MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 8, 2022

TO: Council Voting Members

FROM: Council Nominating Committee:
   Vicky Bailey, Chair       Jeri Fellerman       Jennifer Tapper
   Christy Brundage         Jodi Morton          Harriett Thompson
   Berniece Collis          Jeri Somers          Mary Karen Wills

SUBJECT: Slate of Nominees for Elective Positions

The Nominating Committee submits for consideration this year’s nominees:

   Seven for Members-at-Large, Board of Directors (three-year term)
   Two for Members-at-Large, Board of Directors (unexpired two-year term)
   Two for Members-at-Large, Board of Directors (one-year term, teen girls)
   Three for Members of the Nominating Committee (three-year term)
   Thirty-three for National Delegates to the National Council of GSUSA
   Seventeen for Alternate National Delegate to the National Council of GSUSA

In accordance with the Council’s Bylaws, twenty-one members of the Board of Directors are elected for three-year terms in rotation; that is seven members elected each year except where nominees are elected to fill an unexpired term. Two teen girls are also elected for a one-year term on the Board of Directors each year. Three Nominating Committee members are elected each year in rotation out of a total of nine, except where nominees are elected to fill an unexpired term. Additionally, every three years National Delegates and Alternate National Delegates to the National Council of GSUSA are elected for a term of three years to represent the Council at the National Convention.

All nominees were chosen for their willingness to commit themselves to the goals of Girl Scouting and bring their skills to the organization. With their background and experience these new members, together with the ongoing members of the Board and Nominating Committee, will provide leadership for our future. A brief biographical profile of each nominee follows. Ongoing Board and Nominating Committee members are listed on subsequent pages for your information.

The Nominating Committee worked many hours to build the attached slate and unanimously recommends the following nominees to the Council for election.

Attachment
Nominees and ongoing Board and Nominating Committee Members
Tracy DeCock
Washington, DC

Executive Vice President and Corporate Banking Market Leader for Greater Maryland and Greater Washington Area PNC Bank

Tracy DeCock has more than 25 years of corporate banking experience, advising clients on financial decisions in the areas of capital raising, treasury management, mergers and acquisitions, etc… She runs one of the bank’s largest corporate markets and has also led the bank’s Commercial and Corporate Banking Development Program (CCBDP). The CCBDP role involved recruiting, training, and placing collegiate talent across the bank’s franchise. Prior to joining PNC, she worked for her family business in the real estate and retail industries. She also worked for Bank of America in Chicago.

Although her day job has been helping clients and developing future banking/industry leaders, Tracy has served in several DEI Leadership Roles for PNC as well. These roles include founding and sponsoring our headquarter women’s EBRG, Women Connect, and currently serving as Executive Sponsor of C&IB ForWARD. This initiative is focused on retaining and promoting early-career women in corporate banking. Tracy has received recognition for her professional success and diversity leadership which includes Western PA Athena finalist, Girl Scouts of Western PA Women and Girls of Distinction (2017), and Working Mother of the year for PNC in Working Mother Magazine.

She has served on The United Way of Southwestern PA Board of Directors and was the chair of their Women’s Leadership Committee for two campaigns. She also was on the board of Little Lake Theatre.

Tracy is a graduate of Indiana University with a B.S. in finance. She and her husband are recent empty-nesters with two adult children and a rescue dog.
Paul Donato  
Arlington, VA  
Principal  
Ernst & Young LLP

As the Principal at Ernst & Young LLP, Paul leads the Business and Technology Consulting practice for the Government & Public Sector practice. He holds a BA from the University of Virginia.

He is the proud father of a Girl Scout Brownie and has been instrumental in helping her sell Girl Scout cookies. Paul has been a member of Girl Scouts Nation’s Capital Board of Directors since 2020. He is a member of the Golf Classic Committee, former co-chair of the Strategic Planning Ad Hoc Committee, and former member of the Governance Advisory Committee.

Natalie O. Ludaway  
Washington, DC  
Chief Growth & Legal Officer  
CINQ Care Inc.

Natalie is the Chief Growth & Legal Officer with CINQ Care Inc., a community-based ambulatory delivery system, with the mission to improve the health and well-being of their members and communities; and embracing the opportunity to deliver whole person care to Black and Brown populations, especially those hit hard by COVID-19.

Natalie is a former a partner of Crowell & Moring LLP Washington, D.C. office and a member of its State Attorneys General Enforcement & Investigations and Advertising & Media groups. With both government and private practice experience, Natalie approaches matters with a true appreciation for the complexities of the regulatory, enforcement, and litigation spaces.

During her five years (2015-2020) as Chief Deputy of the Office of Attorney General (OAG) for the District of Columbia, Natalie oversaw multistate and single jurisdiction investigations, enforcement, and litigation matters in all areas of AG authority.

Natalie has been a member of Girl Scouts Nation’s Capital Board of Directors since 2019. She is a member of the Investment Committee, Major Gifts Committee, Women’s Advisory Board, former member of the Strategic Planning Ad Hoc Committee and Nominating Committee, and former
Camp CEO participant. Natalie is a Lifetime Girl Scout Member, the mom of a Girl Scout, and has held many volunteer positions in her daughter’s troop.

Janet Osborn
Washington, DC

**Managing Director and East Region Leader**
**Aon Corporation** (New England, Mid Atlantic and Carolinas)

Janet leads a team of over 1,000 professionals to deliver exceptional advice, service and outcomes to Aon’s Risk, Retirement and Health Consulting clients through 12 offices in the East Region. Janet joined Aon (then Hewitt Associates) in 1999 after 10 years at Sallie Mae, where she held progressively larger roles in the firm’s higher education finance group, including leading the development of Sallie Mae’s first student loan origination vehicle and managing a team of 10 account leaders to secure over $1 billion in annual student loan volume.

Janet is active in the local business and non-profit communities. She is a member of the Economic Club of Washington, Vice President of the William & Mary Alumni Association, President of the Trustees of the Funds (endowment management oversight for the Episcopal Diocese of Virginia), and a board member for Junior Achievement of Washington, the Northern Virginia Chamber of Commerce, and the Wolf Trap Foundation. In addition, she serves on the William & Mary Management Consulting Advisory Board and is a member of the Washington CFA Society. Janet was a Girl Scout growing up and sold the most cookies in her troop, she has a vintage bracelet to prove it. Janet has been a member of Girl Scouts Nation’s Capital Board of Directors since 2021. She is a member of the Governance Advisory Committee, Grievance Committee, and was delighted to attend her first Camp CEO last Fall!
Chandra Graham Parker
Upper Marlboro, MD

Obstetrician Gynecologist
Mid-Atlantic Permanente Group, Inc.

Dr. Chandra Graham Parker is an obstetrician-gynecologist with the Mid-Atlantic Permanente Medical Group and sees patients at the Kaiser Permanente in Largo Medical Center. Prior to joining the Mid-Atlantic Permanente Medical Group in 2016, she was in private practice for nearly a decade and affiliated with hospitals throughout Anne Arundel, Montgomery, and Prince George’s counties. After graduating from the University of Virginia School of Medicine in 1999, she completed her residency at Sinai Hospital in Baltimore, Maryland, and joined the OB/GYN faculty at the University of Maryland School of Medicine in 2003. She is active in her church and community where she has been a Girl Scout Troop leader for the past three years, judges annual school science fairs, hosts Science on Sunday projects, and organizes community food and clothing drives.

Jeri K. Somers
Washington, DC

Mediator and Arbitrator
The McCammon Group - Alternate Dispute Resolution (ADR)

In her role at The McCammon Group as an ADR neutral, the Honorable Jeri K. Somers mediates and/or arbitrates government contracts matters, construction matters, and other industry disputes. She is also a partner with the Potomac Law Group, PLLC, a new model law firm, where she provides legal guidance in government contracts, construction, and other specialties, in addition to providing expert consultation and testimony in the area of federal government contracts.

Prior to retiring from the CBCA in 2021, Judge Somers presided over high-stakes trials with millions of dollars at stake and issued decisions in cases arising under the Contract Disputes Act, and other unique statutory schemes. As chair, she was also responsible for the management of the CBCA, which has worldwide jurisdiction, and its budget. Judge Somers is widely known and respected in the government contracts community. Before her appointment as chair of the CBCA, she served as vice chair from 2008 until 2017. Prior to the creation of the CBCA in 2007, Judge Somers served as an administrative judge on the Department of Transportation Board of Contract Appeals.
Judge Somers’ impressive record across her 35 years in legal practice began when she served in the US Air Force as a lawyer in the Judge Advocate General Corps. While on active duty, Judge Somers provided legal advice on international law of war issues, served as a prosecutor and defense counsel, and ultimately litigated cases before the Armed Services Board of Contract Appeals. After transitioning to the Reserves, Judge Somers served in the US Department of Justice (DOJ)’s Commercial Litigation Branch, where she litigated on behalf of the US in the Court of Federal Claims and in appeals before the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, including some of the most high-profile government contracts cases of the era. She then spent six years as an AUSA in the Eastern District of Virginia (Alexandria division), litigating all manner of disputes, including one of the last “Scanwell” bid protest cases in US District Court. She also worked as a lawyer in private practice before her appointment to the DOT Board in 2003. Meanwhile, Judge Somers served for many years as the Staff Judge Advocate for the DC Air National Guard and provided critical guidance to the Commanding General during the attacks of September 11, 2001. Prior to retiring in 2008, with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel, Judge Somers served as a military judge in the USAF Reserves.

She has been a professorial lecturer in law at the George Washington University Law School since 2009, where she also serves on the school’s Government Contracts Advisory Board, and as an adjunct professor at the American University Washington College of Law since 2018. She is actively involved in the American Bar Association’s Public Contract Law Section. Judge Somers is member of Girl Scouts Nation’s Capital Nominating Committee and a member of the Women’s Advisory Board. She is also a Gold Award Girl Scout.

Brigitta S. Toruño
Ashburn, VA

Founder/CEO
UNO Translations and Communications, LLC

Brigitta’s love of her native language, Spanish, fueled her desire to work with languages and launch UNO Translations and Communications, LLC (UNO) in 1998. UNO considers itself a linguistic partner to companies, not only offering translation services in more than 200 languages, but also consulting with companies in international cultural business issues. Her personal experience seeing her parents struggle in learning another language and culture gives Brigitta a true passion for her work and has formed the basis for her company’s philosophy and mission.

Brigitta, a bilingual native of the Washington, DC area, was born in Bethesda, Maryland, and grew up in Alexandria, Virginia. The daughter of an Argentine father and Ecuadorian mother, her native language is Spanish. She received her Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration from Averett College and successfully completed the Minority Business Executive Program from Dartmouth’s Tuck School of Business and University of Virginia’s Darden School of Business. In 2020, Brigitta was appointed by the Office of the Governor to the Virginia Council on Women. She is honored to serve as the Chair of the Loudoun Literacy Council, and a board member for 100 Women Strong. She is a past board member of the George Mason University Women in Business
Initiative; Devotion to Children, a Northern Virginia-based organization dedicated to providing services to needy children under the age of six; Mobile Hope, a Loudoun County-based organization assisting at-risk youth; Loudoun Hunger Relief, a Loudoun County-based food pantry; and Leadership Loudoun.

In 2019, Brigitta was awarded the Enterprising Woman of the Year as well as the Top 100 MBE award from the Capital Region Minority Supplier Development Council (CRMSDC). For the past four years, Brigitta has been named to Loudoun Business Journal’s Top 100 Women Who Mean Business. Brigitta is a member of the American Translator’s Association (ATA) and the Loudoun County Chamber of Commerce.

**Two-year Unexpired Term**
*(October 1, 2022 – September 30, 2024)*

**Morlon Bell-Izzard**
Washington, DC

*Senior VP of Customer Operations & Chief Customer Officer*

**Pepco Holdings**

Morlon Bell-Izzard provides overall leadership responsibilities for Pepco Holdings’ customer strategic governance and planning. She also oversees financial planning, process and technology initiatives, and customer experience where she is responsible for customer research, data analytics and ensuring the voice of the customer is incorporated into all programs.

Morlon joined Pepco Holdings in 2019 from parent company Exelon, where she was responsible for the integration of customer systems and processes for Exelon’s six energy utilities and led efforts to identify and implement customer experience best practices. Prior to that, she spent 22 years with BGE in various leadership roles, including director of Customer Care, director of Business Transformation, manager of Customer Projects and Systems Support, director of Customer Relations Initiatives, and supervisor of Applications Development.

Morlon is actively involved in the local nonprofit community and currently serves on the Women’s Advisory Board of Girl Scouts Nation’s Capital and the board of directors of the Better Business Bureau of Metropolitan Washington, DC and Eastern Pennsylvania. She is also a graduate of Leadership Baltimore County.

She earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Commerce with a concentration in Accounting from the University of Virginia and obtained executive certification in Transformational Leadership from The Darden School of Business. She is also a certified public accountant.
Anne Scott
Rockville, MD

Deputy General Counsel
Covington & Burling, LLP

Anne Scott provides in-house legal advice to Covington’s lawyers, management and staff across the globe. She is supported by a dedicated team of attorneys and staff in the U.S. and U.K., specializing in the areas of professional conduct and anti-money-laundering compliance. In recognition of her contributions in this area, she was appointed to the D.C. Bar Rules Review Committee responsible for clarifying and amending the professional conduct rules for lawyers. She graduated with a B.A. magna cum laude from the University of Pennsylvania and a J.D cum laude from the University of Michigan Law School.

Anne has been proud to volunteer for many years with the Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights’ Election Protection Project and with the PA Democratic party on electoral access and voting integrity issues. She is a Girl Scout alumna and former member and chair of Girl Scouts Nation’s Capital Nominating Committee. Anne has held various other volunteer positions in Girl Scouts including as a three-time National Delegate, but she is most proud of the Outstanding Leader Award she won during the priceless time she spent as the leader of her daughter’s troop.

One-year Term for Teen Girls
(October 1, 2022 – September 30, 2023)

Zara Javeri
Vienna, VA

Student
James Madison High School

Zara is a Girl Scout Senior in Troop 2013 and has been a Girl Scout member for nine years. Zara has earned the Girl Scout Bronze, Silver, and Silver Trefoil Awards and is working on earning the Gold Award. In 2021, she was as a service unit alternate delegate for the Annual Meeting, and a Girl Scout Camp Counselor, where she collaborated with peers to lead activities in arts and crafts, archery, and cooking.

Zara has held several volunteer positions in her service unit and troop in 2021 including the girl lead on fall product sales, where she communicated sales details, ensured orders were entered online and distributed products to troop members; and Treasurer, where she was responsible for 22 individual accounts and
reporting of financial information. She is also a member of the Cookie Rally and World Thinking Day planning committees.

Being a child of an immigrant parent, Zara is especially passionate about having children from all economic and ethnic backgrounds join Girl Scouts.

Ella is a Girl Scout Senior and has been a Girl Scout member for nine years. Ella completed the Silver and Bronze Awards, and she is working toward completing the Gold and Silver Trefoil Awards. Ella recently completed an internship at the Virginia State Capitol in the House of Delegates Page Program, working with the Delegates, Legislative Committees, and Clerk’s Office to assist with the daily operations of the 162nd Virginia General Assembly.

She has held several volunteer positions and participated in activities in her community, including volunteering for various community engagement events and site enhancement projects with the Armed Forces Retirement Home, Washington, DC, 2013-present; serving as Statewide Vice President, American Legion Junior Auxiliary of Virginia, engaging with senior Auxiliary leadership to develop programs to engage youth in assisting veterans and their families across the state, 2021-present; serving as the Lake Braddock Principal’s Cabinet Committee Co-Chair for Health, Safety and Security, as a liaison between students and the administration on policy initiatives, 2021-present; and volunteering to encourage voter turnout initiatives for national, state, and local elections with Get Out the Vote non-partisan voter mobilization drives, 2018-present. Ella competes as a member of the Lake Braddock Forensics Team and in the Odyssey of the Mind creative problem-solving competition, reaching the World Finals multiple times.

She is the co-founder and owner of Ridgway Environmental Services, an outdoor and invasive species management company since 2017, and serves as an academic tutor for elementary and middle school students, 2019-present.
Mary Brady
Washington, DC

President and CEO
The Economic Club of Washington DC

Mary leads The Economic Club of Washington, DC, a premier forum for speakers, with a membership roster of senior executives representing over 970 businesses with offices in the Washington Metropolitan region and beyond. Since its founding in 1986 as a nonprofit organization, the Club has served as a global interface for the world’s government and international business luminaries who share insights about the critical issues of the day. During the pandemic, Mary transitioned the Club to a hybrid model that includes both in person and virtual programming. The programs were further enhanced by creating a new emerging leader membership category that engages young, diverse talent to participate in Club activities.

Mary is responsible for focusing the Club on the most pressing and significant issues around the world in business and finance, economic issues, racial equity and justice, national security, and the technology revolution. The impact of speaking at the Club is amplified by the global media coverage that results from an appearance. The Club builds a diverse membership represented by top level executives of major corporations, heads of the largest business and trade organizations in the U.S., managing partners of professional services firms, former members of congress, presidents of universities, to ensure a peer-to-peer networking environment. Since 2008, Mary has been responsible for directing the Club’s scholarship and internship program ensuring a pipeline of diverse talent from this region and generating pathways to successful family sustaining careers. The program distributes $1m in awards each year to 55 college bound students who graduate from DC Public and Charter High Schools. Mary was named a Washingtonian Most Powerful Women in Business for the past three years in a row and received the Women Who Mean Business Award in 2014. She is a judge for the EY Entrepreneur of the Year Award, a member of the board of Trustees of The Women’s Foreign Policy Group and ConnectedDMV. She is an advisor to Columbia Lighthouse for the Blind and Easterseals.

Mary is a member of Girl Scouts Nation’s Capital Board of Directors (2016-2022), Major Gifts Society, and Women’s Advisory Board. She is also a former member of the Outdoor Program Advisory Committee. She is a Lifetime Girl Scout Member, and a mentor to girls through Camp CEO.
Karen Penn  
Arlington, VA  

*DEI and Elastic Cares*
  
*Elastic*

As the Head of DEI at Elastic, a distributed company that powers search solutions, Karen is able to make lasting changes supported by an internal culture of openness, growth, and a commitment to inclusion. With employees in 40 countries and with 100-plus different nationalities, building a DEI approach that scales globally has been an exciting challenge for Karen. Prior to her employment with Elastic, she was head of HR for Endgame.

Karen started her career working for the Office of Civil Rights within the U.S. Department of Justice, where she was responsible for ensuring that grant recipients had equal opportunity plans in place and weren’t being discriminatory. After spending four years at the Department of Justice, Karen has held several positions in HR and diversity throughout her career, where she’s been able to leverage her legal background to dabble in various niche areas like corporate responsibility, equal employment opportunity and affirmative action, ethics and compliance, as well as the do-everything generalist responsibilities that come along with heading up HR in the tech startup environment.

Karen is the co-chair of Girl Scouts Nation’s Capital Women’s Advisory Board and a mentor to girls through Camp CEO. She is also a former member and officer of the Board of Directors. Karen is a Lifetime Girl Scout member.

Mary Gabrielle (Gay) Sprague  
Washington, DC  

*Appellate Attorney, Environment and Natural Resources Division*
  
*US Department of Justice*

Mary Gay is a super Girl Scout, who has worn many volunteer hats over the years. In addition, Mary Gay has partnered with Girl Scouts to invest in girls since 2002. She has been giving at the $5,000 major gifts level since 2011 and was one of the first people to make a multi-year major gifts commitment in 2012. She has continued to increase her giving.

Mary is a member of Girl Scouts Nation’s Capital Board of Directors (2016-2022), Major Gifts Society, and Women’s Advisory Board, Gold Award Scholarship Panel, DEI Ad Hoc Task Force, and a Camp CEO participant. She is also a former member of the Bylaws Ad Hoc Committee. She was a dedicated troop leader and service unit manager and is the proud parent of a Gold Award Girl Scout.
Scout, who is now a member of our staff. She is also a recipient of the Officers’ Award for her philanthropic endeavors and a Lifetime Girl Scout Member.

NOMINEES FOR NATIONAL DELEGATE TO NATIONAL COUNCIL OF GSUSA
(Three-year Term - to begin immediately upon election)

Michele Ballard
Harpers Ferry, WV

April Carter-Chau
Fairfax, VA

Adrianne Cook
Brambleton, VA

Gabrielle Coote (G)
Herndon, VA

Kathleen Coulter
Hamilton, VA

Laura Essex
California, MD

Marjorie Fellows
Bristow, VA

Krista Ferguson
Goldvein, VA

Elizabeth Filkins
Frederick, MD

Grace Franklin (G)
Haymarket, VA

Christine Gettings
Alexandria, VA

Cheryl Gooding
Washington, DC
Also included in the slate of nominees are seven National Delegate positions for the incoming team of the Officers of the Council who will be duly elected at the Annual Meeting in 2023.
NOMINEES FOR NATIONAL ALTERNATE DELEGATE TO NATIONAL COUNCIL OF GSUSA
(Three-year Term - to begin immediately upon election)

Kathleen Althoff
Vienna, VA

Colleen Cibula
Council COO

Kathy Duda
Fairfax, VA

Cindy Gilman
North Potomac, MD

Patty Green
Keymar, MD

Margie Hackett
Bethesda, MD

Reece Hart (G)
Indian Head, MD

Pam Hosimer
Damascus, MD

Zara Javeri (G)
Vienna, VA

Sam Jurado (G)
Ashton, MD

Sarah (Sally) LaBonte
Arlington, VA

Mary Martin
Washington, DC

Serena Moss (G)
Alexandria VA

Ella Ridgway (G)
Fairfax Station, VA

LaVerne Scott
Ft. Washington, MD

C. Jean Turner
Ijamsville, MD
Seneca Yarmus (G)
Middleton, MD

ONGOING OFFICERS, BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Barbara J. Krumsiek
Washington, DC

Independent Director
MISO Energy

Barbara’s professional background spans four decades in the asset management field, including former president, CEO and chair of Calvert Investments Inc., a $14 billion asset management firm. Barbara led Calvert through a period of significant growth, tripling the firm’s assets under management.

An experienced corporate and non-profit Director, Barbara serves on the board of MISO Energy, Carmel Indiana, where she chairs MISO’s Audit & Finance Committee. She is on the Board of Arabesque Asset Management, London, and on the Investment Committees of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and the Robert I. Schattner Foundation. In 2015 Barbara was named senior industry fellow at Georgetown University’s Women’s Leadership Institute in the McDonough School of Business. Her prior board service includes serving as independent director on the board of Pepco Holdings Inc. She also served on the board of Calvert Mutual Funds and the Calvert Foundation, and as the chair of the board of Acacia Mutual Life Insurance Company. She is past chair of the Greater Washington Board of Trade and past chair of the board of the Meyer Foundation.

Barbara was awarded the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Mutual Fund Industry Awards. She received Columbia University Business School’s Botwinick Prize in Business Ethics and is a Washington Business Hall of Fame Laureate. She was named in Ethisphere’s list of the 100 Most Influential in Business Ethics.
Graduating Phi Beta Kappa with University Honors and Honors in mathematics from Douglass College at Rutgers University, Krumsiek holds a Master of Science in mathematics from New York University’s Courant Institute of Mathematical Sciences. Barbara and her husband, Bart Leonard, reside in Washington, D.C. They have two daughters.

Barbara grew up as a devoted Girl Scout in Queen, New York. She was quoted in a profile in the *New York Times*. When asked to describe her formative leadership experiences, she stated: “I have to credit the Girl Scouts. It was a huge part of my life growing up in Queens. It was an opportunity to learn selling through Girl Scout cookies. I always vied for the top selling awards. I remember having a troop leader have confidence in me that I could go off and lead a group of girls to start the campfire or whatever.” Barbara is the President of the Board of Girl Scouts Nation’s Capital. She is former First Vice President of the Board and served as a National Delegate for the 2020 National Council Session of GSUSA. She is also a former member of the National Board of Directors for Girl Scouts of the USA.

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**Kathleen Matthews**  
Chevy Chase, MD

*Former Communications & Public Affairs Executive*  
*Marriott International*

Kathleen is a former local news anchor, executive officer, and chairwoman of Maryland’s Democratic Party. Born in the San Francisco Bay area, Matthews graduated from Stanford University in 1975 before moving to the DC area where she joined WJLA-TV as a production assistant. She worked her way up to the level of producer, and soon she was on camera, first as a reporter, and later as an anchor for the 5, 6, and 11 p.m. broadcasts. She also hosted the shows *Working Women* and *Capital Sunday* towards the end of her news career.

After working at WJLA for 25 years, Kathleen retired to pursue public relations. She took a job as the Chief Communications and Public Affairs Officer for Marriott International in 2006, where she worked until 2015.

Kathleen then decided to run for office, and she entered the race to be Maryland’s 8th Congressional District Representative to Congress. Though she did not win, this gave her the opportunity to join Maryland’s Democratic Party, where she would become chair in 2017, first as interim before being elected to the position formally. She held this position until December of 2018.

After a long career in different fields, Kathleen has accumulated several accolades, including 9 local Emmys, an Edward R. Murrow award, an Associated Press award, a George Foster Peabody, a Scrips-Howard, an Ohio State and Gracie Allen awards. She has also sat on several organization boards, including the Catholic Charities of Washington, DC and Maryland, the Black Student Fund, Suited for Change, and former President Barack Obama’s Travel and Tourism Advisory Board as Vice Chair.
Kathleen grew up in California and was a Girl Scout and a Camp counselor though her teen years. She is the First Vice President of Girl Scouts Nation’s Capital Board of Directors and co-chair of the Major Gifts Committee. She served as Alternate National Delegate for the 2020 National Council Session of GSUSA and has been a participant at Camp CEO. She is also a recipient of the Officers’ Award.

Antoinette Barksdale  
Washington, DC  

*General Counsel*  
**United States Department of Justice**

Currently, Antoinette serves as the General Counsel at the United States Department of Justice (DOJ) in the Community Relations Service (CRS), and an Adjunct Professor at Howard University in Washington, D.C. where she teaches Technical Writing Pre-law. Antoinette has successfully handled complex civil rights cases for the DOJ for more than 18 years and for over 25 years for the federal government. As General Counsel, she is responsible for all aspects of legal and high-level programmatic matters at CRS.

Prior to becoming General Counsel at CRS, she was a senior trial attorney at DOJ in the Civil Rights Division’s (CRT) Employment Litigation Section (ELS). In addition, she was the Senior Advisor to the General Counsel at the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC); an Attorney Advisor in the White House Counsel’s office under President Bill Clinton; and a Trial Attorney with the Department of Housing and Urban (HUD). Antoinette is an extraordinary advocate and litigator.

Antoinette currently serves on the Board of the Women Lawyers’ Division of the National Bar Association (NBA); Community Service Chair, Nation’s Capital Chapter of Jack and Jill of America, Inc.; and Board Member of the Washington Bar Association Educational Foundation. Additionally, Antoinette served as the Chair of the Scholarship Committee for more than six years for the Washington Bar Association. She also served as the Chair of Awards and Scholarship for the NBA and the Women Lawyers’ Division. She has received numerous awards, including Outstanding Woman Lawyer in Public Service; Chair’s Award for Outstanding Service to the Women Lawyers’ Division; and the President’s Award for Exemplary Service to the NBA. Antoinette has served on numerous boards for the District of Columbia. She was appointed by former Mayor Marion Barry to the Board of Appeals and Review for two terms and was later appointed by former Mayor Adrian Fenty as a Commissioner on the Small and Local Business Development Commission.

Antoinette is a graduate of the University of Arkansas School of Law, Howard University, and Indiana University in Pennsylvania. She is a long-time resident of the District of Columbia and has been intimately involved in public and community service in the District for more than 25 years. She brings both exceptional legal skills coupled with a strong dedication and passion to civic engagement and public service to the residents of the District of Columbia. She resides in Ward One and is the proud mother of Blaire Elizabeth (a Girl Scout) and wife to Kleber.
Antoinette is the Second Vice President of Girl Scouts Nation’s Capital Board of Directors and a member of the DEI Ad Hoc Task Force. She served as a National Delegate for the 2020 National Council Session of GSUSA and has held other volunteer roles such as member and Chair of the Nominating Committee, member of the Gold Award Panel. She is an active Girl Scout volunteer at Peoples Congregational Church, mother of a Girl Scout, and a Lifetime Member.

Natalie Lorenz-Anderson
Great Falls, VA

Vice President Special Programs
247Solar Inc.

Natalie is a Cybersecurity, Privacy, Risk Management and IT business executive, having served as a Senior VP and Partner at Booz Allen Hamilton for almost 15 years, following nearly 20 years of technical and solutions management using deep subject matter and technology expertise. She has a proven track record of capturing large competitive contracts, building successful thriving businesses, hiring and mentoring strong leaders and executives, developing high performing multi-disciplinary teams, building strong and lasting client relationships, and delivering financial, technology and strategy value to her clients.

She has been a member of AFCEA since 1985 and has served in many roles at the Chapter and Headquarters level, including Chair of the AFCEA International Board of Directors. She is passionate about encouraging girls/women and under-served minorities to choose and thrive in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) education and careers through her work with multiple non-profit organizations including AFCEA’s Educational Foundation as a Board Member, Society of Women Engineers, Thomas Jefferson High School’s Partnership Fund (TJPF) and the Northern Virginia Business Women’s Giving Circle.

She currently serves as the K12 STEM outreach Chair for TJPF’s Board of Directors and is an active member of the Johns Hopkins University’s 2nd Commission for Undergraduate Education as well as a member of the Society of Women Engineers’ annual conference committee.

Natalie earned bachelor’s degree from MIT and master’s degree in Electrical Engineering from Johns Hopkins University. She is a Gold Award Girl Scout, a Life Member, and a member of the Juliette Gordon Low Legacy Society, and was active in Girl Scouting in several councils in Northern California and Hawaii throughout her childhood.

Natalie is a Lifetime Girl Scout member and the Third Vice President of Girl Scouts Nation’s Capital Board of Directors. She is a member of the Major Gifts and Golf Classic Committees. She served as a National Delegate for the 2020 National Council Session of GSUSA, is a former member of the STEM Advisory Group and Strategic Planning Ad Hoc Committee.
Wendy White  
Chevy Chase, MD  

Of Counsel and Chair of the DC Real Estate Transactions Group  
Goulston & Storrs  

Wendy is Chair of the firm’s D.C. Real Estate transactional group. She concentrates her practice in development, joint ventures, acquisitions, dispositions and financings of commercial properties in the DC metropolitan region as well as nationally. Her practice includes transactions involving office, hotel, retail, multi-family and mixed-use properties. She has experience in all kinds of financings, including construction, term, and mezzanine loans, secured and unsecured lines of credit, and ground leases. Her clients include listed real estate investment trusts, public and private local, national and international companies with investments in the US, and nonprofits. Prior to joining Goulston & Storrs, she practiced law at Shaw Pittman Potts & Trowbridge, later Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman, where she sat on the managing board of the firm.

Wendy sits on the Boards of Directors of Chevy Chase Trust Company (a private trust company with over $30 billion of assets under management). She also sits on the DC Steering Committee of 2020 Women on Boards and the Women’s Leadership Initiative (WLI) of ULI Washington. She served as the General Counsel of The Economic Club of Washington, D.C., for 10 years, ending in 2018, and currently serves on its Board. She is a past President of Commercial Real Estate Women (CREW) of Washington, D.C., and a past officer and board member of the International Women’s Forum (Washington, D.C. chapter). Wendy also served on the Board of Directors of MedStar Georgetown University Hospital for nine years, ending in 2019, and on the Board of Trustees of Washington Real Estate Investment Trust, the oldest public REIT in the country, for eight years, ending in 2016, and chaired the Corporate Governance/Nominating Committee for six years.

Wendy received her B.A. from Sweet Briar College, her M.F.A. from University of California at Irvine, and her J.D. from University of Miami School of Law. Wendy is married to a retired NASA satellite electronics engineer and freelance photojournalist and has adult twin daughters. She grew up as a dedicated Girl Scout in Miami, FL, with five brothers.

Wendy is a Lifetime Girl Scout member, Secretary of Girl Scouts Nation’s Capital Board of Directors, member of the Governance Advisory Committee, and member of the Major Gifts Society. She served as a National Delegate for the 2020 National Council Session of GSUSA, former co-chair of the Bylaws Revision Ad Hoc Committee, and former chair of the Property Advisory Committee.
María Rodríguez
Arlington, VA

President and CEO
Vanguard Communications

María leads a talented staff of diverse individuals at Vanguard Communications — the PR agency she co-founded with a business partner at age 27 — to advance social change and champion causes to help protect the health and well-being of our planet and its people.

As the daughter of Spanish immigrants, María learned the importance of education and hard work early in life. Finding her true “calling” as a PR practitioner, she has been honing her skills at social marketing, media relations, multicultural/multiethnic outreach and event production for the last three decades. At the time of its inception in 1987, Vanguard was one of only a few agencies in Washington, D.C., working exclusively on social issues led by nonprofit or government agencies. With a keen eye on cultural and linguistic competence and the needs of underserved populations, María and her colleagues carved out a unique market space for Vanguard to thrive.

María and her team have helped Willie Nelson raise awareness about the critical role of the family farmer in caring for our health, economy and environment by promoting the annual Farm Aid concert. She promoted Earth Day 1990, leading to the establishment of national recycling programs across the country. She has implemented communication strategies to reduce infant mortality, prevent substance abuse and rally communities to address underage drinking.

María also has brought attention to the mental health needs of children and helped educate minority women about the risk of heart disease. She demonstrated her commitment to mentoring young PR professionals through the Comunicadores for the Future, a joint program she conceptualized in partnership with The George Washington University’s Cisneros Hispanic Leadership Institute to expand diversity in the communications field. María has built a distinguished roster of longstanding clients in the areas of public health, behavioral health, diversity and inclusion, education and the environment. And all the while, staying true to the company’s mission of helping nonprofits, government agencies and foundations lift up the communities they serve. María received her bachelor’s degree in Business Administration from The George Washington University.

María is the Treasurer of Girl Scouts Nation’s Capital Board of Directors and a member of the Governance Advisory and Investment Committees. She served as a National Delegate for the 2020 National Council Session of GSUSA and is a Lifetime Girl Scout member.
Jenny Herrera  
Fairfax, VA  

**Partner**  
*Not for Profit Advisory Industry Leader*  
*Citrin Cooperman*

Jenny is a partner in Citrin Cooperman’s D.C. Metro office, with over 30 years of public accounting experience. She is responsible for the auditing and accounting services, inclusive of a broad range of consulting and management advisory services of not-for-profit clients, specifically those with grant funding and global operations. Jenny’s expertise includes extensive involvement with financial statement audits, internal and operational controls, management structure, business processes and procedures, unrelated business income tax, and compliance with government regulations under the OMB Uniform Grant Guidance. She facilitated the restructuring of clients' accounting departments, software conversions, design and implementation of new policies, and has served as an interim and permanent CFO for various outsource accounting engagements. Jenny began her career by working for an international public accounting firm. Prior to joining Citrin Cooperman, Jenny was a shareholder at a Washington D.C. based accounting firm.

Jenny is an active member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA), serving as an Inclusion Champion on the AICPA National Commission on Diversity and Inclusion Committee. She is a past President of the Greater Washington Society of Certified Public Accountants (GWSCPA). Her community involvement includes serving on the Board of Trustees, the Executive Committee of the George Mason University Foundation where she Chairs the Audit Committee. Formerly, she served on the Board of the Northern Chapter of the Virginia Society of CPAs and Chaired the George Mason University Accounting Advisory Council. Jenny is a frequent speaker and presenter on issues and concerns facing not-for-profit organizations.

In 2019, Jenny received the George Mason University Business School Alumna of the Year Award and was inducted by George Mason University as an honorary member of the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society. She is also the recipient of the AICPA/GWSCPA 2019 Women to Watch Experience Leader Award, and the 2018 George Mason University School of Business Service Award.

Jenny earned her Bachelor of Science in Accounting from George Mason University. She is a Certified Public Accountant in the State of Virginia and a Chartered Global Management Accountant (CGMA).

Jenny is the Assistant Treasurer of Girl Scouts Nation’s Capital Board of Directors and is a member of the Governance and Audit Advisory Committees. She served as a National Delegate for the 2020 National Council Session of GSUSA and is a Lifetime Girl Scout member.
ONGOING MEMBERS-AT-LARGE, BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Sherry F. Bellamy
Takoma Park, MD

Consultant

Sherry helps clients navigate the regulatory landscape and conduct internal investigations. She has particularly deep experience in the telecommunications and energy industries.

Sherry retired in 2009 as vice president and deputy general counsel for Verizon Business, where she oversaw litigation and regulatory matters for Verizon’s enterprise and government sales division. At Verizon Communications, she served in a variety of roles with increasing responsibility, including president and chief executive officer of Verizon’s Maryland subsidiary, a role in which she represented the company’s interests in both regulatory and legislative matters as the company evolved from a monopoly telephone company into a competitive telecom provider.

Sherry has extensive experience with philanthropic board service, presently serving as a member of the Dean’s Council for Johns Hopkins Medicine following 20 years’ service as a trustee. She was also a member of the JHHS Audit, Compliance and Insurance Committee, the Patient Safety and Quality Committee, and the External Affairs Committee at Johns Hopkins Medicine. Her prior board service includes serving as chair of the board of directors of the Atlas Performing Arts Center in D.C., a director and Executive Committee member of the Maryland Economic Development Commission, the Greater Baltimore Committee, the Economic Alliance of Greater Baltimore, and the Maryland Chamber of Commerce. She also served on the board of managers of Swarthmore College, her alma mater. Sherry received her B.A. from Swarthmore College and her J.D. from Yale University.

She has been a member of Girl Scouts Nation’s Capital Board of Directors since 2017 and is a member of the Grievance Committee, and former member of the Bylaws Revision Ad Hoc Committee.
Kathleen Carl  
Arlington, VA  

VP Chief Accounting Officer  
Nestlé USA  

As Chief Accounting Officer for Nestlé USA, Kathleen has united a team of finance and accounting professionals to serve the US Nestlé operating companies and help them deliver on their strong growth agenda across a portfolio of esteemed consumer brands such as Stouffer’s, DiGiorno Pizza, Nestlé Tollhouse Morsels, Purina, Perrier and Gerber. Kathleen and her teams ensure businesses can operate with speed and agility while maintaining strong guardrails to ensure they are providing rock solid financial information, managing risk and ensuring their assets and control frameworks are sound. She is responsible for the operations of Treasury, Risk Management, Retirement Assets, Internal Controls, Credit and Collections, Accounting Operations and Financial Reporting. With over 25 years of experience in fast moving consumer goods at Nestlé both in the USA and the Worldwide Headquarters in Switzerland, her experience is deep across the Finance and Control Function as well as Information Technology Management.

Kathleen is a strong believer in the power of a collaborative team that works to bring positive solutions to Nestlé businesses as partners across the Finance and Control organization. Developing talent and leaders is achieved through coaching and mentoring, varied experiences throughout the organization, inspiring others through her own actions to drive the businesses forward. Kathleen is passionate about enabling women to excel in leadership positions throughout Nestlé, and strongly believes young talent has increasing opportunities to build on the momentum of women leaders who have proceeded them, evolving the landscape to bring further gender balance to the workplace.

Kathleen began her Girl Scouting experience as a Brownie and bridged to a Junior Scout working her way up to a Senior Scout in her hometown of Los Angeles California. She earned the Silver award and was an active leader in Troop 248. She attended summer camp at the legendary Camp Lakota where she rose to camp counselor leading the junior Scouts. Through her Girl Scout experience, Kathleen honed her many skills; building teams, achieving individual challenges, leadership and listening, all while embracing her love for the outdoors and creating positive relationships that have lasted a lifetime.

Kathleen has been a member of Girl Scouts Nation's Capital Board of Directors since 2020. She is co-chair of the DEI Ad Hoc Task Force, a member of the Investment, Major Gifts, and Golf Classic committees.
Nicole (“Nikki”) Clifton  
Falls Church, VA  

*President, Social Impact and The UPS Foundation*  
*UPS*

Nikki leads UPS’s global philanthropy, social impact and community affairs efforts as part of the new Corporate Affairs, Communications and Sustainability team. She oversees the company’s efforts to respond to the world’s most pressing social, humanitarian and environmental needs.

Nikki has been instrumental in UPS’s response to human rights and social justice issues, including spearheading and coordinating UPS’s anti-human trafficking awareness engagement, in conjunction with Truckers Against Trafficking and United Way Worldwide. Her [Ted Talk](#), “3 Ways Businesses Can Fight Sex Trafficking” has earned more than 1.5 million views. Additionally, she leads the UPS Equity, Justice & Action Task Force, a cross-functional leadership team working to dismantle systemic racism through strategic internal and external engagement.

Most recently, Nikki served as Vice President, Global Public Affairs, and led UPS’s workforce policy, legislative advocacy and external affairs engagement with members of congress and the states’ attorneys general. Nikki began her UPS career as Labor & Employment Counsel, advising and counseling on workforce issues in business units around the country. Prior to government affairs, Nikki served as Labor & Employment Counsel for UPS in Atlanta, Georgia. Before UPS, Nikki worked for Delta Air Lines and practiced labor and employment law with Alston & Bird LLP and Smith, Currie and Hancock, in Atlanta, Georgia.

Nikki earned her bachelor’s degree *magna cum laude* in communications from Howard University’s Annenberg Honors Program and her J.D. from the University of Georgia School of Law. She is a member of the Georgia Bar and is admitted to practice before the United States Supreme Court. Nikki and her husband have four children and reside in Falls Church, Virginia.

Nikki has been a member of Girl Scouts Nation's Capital Board of Directors since 2021. She is a member of DEI Ad Hoc Task Force a proud Girl Scout mom to daughter, Olivia.
Nishita Henry  
Alexandria, VA  

**Principal, US Consulting Chief Innovation Officer**  
**Deloitte Consulting LLP**

In this role Nishita drives the firm’s innovation agenda by working with cutting-edge technologies, engaging the startup community, and driving the transformation of next generation technologies into practical solutions for Deloitte’s clients. Previously, Nishita served as Deloitte’s Federal Technology Leader, responsible for providing advisory, implementation, and operations services to every cabinet-level agency in the US government. In that role she led more than 3,000 practitioners as they assisted Federal agencies in transforming into more efficient, effective organizations. Nishita regularly advised Federal CIO’s and technology leaders on topics of modernization and innovation, digitizing government, cloud strategy, and customer experience.

Nishita is a Lifetime Girl Scout member and has been a member of Girl Scouts Nation’s Capital Board of Directors since 2018. She is a member of the Major Gifts Society, and the Investment and Grievance committees. She is also a former member of the Strategic Planning Ad Hoc Committee, STEM Advisory Group, former cookie mom and mother of a Girl Scout.

Rory Maynard  
Herndon, VA  

**Director of Legislative Affairs for Space and Missile Defense Programs**  
**Lockheed Martin**

In 2004, Rory began his position with Lockheed Martin as Director, Legislative Affairs for Space and missile Defense Programs. Prior to this assignment, Rory spent three years as the Deputy Director of Legislative Liaison at the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO). He supported all NRO programs by working with the Appropriations and Authorizations Committees through hearing preparation, Questions for the Record, Congressionally Directed actions, budget appeals, and Congressional member and staff visits. He worked extensively with the Legislative Liaison staffs of the Military Services, the Secretary of Defense, and the Intelligence Community.

Rory is from the Midwest, born and raised in Hampshire, IL. He graduated from Hampshire High School and the United States Air Force Academy, where he received a Bachelor of Science Degree and his commission as a second lieutenant.
Throughout his military career, Rory received many awards and recognition including several from the NRO. Along with his degree from the Academy, Rory has a master’s degree in Management and Administration from Central Michigan University, is a graduate of the Air War College and the Air Command and Staff College and has been awarded Level II certification in Program Management.

Rory has been a member of Girl Scouts Nation’s Capital Board of Directors since 2018. He is a member of the Major Gifts and Golf Classic committees, and the father of a Gold Award Girl Scout. He is also a Boy Scout Life to Eagle Coordinator.

Jodi Morton
Ashburn, VA

Managing Director and Chief Data Officer
KPMG

As Chief Data Officer, Jodi drives the firm’s data strategy and operations to build a state-of-the-art data supply chain, and the related governance, standards and processes. Prior to joining KPMG, Jodi worked at Freddie Mac for 15 years, most recently as Vice President and Chief Data Officer for the Single-Family Business. Jodi is also an alumnus of PwC.

Jodi is a CPA. She earned a master’s degree in finance from American University, a B.S. in accounting and B.S.in business administration from the College of Charleston in Charleston, SC.

Jodi has been a member of Girl Scouts Nation’s Capital Board of Directors since 2021, a member of the Nominating Committee, and is serving as the co-chair of the Major Gifts Committee. She is passionate about Girl Scouts and has held several volunteer positions in the Council including most recently National Delegate for the 2020 National Council Session. She is also a member of the DEI Ad Hoc Task Force, Women’s Advisory Board (WAB), an Adult Educator and Area Training Manager. She is a former member of the STEM Advisory Group and has held other Girl Scout positions such as Association Money Manager, Troop Leader, Association Delegate, LOGO Chairperson (Loudoun Older Girl Organization), Gold Award Panel Member, and Service Unit Manager.
Susan J. Moser
Arlington, VA

Managing Partner, Washington DC
Cherry Bekaert LLP

Founder and leader of the Firm’s Government Contractor Services group and Managing Partner of Cherry Bekaert’s Washington, DC, practice, Susan provides a unique insight into the needs and perspectives of her clients. She assists government contractor and technology clients with a wide array of accounting and consulting services, including strategic assessment plans, business process reviews, regulatory guidance, proposal pricing and cost strategies.

After bringing her operational experience in industry to Cherry Bekaert in 1997, Susan became a Partner in 1999 and then moved to the Washington, DC, office to serve as Partner-in-Charge in 2006. Specialties/areas of expertise includes Business Systems Compliance, Contract Closeouts, Contract Compliance, Cost Accounting Standards (CAS), DCAA Audit Requirements, Defense Federal Acquisition Regulations (DFAR), Federal Acquisition Regulations (FAR), Government Contractor Consulting Services, and Indirect Rates. Susan is a frequent speaker on complex issues affecting government contractors and is a subject matter expert on compliance with the Federal Acquisition Regulations.

Susan’s professional involvement includes Northern Virginia Chamber of Commerce Executive Committee & Treasurer of Board, Economics Club of Washington, Professional Services Corporation (PSC), and Leadership Greater Washington (Class of 2010). Susan is Board member for the National Capital Chapter Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, Board Chair for Habitat for Humanity of Washington, DC, and was named a “Woman Who Mean Business” by the Washington Business Journal in 2010.

Susan grew up as a Girl Scout in our Council and her mother and grandmother were both troop leaders. Susan received her Bachelor of Science in Accounting from Virginia Commonwealth University and was a Girl Scout Brownie troop leader in our council for five years after graduation.

Susan has been a member of Girl Scouts Nation’s Capital Board of Directors since 2020. She is Chair of the Governance Advisory Committee, member of the Investment and Audit Advisory committees, Women’s Advisory Board (WAB), and Major Gifts Society.
Barbara Ostrom  
Vienna, VA

Senior Engineer – Transportation  
Wood Technical Consulting Solutions

Barbara completed college under the Army ROTC program graduating with degrees in Civil Engineering. After fulfilling her obligation with a tour at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri (Dogwood Trails Girl Scout Council), she joined the Maryland State Highway Administration. Her studies in transportation planning led to her heading the Traffic Forecasting Section. She developed a fascination with data, particularly truck counting and weighing that has been a major component of her on-going engineering career.

Barbara is a Lifetime Girl Scout Member, having been active for more than 40 years. She belonged to several troops in this Council in the Arlington area as a girl. She earned her First Class as a 9th grader at what was then Williamsburg Junior High School. While active in other councils she was a troop leader, ran day camps, served as service unit cookie manager and as a registrar, all when the most advanced technology was paper, pencil and a four-function calculator. On returning to the council in the early 1990s, she became involved in various volunteer positions including Adult Educator, Service Unit Manager, and Service Unit Money Manager. Passionate about the outdoor opportunities that left such a positive impression on her as a girl, she prioritizes her educational and philanthropic efforts in the Council for our camps.

Barbara has been a member of the Board of Girl Scouts Nation’s Capital since 2017. She is a member of the Major Gifts Society, and former member of the Bylaws Revision Ad Hoc Committee and the SHARE Task Force.

Edward Geoffrey Sella  
Kensington, MD

President & CEO / Financial Advisor  
SPC Financial, Inc.

Geoff joined SPC Financial® (SPC) in 1983. He has spent over the last three decades transforming SPC from a modest investment management and tax planning practice, into a highly specialized, nationally recognized, award winning, Independent SEC Registered Investment firm... equipped with a seasoned group of cross-trained, wealth management, estate and tax planning advisors. Geoff has also spent two decades as a partner in Sella & Martinic, LLC, (S&M) Certified Public Accountants and continues to advise, consult and educate those around him with his vast understanding of the financial world and the challenging financial obstacles they may face.
Geoff is dedicated to helping his expanding diverse client roster skillfully plan and execute their investment goals, through estate and income tax planning programs, retirement, succession, college and legacy planning, portfolio management, asset transfer strategies as well as wealth management preservation programs.

Geoff is a native Washingtonian and believes in giving back to the community through corporate sponsorships and good will. Geoff serves as a Board Member for the Middlesex Beach Association in Bethany Beach, Delaware. When he manages to find free time, outside of the financial spectrum, he spends time at the beach and catching up with his maturing family. Geoff resides in Kensington, Maryland with his wife Paula, and two of his four sons. Geoff received a degree in Accounting from Marquette University.

Geoff has been a member of the Board of Girl Scouts Nation’s Capital since 2020. He is the chair of the Investment Committee and a member of the Major Gifts Society. He is also a member of Girl Scouts of the USA Pension Advisory Committee.

Carolyn Thompson
Vienna, VA

Managing Principal & CEO
Merito Group, LLC

Carolyn is Managing Principal of the Merito Group, a nationwide talent acquisition consulting firm providing retained and direct hire executive search, RPO and sourcing programs for highly cleared professionals as well as general contingent labor services across the US.

What most people don’t know is that Carolyn is also a serial entrepreneur across multiple industries. Since 2013, she has launched: The Washington Women’s Leadership Initiative (WWLI.org) – a 501(c)3 membership organization with over 200 women leader members; BioPharma Global (www.biopharmaglobal.com) – a global biotech regulatory affairs firm facilitating FDA and EMA approvals for new and investigational drugs and devices with as specialty in rare diseases and unmet needs; The Elevar Group (www.elevargroup.com) – global continuing education provider for ICF credentialed coaches; ResellXL (www.resellxl.com) – online consignment retailer for plus size clothes, shoes and accessories; Resale Global (www.resaleglobal.com – inventory software and ecommerce software as a service for the consignment industry allowing local stores to go global in one click; and ShopBrite (www.shopbrite.com) – sustainable shopping and fashion aggregator for consignment shoppers where people can enter their measurements online and see all the unique items that fit them now or within an inch of alteration (launching 2020).

She resides in the Washington, DC and Miami, FL areas and is frequently called upon by national magazines, trade journals, and news organizations such as The Washington Post, The Wall Street Journal, NPR, CNN and MSNBC to contribute content on a variety of topics.
Carolyn is a Trustee of Kansas State University, has written a few books, and sits on several boards. She is an active member of Women in Bio, ACG, the National Speakers Association, the Pinnacle Society, and a credentialed member of the International Coach Federation. Carolyn received bachelor’s degree in Business Administration from Kansas State University. She grew up as a top Girl Scout cookie seller in Kansas.

Carolyn has been a member of the Board of Girl Scouts Nation’s Capital since 2017. She is a member of the Nominating Committee, Golf Classic Committee, Major Gifts Society, and former co-chair of the Major Gifts Committee.

**Harriett Thompson**  
Ashburn, VA

*Manager, Software Development & Programming*  
*Beacon Health Options, Inc.*

Harriett has held several volunteer positions in Girl Scouts since 2003, including Second Vice President of Girl Scouts Nation’s Capital Board of Directors, Association Chair, Service Unit Manager, Association Nominating & Referral Chair, Troop Leader, National Delegate to GSUSA convention, Strategy Refresh Team Leader, and SHARE Regional Co-chair. She currently serves as an Adult Educator and is still a member of both her Service Unit and Association teams.

Harriett received a bachelor’s degree in Electrical Engineering from the University of Virginia.

Harriett started a new term as member of Girl Scouts Nation’s Capital Board of Directors in 2020 and is a member of the Nominating Committee, and former co-chair of the Strategic Planning Ad Hoc Committee. She is a Lifetime Girl Scout Member, and a proud member of the Juliette Low Legacy Society.

**Cheryle Thorne-Harris**  
Alexandria, VA

*Former Vice President*  
*Burke & Herbert Bank*

Cheryle joined Burke & Herbert Bank in 2018 and was the Vice President and Relationship Manager in Commercial Banking. She has nearly 30 years of experience in personnel management, banking, lending, and treasury management. Cheryle’s strong Treasury Management background, combined with her experience in banking and lending, allowed her to provide all-encompassing solutions for her clients. A diligent problem-solver, Cheryle consulted with her clients to ensure she finds the right banking and borrowing solutions for their businesses.
Previously to joining Burke & Herbert Bank, Cheryle was a Senior Vice President at BB&T Bank, where she managed a large loan and deposit portfolio for not-for-profit and municipal clients. She also worked in Treasury Management at SunTrust Bank and Bank of America and was recognized as a top loan producer. In addition to her work as a Commercial Banker, Cheryle is involved in a number of community and volunteer activities, including her current membership on the Board of Directors of Communities in Schools/Virginia. Cheryle was the Board Chair of Girl Scouts of Colonial Coast before moving to the Washington DC area. She has received several awards and honors for her volunteer service and leadership.

Cheryle is a Lifetime Girl Scout member and became a member of Girl Scouts Nation’s Capital Board of Directors in 2020. She is the co-chair of the DEI Ad Hoc Task Force, member of the Women’s Advisory Board (WAB), and former member of the Strategic Planning Ad Hoc Committee.

**ONGOING MEMBERS OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

**Christy Brundage**  
Washington, DC

*Human Resources Manager*  
*Intel Corporation*

Christy is the Global Head of HR for Intel’s Government, Markets, and Trade (GMT) organization. In this role, she partners with the Chief Government Affairs Officer to drive a positive employee experience, winning culture, and innovative ways of working. She is based in Washington, DC. As a 15-year Intel veteran, Christy has contributed to the company’s brand and reputation as a diverse employer of choice. She passionately advocates to ensure all employees’ voices are heard, listened and responded to. She has held other important roles at Intel, including relocation and immigration manager, transition and change manager, strategic employee relations manager, employee resource group manager, diversity program manager, career resource center manager, and HR business partner.

Prior to joining Intel, Christy gained a depth of experience at Eli Lilly and Company, General Electric Company, and Arthur Andersen LLP. She has a M.S. in Human Resource Management and a B.S. in Accounting from Purdue University. She holds the designation of Professional of Human Resource Management through the HR Certification Institute. Christy has served as an adjunct human resources professor at the University of New Mexico, Anderson School of Management.

Away from the office, Christy is just as passionate and active with many organizations in her community. She has served on nonprofit boards including the United Way of Central New Mexico Center for Nonprofit Excellence and Gregory’s Fresh Marketplace. She and her husband founded the non-profit, Tools for Learning Outreach Services. In collaboration with the Girl Scouts of New Mexico Trails, they implemented Generation STEM, a robotics program serving New Mexico girls in
rural areas who have historically lacked access. Moving to the D.C. area was no different. Her current focus is volunteering as a Troop Leader and serving on the Gold Award Scholarship Panel for Girl Scouts Nation’s Capital.

Christy was recognized by New Mexico Business First as a 40 Under Forty Honoree. She was named Working Mother Magazine’s Working Mother of the Year; and received the Circle of Achievement Award from the Girl Scouts of New Mexico Trails for her volunteer work as a New Mexico Junior First® LEGO® League coach.

Outside of work Christy enjoys exploring the Eastern Seashore (catching crabs, visiting beaches, and kayaking) with her husband Aaron and their three daughters.

Christy has been a member of Girl Scouts Nation’s Capital Nominating Committee since 2021.

Jeri A. Fellerman
Fairfax, VA
Principal
RRP Global, LLC

Jeri is a Principal at RRP Global, LLC where she provides advice and guidance to financial institutions on risk management, credit administration, credit review and sales processes.

Jeri has 35 years of experience in the banking industry in a variety of locations including Anchorage, Alaska, Denver, Colorado and for the past 26 years, in Washington, D.C. Her experience ranges from commercial and industrial banking to non-profit and commercial real estate finance. Prior to RRP Global, Jeri was an Executive Vice President & Senior Credit Officer at EagleBank, where she directly managed the bank’s Loan Documentation and Pre-Closing Departments; served as a voting member of the bank’s Management Loan Committee; and oversaw other credit related functions within Credit Administration. Jeri also spent three years as a Senior Vice President & Market Executive managing EagleBank’s Northern Virginia Commercial Banking office, and 11 years as a Senior Vice President & Senior Relationship Manager at Wells Fargo Bank. She also held similar positions at SunTrust, Bank of America and Riggs Bank.

Jeri is active in the community and serves on the Board of Directors of The Women’s Center in Vienna, Virginia; The Foundation for Fairfax County Public Schools; and is a member of the Dean’s Advisory Council for The Johns Hopkins Carey Business School.

Jeri received a B.A. in International Affairs from Lewis & Clark College in Portland, Oregon, and a M.S. in Business with a concentration in Finance from The Johns Hopkins Carey Business School in Baltimore, Maryland.
Jeri has been a member of the Nominating Committee since 2020 and formerly served for six years as Treasurer of the Board of Girl Scouts Nation’s Capital. She has mentored girls for many years at Camp CEO and is a Lifetime Girl Scout Member.

**Jodi Morton**  
Ashburn, VA  

*Managing Director and Chief Data Officer*  
*KPMG*

As Chief Data Officer, Jodi drives the firm’s data strategy and operations to build a state-of-the-art data supply chain, and the related governance, standards and processes. Prior to joining KPMG, Jodi worked at Freddie Mac for 15 years, most recently as Vice President and Chief Data Officer for the Single-Family Business. Jodi is also an alumnus of PwC.

Jodi is a CPA. She earned a master’s degree in finance from American University, a B.S. in accounting and B.S.in business administration from the College of Charleston in Charleston, SC.

Jodi has been a member of Girl Scouts Nation’s Capital Board of Directors since 2021, a member of the Nominating Committee, and is serving as the co-chair of the Major Gifts Committee. She is passionate about Girl Scouts and has held several volunteer positions in the Council including most recently National Delegate for the 2020 National Council Session. She is also a member of the DEI Ad Hoc Task Force, Women’s Advisory Board (WAB), an Adult Educator and Area Training Manager. She is a former member of the STEM Advisory Group and has held other Girl Scout positions such as Association Money Manager, Troop Leader, Association Delegate, LOGO Chairperson (Loudoun Older Girl Organization), Gold Award Panel Member, and Service Unit Manager.

**Jeri K. Somers**  
Washington, DC  

*Mediator and Arbitrator*  
*The McCammon Group* - Alternate Dispute Resolution (ADR)*

In her role at The McCammon Group as an ADR neutral, the Honorable Jeri K. Somers mediates and/or arbitrates government contracts matters, construction matters, and other industry disputes. She is also a partner with the Potomac Law Group, PLLC, a new model law firm, where she provides legal guidance in government contracts, construction, and other specialties, in addition to providing expert consultation and testimony in the area of federal government contracts.

Prior to retiring from the CBCA in 2021, Judge Somers presided over high-stakes trials with millions of dollars at stake and issued decisions in cases arising under the Contract Disputes Act,
and other unique statutory schemes. As chair, she was also responsible for the management of the CBCA, which has worldwide jurisdiction, and its budget. Judge Somers is widely known and respected in the government contracts community. Before her appointment as chair of the CBCA, she served as vice chair from 2008 until 2017. Prior to the creation of the CBCA in 2007, Judge Somers served as an administrative judge on the Department of Transportation Board of Contract Appeals.

Judge Somers’ impressive record across her 35 years in legal practice began when she served in the US Air Force as a lawyer in the Judge Advocate General Corps. While on active duty, Judge Somers provided legal advice on international law of war issues, served as a prosecutor and defense counsel, and ultimately litigated cases before the Armed Services Board of Contract Appeals. After transitioning to the Reserves, Judge Somers served in the US Department of Justice (DOJ)’s Commercial Litigation Branch, where she litigated on behalf of the US in the Court of Federal Claims and in appeals before the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, including some of the most high-profile government contracts cases of the era. She then spent six years as an AUSA in the Eastern District of Virginia (Alexandria division), litigating all manner of disputes, including one of the last “Scanwell” bid protest cases in US District Court. She also worked as a lawyer in private practice before her appointment to the DOT Board in 2003. Meanwhile, Judge Somers served for many years as the Staff Judge Advocate for the DC Air National Guard and provided critical guidance to the Commanding General during the attacks of September 11, 2001. Prior to retiring in 2008, with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel, Judge Somers served as a military judge in the USAF Reserves.

She has been a professorial lecturer in law at the George Washington University Law School since 2009, where she also serves on the school’s Government Contracts Advisory Board, and as an adjunct professor at the American University Washington College of Law since 2018. She is actively involved in the American Bar Association’s Public Contract Law Section. Judge Somers is member of Girl Scouts Nation’s Capital Nominating Committee and a member of the Women’s Advisory Board. She is also a Gold Award Girl Scout.

Harriett Thompson
Ashburn, VA
Manager, Software Development & Programming
Beacon Health Options, Inc.

Harriett has held several volunteer positions in Girl Scouts since 2003, including Second Vice President of Girl Scouts Nation’s Capital Board of Directors, Association Chair, Service Unit Manager, Association Nominating & Referral Chair, Troop Leader, National Delegate to GSUSA convention, Strategy Refresh Team Leader, and SHARE Regional Co-chair. She currently serves as an Adult Educator and is still a member of both her Service Unit and Association teams.

Harriett received a bachelor’s degree in Electrical Engineering from the University of Virginia.
Harriett started a new term as member of Girl Scouts Nation’s Capital Board of Directors in 2020 and is a member of the Nominating Committee, and former co-chair of the Strategic Planning Ad Hoc Committee. She is a Lifetime Girl Scout Member, and a proud member of the Juliette Low Legacy Society.

Mary Karen Wills
Bethesda, MD

Managing Director
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Mary Karen is an expert in the field of managerial accounting, financial accounting, audit, and compliance. She has over 30 years of experience providing business consulting and financial advisory services to Companies and Organizations that range from middle market to the Fortune 100, NGOs and Not for Profit Organizations.

Mary Karen leads the Government Contracts practice for the Berkeley Research Group. She is recognized as an expert in matters involving Federal government contracts and grants. She specializes in advising commercial companies how to adapt practices to conform to the complex government contracting regulated environment. Her experience ranges from strategy development, mergers and acquisition assistance, audit and cost accounting, and testifying as an expert witness in litigation matters. Mary Karen is a CPA and a Certified Fraud Examiner.

Mary Karen serves on several boards, including Counterpart International, Interhealth, Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation, and QED LLC. She leads Finance and Audit Committees and assists these organizations in accomplishing their objectives. She is also heavily involved in enterprise risk management and finance responsibilities of Boards.

Mary Karen is married with three college aged children. In her spare time, she plays golf with her husband, gardens, and walks the beach with her dog.

Mary Karen is a Lifetime Girl Scout Member and became a member of the Nominating Committee in 2021, after serving as a member of Girl Scouts Nation’s Capital Board of Directors for six years. She is an avid golfer and is the chair of the Golf Classic Committee, member and former chair of the Governance Advisory Committee, member of the Major Gifts Committee, and former member of the Investment Committee.