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Joanna Reiss, 34 | Partner | Cornell Capital | Few raises for first-time funds are as successful as the achievement of Cornell Capital, the New York and Hong Kong-based firm, which secured \$1.3 billion in 2018 for investment in the consumer, energy, industrial and financial sectors. Reiss was instrumental both in the fundraise and in building the firm, founded five years before by Henry Cornell. In the years up to this success, Reiss, a specialist in industrials, sourced and co-executed the investments in Talcott Resolution, the life and annuity insurer, and Corelle Brands (formerly World Kitchen), manufacturer of the Pyrex brand of baking dishes. She also made the firm's investments in MRC Global, a pipe and valve distributor, and Monolith Materials, which makes carbon black. Reiss is a member of the board of Corelle Brands and Monolith Materials.