

## PEOPLE ON THE MOVE

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## ARCHITECTURE / DESIGN

## Hoerr Schaudt Landscape Architects, Chicago

Hoerr Schaudt Landscape Architects is thrilled to announce the promotion of **Carroll Conway** to President. Over the past twenty years, Carroll has helped manage and advance the firm, maximizing the efficacy of Hoerr Schaudt's business practices through strategic leadership and operations. During her tenure, the company has grown from eight employees to over 50 across three nationwide locations. Her commitment to the firm has yielded significant growth in both size and revenue.



Hoerr Schaudt

## BANKING

## Elgin State Bank, Elgin

**Yaneth Medina** has been promoted to president of Elgin State Bank, part of the Wintrust Community Banks family. With 25 years of experience, she is responsible for overseeing budget planning, loan growth, and maximizing revenue in the Elgin market. Yaneth also serves as vice president and board member for Centro De Informacion; chair and board member for the Elgin Area Chamber of Commerce; and board member for Marklund. She has earned awards from Latina Style Magazine and Today's Inspired Latina.



ELGIN STATE BANK  
A WINTRUST COMMUNITY BANK

## BANKING

## First Bank Chicago, Northbrook

First Bank Chicago, a Division of First Bank of Highland Park, is pleased to announce **Sarah Gin** has been promoted to Senior Vice President, Middle Market Banking. As the bank continues to grow its Middle Market portfolio, Sarah is responsible for managing and building strong client relationships as well as underwriting new credits. Sarah has over 20 years of financial expertise and joined the First Bank team in 2016.



First Bank Chicago  
A Division of First Bank of Highland Park

## BANKING

## Wintrust Commercial Real Estate, Chicago

**Jason Baeten** joins Wintrust Commercial Real Estate as vice president, relationship manager. In this role, Jason will focus on providing acquisition, construction, and term debt financing for commercial real estate owners and developers. Jason has 14 years of industry experience, most recently serving as vice president, credit products manager at Regions Bank. Jason holds a Bachelor of Science in finance from Illinois State University.



WINTRUST  
COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE

## BANKING / FINANCE

## PNC Bank, Chicago

**Dorothy Abreu** has been promoted to senior vice president and relationship manager for PNC Public Finance. Abreu will help lead the provision of capital solutions and tailored financial services to public sector and non-profit entities including the State of Illinois, the City of Chicago and its sister agencies, and other not-for-profit organizations. She brings nearly 20 years of experience in commercial banking in both sales and underwriting capacities.



PNC

## BUSINESS ORGANIZATIONS

## Calumet Area Industrial Commission, Chicago

**Beth Dybala** has been named Vice-President of Economic Development at CAIC. Ms. Dybala has over 20 years of experience in expanding public/private partnerships as well as business retention and expansion efforts on the North Side of Chicago, Lake County IL, and the South Suburbs of Cook County. With a Master's degree in Urban Planning from UIC and a Bachelor of Arts in Economics from UIUC, Ms. Dybala will be planning and overseeing multiple programs at the Commission.



CAIC  
CALUMET AREA INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

## BUSINESS SERVICES

## Purchasing Power, Chicago

**Patrick Cleary** has been appointed Mid-Central Regional Sales Director at Purchasing Power, a voluntary benefit fintech company offering the leading employee purchase program through payroll deduction. He oversees regional sales (Illinois, Iowa, Colorado, Arizona, Nebraska, Utah) focused on benefit brokers and their employer clients. He will be building new broker segments to generate lasting business relationships representing the program and its financial flexibility advantages for employees.



## EXECUTIVE SEARCH

## Korn Ferry, Chicago

Korn Ferry is pleased to announce **Radhika Papandreou** has been appointed as Managing Partner of the Korn Ferry Chicago Office. In her expanded role, Radhika will provide leadership for the Chicago team while continuing to lead the Firm's Travel, Hospitality and Leisure practice. Radhika joined Korn Ferry from another executive search firm, where she was global head of its Hospitality practice. Previously, Radhika had an eighteen-year career in corporate banking in New York, Chicago and London.



KORN FERRY

## LAW

## Benesch Law, Chicago

**Mircea A. Tipescu** has joined Benesch as a Partner in the firm's Litigation Practice Group. Mircea represents clients in intellectual property litigation matters and provides strategic counseling regarding all facets of patent protection and enforcement. On the litigation side, he has represented domestic and multinational clients in federal court and before the International Trade Commission.



## LAW

## Franczek P.C., Chicago

Franczek P.C. is delighted to announce that **Koga Ndikum-Moffor** has joined the firm as an associate. Koga's practice includes representing and advising school districts, higher education clients, and public and private sector employers on a variety of education and employment law matters. She has previously represented Chicago Public Schools as a Due Process Attorney and the African Development Bank in employment law matters before international administrative tribunals.



FRANCZEK

## LAW

## Freeborn &amp; Peters LLP, Chicago

Freeborn & Peters LLP is pleased to announce that the firm has elevated **Kathleen A. Ehrhart** to Equity Partner effective January 1, 2022. Kathy is a member of the Litigation Practice Group and Insurance/Reinsurance Industry Team and Co-Leader of the Insurance Brokerage Group. She has extensive experience working with executives, senior management and in-house counsel of corporations in managing litigation as well as advising on litigation risks and strategy.



## LAW

## Freeborn &amp; Peters LLP, Chicago

Freeborn & Peters LLP is pleased to announce that the firm has elevated **Jeffrey A. Rossman** to Equity Partner effective January 1, 2022. Jeff is a member of the Litigation Practice Group. He has extensive trial and appellate experience and has tried and argued cases in federal and state courts across the country. Jeff also regularly counsels clients on litigation, tax and regulatory matters across the country, acting as national counsel for several large eCommerce companies.



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## LAW

## Freeborn &amp; Peters LLP, Chicago

Freeborn & Peters LLP is pleased to announce that the firm has elevated attorney **Ann M. Zwick** to Income Partner, effective January 1, 2022. Ann M. Zwick is a Partner in the Environment and Energy, and Real Estate Practice Groups. Ann has in-depth knowledge and experience in all aspects of environmental law, with a focus on the solid waste and scrap metal industries and air regulatory matters.



## LAW

## Golan Christie Taglia LLP, Chicago

**Anthony R. Taglia** has been named Managing Partner of GCT, overseeing a team of over 30 legal professionals who serve businesses, corporations, high-net-worth individuals and non-profit organizations from their Chicago office. Tony represents closely held businesses and business owners in corporate matters, tax, real estate, banking and finance. He also leads business owners on the design and implementation of commercial transactions, structuring of new business ventures and mergers & acquisitions.



## LAW

## McCormack Schreiber Legal Search, Chicago

McCormack Schreiber Legal Search is pleased to announce the addition of a new Managing Director, **Howard Rosenblum**. Howard joins McCormack Schreiber after more than 25 years in the Chicago legal community. He practiced for the last 17 years in-house at Walgreens, having served as both Senior Litigation Counsel and Director and Managing Counsel. We are delighted to welcome Howard to our team of talented recruiters.



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## LAW

## Nixon Peabody LLP, Chicago

**Kate Michalski** has joined Nixon Peabody LLP's Community Development Finance, New Markets Tax Credits practice group as an associate based in our Chicago office. She focuses her practice on transactions involving complex tax credit financing, analysis of tax structure, and related areas for clients with sophisticated real estate credit needs.



NIXON PEABODY

## LAW

## Willkie Farr &amp; Gallagher LLP, Chicago

Willkie Farr & Gallagher LLP announced that **Melanie Mansfield** has joined the firm as a partner in the Business Reorganization & Restructuring Department. Melanie focuses her practice on complex finance transactions and restructurings, and has significant experience advising funds and financial sponsors on direct investments and distressed investment reorganizations inside and outside of bankruptcy. She is based in Willkie's Chicago office.



## NON-PROFIT

## Cara Collective, Chicago

Cara Collective's Board of Directors announced **Kathleen S. Caliento** will assume the role of President & CEO. She will lead the 30-year-old social purpose enterprise and its four entities - which produce nearly 1,000 jobs annually for people experiencing homelessness and poverty - beginning July 6. Caliento has spent two decades committed to urban education, student success, and dismantling social injustice. Previously, she was the Chief Learning and Design Officer at the Academy Group.



CARA COLLECTIVE

## NON-PROFIT

## Mikva Challenge, Chicago

**Verneé Green** has been appointed as the new Chief Executive Officer of Mikva Challenge, a national leader in the field of youth civic engagement that works with over 100,000 students in sixteen states. A seasoned educational leader, Verneé was most recently the Executive Director of Mikva's Illinois chapter and joined the organization three years ago as the Chief Program Officer. She has worked in the field of education for 25 years, including three years as a teacher in Chicago Public Schools.



Mikva Challenge

## TECHNOLOGY

## Information Resources, Inc. (IRI), Chicago

**Cecilia Ogude** has been appointed senior vice president of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion at IRI. In her role, Ogude will partner with IRI leadership across the global organization to facilitate the development, implementation, and continuous evolution of IRI's DEI strategy, initiatives, programs, tools and resources, building on the successful programs and efforts already established. Prior to joining IRI, Ogude was a Firmwide Diversity and Inclusion Program Lead at JPMorgan Chase & Co.



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