Northwestern University Kellogg's Allen Center and the Center for Nonprofit Management. Outside of Kellogg, she works with senior executives and "high potentials" in a wide range of industries – from finance, consumer products, technology, law, education, management and technical consulting, government, and non-profit management. Vuckovic received her MA and PhD from the University of Chicago, where she also taught in the University of Chicago Booth School of Business's popular Business Communications program. Her research focused on how "narrative" and "story telling" helps individuals define who they are and what is most important to them and their communities. Her experiences include executive positions at Cardean University, whose online MBA program was developed with Columbia University Business School, Stanford University, London School of Economics, and the University of Chicago's Graduate School of Business.