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PRESIDENT



Matt Cooley is the President of the New York City Chapter of Financial Executives International. Prior to this, Matt was VP Sponsorship for two years. He joined FEI in early 2014.

Matt is currently Head of Business Control for Ericsson's industry leading billing and revenue management software business, which supports over 2 billion consumers globally. Matt moved from Silicon Valley in 2012 accepting a transfer as Vice President of Finance & CFO of Telcordia Technologies, a company acquired by Ericsson. He has also held senior finance and operations roles at Redback Networks, BackWeb Technologies, Oracle, The Pacific Stock Exchange, and a customer care company he co-founded on Maui.

In addition to FEI, Matt attends tech Meetups and supports entrepreneurial projects in his spare time. He has a MBA from San Francisco State University and a Bachelor of Science in International Business from California State University, Sacramento. Matt resides with his wife and son in Cranbury, New Jersey.

TREASURER



Mitchell Peipert is the Treasurer of the New York City Chapter of Financial Executives International. He has been a member since 2001.

Mitch has been Vice President-Finance & Chief Financial Officer of Thomas Publishing Company since November 2006. He oversees finance and information technology and provides strategic vision to executive management.

Prior to joining Thomas Publishing Company, Mitch was Vice President-Chief Financial Officer, Secretary and Treasurer at CSI, a publicly held information technology consulting company. He held that position from January 2001 through October 2006. In addition to taking the company public, he took the lead role in five successful acquisitions in three years.

From April 1992 until January 2001, Mitch served as Senior Vice President of Operations and Controller of TSR Wireless LLC, where he directed the finance, operations and human resources functions. He also assisted the Chief Executive Officer in strategic planning, capital raising and acquisitions. Prior to his employment by TSR, he held various managerial roles for Anchin, Block & Anchin, Merrill Lynch and Grant Thornton.

Mitch is a CPA and attained his MBA in financial management from Pace University. He is a member of the American Institute of CPA's, and the New York State Society of CPA's. He is also on the Board of Advisors of Boomerang.org and KidBacker.

SECRETARY



David Nichols is the Secretary of the New York City Chapter of Financial Executives International. He has been a member since 2001.

David is the President of Starfire Management which consults in the areas of accounting, finance and real estate. Prior to forming Starfire, David was the Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Stonehenge Capital, a private equity and real estate organization. David oversaw over 250 individual entities and a real estate portfolio in excess of 10 million square feet. David started his career with Grant Thornton, certified public accountants.

David holds patents in the areas of fundraising, marketing and augmented reality. He formed Boomerang.org to use new technologies to raise funds and awareness for various charitable causes. David is a CPA and a member of the American Institute of CPA's, and the New York State Society of CPA's.

DIRECTOR



Alvin Fenichel is a Director and past President of the New York City Chapter of the Financial Executives International. He has been a member of the FEI since 1976.

Al was Senior Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer of AXA Financial upon his retirement in 2012. During his 25 years with AXA, his responsibilities included traditional controllership functions of an SEC registrant and maintenance of financial reporting and financial management information on US GAAP, IFRS and insurance statutory accounting bases. Additionally, Al partnered with product, distribution, service, investments, risk management and IT business areas in support of critical strategic initiatives and growth opportunities.

Prior to joining AXA, Al was with CBS Inc. for 15 years serving in financial positions including officer responsible for worldwide Internal Audit and senior financial officer for the consumer products group with extensive involvement in mergers and acquisitions.

Al began his career with Coopers and Lybrand after graduating from Rider University. He received his MBA in Executive Management from Pace University.

Al is currently a member of the Board of Advisors of H. S. Grace & Company, a litigation consulting firm. Additionally, Al serves on the Town of Greenburg (NY) Water Advisory Board and provides financial and operational assistance to the Town Supervisor. Al is a member of the American Institute of CPA's and the Accounting Advisory Board of Rider University.

He resides with his wife in Scarsdale, NY and has two children and 2 grandchildren.

DIRECTOR



S. Colin Neill, is a Director of the New York City Chapter of Financial Executives International and has been a FEI member since 1992. Currently he is semi-retired, serving on a few boards, both commercial and nonprofit.

For the past twenty years, Colin was involved in the biotechnology industry, serving as President and CFO of Pharmos Corporation, and earlier as CFO of Axonyx Inc. and ClinTrials Research Inc.

Before moving into the biotechnology industry, Colin gained experience as Vice President of Finance and Chief Financial Officer of BTR Inc., a \$3.5 billion US subsidiary of BTR plc, a British diversified manufacturing company, and Vice President Financial Services of The BOC Group Inc., a \$2.5 billion British owned industrial gas company with substantial operations in the health care field. Colin served four years with American Express Travel Related Services, first as chief internal auditor for worldwide operations and then as head of business planning and financial analysis.

Colin began his career in public accounting with Arthur Andersen LLP in Ireland and later with Price Waterhouse LLP as a senior manager in New York City. He also served with Price Waterhouse for two years in Paris, France. Colin graduated from Trinity College, Dublin with a first class honors degree in Business/Economics and he holds a master's degree in Accounting and Finance from the London School of Economics. He is a CPA in New York State and a Chartered Accountant in Ireland.

DIRECTOR



John O'Day is a Director of the New York City Chapter of Financial Executives International. He has been a member since 2000.

John's background is especially valuable to clients who can benefit from the strategies he builds to manage their personal and business finances and investments. John joined Morgan Stanley in March 2015 as a Senior Vice President Financial Advisor and Corporate Retirement Director after nearly fifteen years at Merrill Lynch. Prior to that, John had almost two decades of experience, holding senior corporate treasury positions at Fortune 500 companies including Marsh & McLennan Companies, RJR Nabisco and Carter-Wallace.

Over the years, John has earned the reputation of truly understanding his client's needs. He prides himself on the relationships he has nurtured during his tenor in the financial services industry, and strives to deliver an exceptional experience to his clientele, serving as their chief advocate. His ultimate goal is to develop a comprehensive wealth management portfolio that integrates their unique risk/reward profile with estate conversation and tax planning strategies to help them achieve their financial goals and leave the legacy they desire.

John earned a B.A. from Manhattan College and an MBA in Finance from Fordham University. He is active in his community of Rockville Centre and supportive of many charitable organizations including The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, St Jude's Children Hospital and Wounded Warrior. He enjoys the beach, Cross-fit training and is an avid New York Ranger hockey fan.

DIRECTOR/NOMINATIONS CHAIR



Dana Price is a Director and recent past President of the New York City Chapter of Financial Executives International. Prior to this, Dana was the Programming Chair for two years. She has been a member since 2011.

Dana is VP of Mergers & Acquisitions at McGraw Hill Education and has been in that role since 2013. She is involved in deals across the entire company as well as capital markets transactions and other special projects. She is also part of the company's mentor program.

Prior to joining McGraw Hill Education she held several Chief Financial Officer roles and spent a number of years at Primedia in an M&A capacity. Dana has worked on over 100 transactions both on the buy and sell side including the integration of acquisitions. She has also spent two years in the tech startup world.

Dana began her career at Deloitte, she is a CPA and holds a bachelor's degree from Binghamton University and a MBA from Cornell University. She is a member of the New York State Society of CPAs and is also President of the Cornell Johnson Club of NYC.

DIRECTOR



Christina Spade is a Director of the New York City Chapter of Financial Executives International. She has been a member of FEI since 2012.

Christina Spade serves as Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer for Showtime Networks Inc. She is responsible for all financial matters relating to Showtime Networks' businesses, and oversees the finance and strategy for the network's divisions including budgeting, planning, forecasting and accounting of all the business segments within SNI. A vital member of Showtime Networks' senior management team, Spade also serves as one of SNI's primary liaisons to the CBS Corporation. Showtime Networks is one of CBS Corporation's largest divisions and a key generator of revenue. She also oversees the network's information technology division and serves as a member of the board for Smithsonian Channel™.

Christina previously served as Senior Vice President, Affiliate Finance and Business Operations for Showtime Networks Inc., where she led the financial and business operations' management of distribution revenue and sales, marketing and creative expenses for SNI. She has worked in different capacities at Showtime Networks during her over 19 years with the Company, including programming finance leadership and as a key steward of the successful implementation of various financial, operational and reporting systems. Prior to joining SHOWTIME, she was an Audit Manager with Pricewaterhouse Coopers in the Entertainment, Media and Communications practice.

Christina is currently an executive member of the Board of Directors for the T. Howard Foundation as Treasurer.

She is a CPA and graduated with a B.A. in Accounting from St. Joseph's University.

DIRECTOR



Glenn Tyranski is a Director of the New York City Chapter of Financial Executives International. He has been a member of FEI since 1998.

Glenn is Executive Director in Ernst & Young's Financial Accounting and Advisory Services (FAAS). Glenn supports various accounts in the Northeast region. Glenn also works with EY's IPO Leaders in bringing his listing experience to EY's IPO Readiness discussions.

He joined Ernst & Young in 2014 and is based in the New York office. Prior to his current FAAS role, Glenn served as the Senior Vice President, Financial Compliance for the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) Regulation. In this role, Glenn managed the financial reviews of prospective as well as existing listed companies, both domestic and international.

Glenn's areas of specialization include disclosure, corporate reporting, IPO readiness, corporate governance, board of director audit committee initiatives and globalization. He is experienced in navigating the complexities of the capital markets and working with business of all sizes. Prior to his tenure at the NYSE, he served 13 years of experience working as a senior manager in KPMG's audit practice.

Glenn is a graduate of King's College (BS Accounting and BS Computers and Information Systems, summa cum laude) and a CPA in New York. He is a member of the New York State Society of CPA's, the American Institute of CPA's, Financial Executives International (New York City Chapter Leadership Team) and the National Association of Corporate Directors.

DIRECTOR



Linda Zukauckas is a Director and past President of the New York City Chapter of Financial Executives International. She has been a member of FEI since 2002.

Linda has been EVP & Corporate Controller of American Express since 2011. She has broad responsibilities across Finance, leading all Record-to-Report processes globally, in addition to Global Tax. Her team encompasses more than 1,500 employees in over 35 countries. Linda is a member of American Express's Global Management Team and sits on several leadership committees within the Company. Linda is the executive sponsor of the Company's Executive Women's Interest Network. Linda is also a member of the Board of Directors of American Express Global Business Travel, a 50/50 JV between American Express and third-party investors.

Prior to joining American Express, Linda held various senior leadership roles at Ally Financial (formerly GMAC Inc), including Managing Director Corporate Strategy at Ally Financial, where she had responsibility for bank strategy matters, including M&A. Previously she was Chief Financial Officer of North America Auto Finance, Ally Financial's largest business segment; Group Vice President Finance, where she led Finance transformation; and previously led GMAC's global controllership and internal audit functions.

Prior to joining GMAC, Linda held senior leadership roles at Deutsche Bank/Bankers Trust, in both New York and in the Asia Region, during which time she was based in Singapore. She began her career at PricewaterhouseCoopers. Linda is active in the finance profession. She is the Past President of the New York City Chapter of Financial Executives International and, together with other Fortune 100 Controllers, is a member of FEI's Committee on Corporate Reporting. Linda also serves on the Board of Directors of FEI at the National level. Linda is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. She holds a Bachelor of Business Administration (Accounting) degree from Texas Tech University. Linda and her husband James have a son (Chris) and a daughter (Charlotte) and reside in New York City.

VP PROGRAMMING



Alexander Kotlyarevsky is the Vice President of Programming for the New York City Chapter of Financial Executives International. He has been a member since 2009.

Alex is currently Vice President of Finance at AR Global overseeing financial and strategic planning, infrastructure, treasury, risk and asset management, M&A activities, profit improvement, and other special projects.

Prior to joining AR Global, he held several senior finance and operations positions and spent a number of years at Cushman & Wakefield and Saks Fifth Avenue.

Alex has an MBA in Financial Management and Public Accounting from Pace University. He resides with his wife and two sons in Woodbridge, New Jersey.

VP SPONSORSHIP



Nicholas Mitrakis is the Vice President of Sponsorships for the New York City chapter of Financial Executives International. From 2004-2007 he was the Programs Chair, Sponsorship Chair, Secretary and 2nd Vice President of the Dallas chapter of FEI. He has been a member of FEI since 2003.

Nicholas is currently Co-Founder / COO & CFO at Project HQ an eLearning startup working with universities' alumni associations to improve their career services quality. He was previously the CFO and COO of K2 Partnering Solutions Ltd a \$200M global IT services firm based in London, UK. Prior to this, Nicholas was the Head of Global Transformation/Corporate Development and also CFO Americas at Michael Page International a global specialist recruitment consultancy with \$1.6B in sales and 5,500 employees in 35 countries.

Nicholas began his career at global industrial conglomerate SIEMENS in New York City and Dallas, TX where he held positions of increasing responsibility rising through the ranks from operational audit to strategic planning and divisional CFO roles.

Nicholas speaks fluent German and Greek and is proficient in French. He holds a B.S. in Finance and International Business from Fordham University's Gabelli School of Business and an Executive Certificate in Strategy & Innovation from MIT's Sloan School of Business. He is a committee member of the CFO Leadership Group, a board member of CEO Trust, a partner and advisor at FinTech startup Cashforce, and volunteers his time to multiple organizations helping individuals in job transition.

VP MEMBERSHIP

Kevin Hanrahan is the Vice President of membership of the New York City Chapter of Financial Executives International. He has been a member since 2014.

Kevin Hanrahan is co-CEO and CFO of TranSigma Partners, leading the strategic and financial areas of the firm. With over 30 years leadership experience in management consulting and industry, he has specific interests in process optimization; particularly finance-related corporate functions.

Kevin is a Certified Public Accountant (CPA), Chartered Global Management Accountant (CGMA), Certified Management Accountant (CMA), Lean Six Sigma Master Black Belt, certified Project Management Professional (PMP), and Certified Information Technology Professional (CITP). He is a member of Financial Executives International (Manhattan Chapter), the Ohio Society of CPA's, American Institute of CPA's, Information Systems Audit and Control Association and the Project Management Institute.

Kevin graduated summa cum laude with a degree in Accounting from Xavier University. He also received his Masters in Finance and Tax from Xavier University.

CAREER SERVICES CHAIR

Mark O'Connell is the career services chair of the New York City Chapter of Financial Executives International.

Mark O'Connell has more than 20 years of experience specializing in all areas of business development, sales, marketing, and revenue generation for professional services firms. He has worked with professionals and industry experts across multiple service lines to provide solutions to his clients' needs.

Prior to joining Citrin Cooperman, Mark served as a business development executive at Grant Thornton LLP. Before that role, he was a managing director at a global valuation firm, American Appraisal, in addition to having business development experience at a Big 4 accounting firm.

Mark has experience working with both public and private companies, hedge funds and private equity funds, law firms, and other professional services firms.

Mark is a board member of the New York Financial Executives Institute, a member of The Association for Corporate Growth, and a member of the Board of Trustees for The Multiple Sclerosis Society, New Jersey Metro Chapter. He is also a former business advisor to The Board of Trustees of Ramapo College, as well as a former board member of the New Jersey Turnaround Management Association.

Mark holds a Master of Business Administration and a B.S. in Accounting and Tax from Fairleigh Dickinson University.

CHAPTER ADMINISTRATOR

Sarah Kuhns is the Chapter Administrator for the New York City Chapter of Financial Executives International. She began working with FEI in 2013.

Sarah has worked for GMW Management since September 2008 as the Director of Operations. Sarah is in charge of overseeing the daily activities within the office. She also is responsible for reviewing and evaluating business procedures. Sarah works to pursue and obtain new clients, while working closely with the current clients to make sure all of their needs are met. Sarah provides in-house and on-site support for the current clients, alongside the other members of the team.

Prior to working with GMW, Sarah held a brief position at the Academy Group, introducing her to the field of association management. This introduction sparked a sincere desire to follow this career path, leading her to GMW Management in 2008.

Sarah has previously worked in advertising sales, human resources and restaurant management.

Sarah received her Bachelor's in Interdisciplinary Studies from the University of Connecticut. Sarah currently resides in Monroe, Connecticut with her husband and 3 children. She enjoys running, skiing, and reading in her limited free time.