

ACCOUNTING / CONSULTING

Mann Weitz & Associates, Deerfield

Dan Reznick, CPA, has been named Tax Department Practice Leader of MWA. Since joining the Firm, Dan, with 15 years of experience in public and private accounting, and the real estate industry, has been a leader in the department, impacting client service and staff development. A graduate of the University of Illinois, Dan focuses on putting clients at ease by helping them understand complex tax concepts in a simple and straightforward manner. He is a board member at Hair For You Foundation.



ARCHITECTURE / DESIGN

Kahler Slater, Chicago / Milwaukee

Kahler Slater is pleased to announce the promotion of **Tracie Parent** to Vice President and Chief Operating Officer. Parent will continue her responsibilities as Chief Financial Officer and expand her duties to be a member of the firm's Executive Team which oversees the firm's strategic direction and planning. Parent will direct the day-to-day operations of Kahler Slater's four offices as well providing executive direction to her team in finance, technology, and human resources.



Kahler Slater

CONSTRUCTION

Bulley & Andrews Masonry Restoration, LLC, Chicago

Joshua Freedland joined Bulley & Andrews Masonry Restoration, the nation's leading terra cotta and façade restoration contractor, as Director of Historic Preservation. During his 20+ year career, Joshua's expertise has benefited hundreds of significant buildings including Prudential Plaza, Gateway Arch in St. Louis and the Washington Monument. Joshua brings an exceptional depth of knowledge in investigation, analysis and recommendations that BAMR will leverage on assignments across the country.



DESIGN / BUILD

Ventana, Chicago

Merry Wirth has been named Director of Preconstruction at Ventana, a Chicago-based designer, supplier and installer of curtain wall façade systems. Merry brings over 20 years of experience in managing building enclosure systems and vendor relationships. In her new role, she will ensure that estimates are accurate, complete and reflect the requirements of world-class residential and commercial towers. Merry holds an MBA from DePaul University and a BS in biology from Loyola University Chicago.



PEOPLE ON THE MOVE

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DESIGN / CONSTRUCTION

Custom Crafters, Forest Park

Kris Imala is the new CEO & Managing Principal for Custom Crafters, a provider of beautifully handcrafted custom furniture, casegoods and architectural millwork. Custom Crafters' reputation for outstanding workmanship enables the company to play a key role in many projects across the country for organizations including Chicago Blackhawks, DuPage Medical Group and Northwestern University. "I'm energized by the creativity, hard work and pride that each team member puts into every piece made."



INSURANCE BROKERAGE

GCG Financial, Deerfield

GCG Financial has promoted two members of its executive team as part of its ongoing efforts to accelerate growth and position the company for long-term success, while continuing to focus on delivering an exceptional client experience. **David Levitz** will now serve as a Managing Partner of the firm, with a focus on corporate growth and new business development. **Carla DeMello** will succeed Levitz as President, Employee Benefits, with responsibility for the strategic direction of the employee benefits business along with all aspects of client experience and operations oversight. The move makes DeMello the highest ranking woman at GCG, and one of very few women nationally to serve as president of such a large employee benefits business.



LAW

Benesch Law, Chicago

Ryan T. Sulkín has joined Benesch as a Partner in the firm's Innovations, Information Technology & Intellectual Property (3iP) Practice Group. Ryan's practice resides squarely at the intersection of technology and data. He regularly advises clients with respect to complex technology transactions, including SaaS, cloud, software development, professional services, and outsourcing arrangements.



LAW

Latham & Watkins LLP, Chicago

Nineveh Alkhas has been elected a partner at Latham & Watkins in Chicago, effective March 1. She is a member of the Benefits, Compensation & Employment Practice in the Tax Department who focuses her practice on labor and employment law, advising clients in corporate transactions and counseling on day-to-day employment matters. She capitalizes on her employment litigation and counseling experience to assess risks and strategize with respect to labor and employment matters implicated in a deal.



LATHAM & WATKINS LLP

LAW

Latham & Watkins LLP, Chicago

Laura N. Ferrell has been elected a partner at Latham & Watkins in Chicago, effective March 1. She is a member of the Investment Funds Practice in the Corporate Department who advises a broad cross-section of the asset management industry on complex legal, regulatory, and compliance matters, including SEC examinations and investigations. In addition to advising leading global financial services institutions, she also represents a variety of public and private investment vehicles.



LATHAM & WATKINS LLP

LAW

Latham & Watkins LLP, Chicago

Cindy Cailavet Sinclair has been elected a partner at Latham & Watkins in Chicago, effective March 1. A member of the Banking Practice in the Finance Department, she represents financial institutions, private equity firms, and corporate borrowers in leveraged finance transactions, such as acquisition financings, working capital revolvers, large cap and middle market cash flow and asset-based lending facilities, reserve-based lending facilities, and debtor-in-possession and exit facilities.



LATHAM & WATKINS LLP

LAW

Robbins, Salomon & Patt, Ltd., Chicago

Robbins, Salomon & Patt, Ltd., a full-service law firm in the Chicagoland area, is pleased to announce veteran attorney **Rita W. Garry** has joined the firm's Chicago Office as a member of the Business Transactions Group. Garry's extensive work with her client base involves many enterprise matters including choice of entity and governance, employment, finance, real estate, mergers and acquisitions, commercial contracting, software licensing, and data privacy and cybersecurity compliance.



NON-PROFIT

American Cancer Society Illinois Board, Chicago

John T. Greene, a newer business leader to the state, joined Discover Financial Services in September 2019 as Chief Financial Officer. John adds a trove of leadership experience to the ACS Illinois Board. Like too many people, he has experienced a personal loss from cancer and is driven to make a difference in every aspect of the fight.



Carlos F. Cata is the managing partner of Caldwell's Chicago office and a member of the Financial Services, Consumer, & Marketing, Sales & Strategy Officers practices. Carlos has extensive experience recruiting impactful senior leaders across multiple industry sectors, with a strong focus on companies seeking transformational growth.



NON-PROFIT

American Cancer Society Illinois Board, Chicago

Ken Hallman of greater Chicago has joined the American Cancer Society Illinois Board in its mission to save lives, celebrate lives, and lead the fight for a world without cancer. Ken brings over 30 years of general management, strategic planning, and industrial product management & development experience. He has led several multibillion-dollar product families, including the Kenmore brand and the Motorola Droid product family.



Hallman



McNerney

NON-PROFIT

Dr. Megan E. McNerney, M.D., Ph.D. was asked to join the board to consult in the development of a pay-if council focused on increasing approved state research project funding. Dr. McNerney is a cancer genomicist and physician-scientist investigating how genetic changes alter normal hematopoiesis and drive cancer.

NON-PROFIT

Embarc, Chicago

Lonnie Thomas, Managing Partner of Throop Street Capital, has joined Embarc's Board of Directors. Lonnie will support Embarc in transforming Chicago's education system into the most experiential and equitable in the country. Lonnie founded Throop Street Capital, a Chicago-based firm specializing in investing and managing assets in challenging urban areas to help our city stay thriving and prosperous.



NON-PROFIT

Embarc, Chicago

Danny Wirtz, Vice Chairman of Breakthru Beverage and Chief Executive Officer of the Chicago Blackhawks has joined Embarc's Board of Directors. His work with Embarc will help grow their mission of educating students while breaking down barriers that prevent journeys to successful careers and inspired futures. Danny is the Vice Chairman of the Chicago Blackhawks Foundation whose vision is a healthier, smarter, more secure world for families in and around Chicago.



PHARMACEUTICAL

Orphazyme US, Inc., Chicago

Izabella Tyszler is Vice President of Marketing and Field Execution at Orphazyme. She joined the company as a member of its U.S. leadership team. She has more than 15 years of healthcare experience, including most recently as Senior Director of U.S. Marketing for Novartis Gene Therapies (formerly known as AveXis Inc). Tyszler is a graduate of DePaul University. Orphazyme is a late-stage biopharmaceutical company preparing to launch its first rare disease treatment.



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PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

West Monroe, Chicago

West Monroe, a national business and technology consulting firm, is pleased to announce the appointment of **Jason Cutler** as managing director in its Customer Experience practice. Cutler is a recognized Salesforce expert with a diverse background in finance, strategy, and operations. He has led multiple \$1 million-plus transformation initiatives for financial services, manufacturing, healthcare/life sciences, and software clients. He joined the firm in 2015 through an acquisition.



PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

West Monroe, Chicago

West Monroe, a national business and technology consulting firm, is pleased to announce the appointment of **Chris Stafford** as managing director in its M&A practice. Stafford is a leader in West Monroe's longstanding M&A practice, focusing on software companies. He helps software-as-a-service and tech-enabled services companies navigate complex situations. A trusted advisor to PE firms and management teams, he has led more than 300 transactions. He joined West Monroe directly from college in 2008.



REAL ESTATE

Patrinely Group, Chicago

Patrinely Group, LLC, a national real estate firm, announces the addition of **Jon Levy** as Executive Vice President to help lead its growing development team. Levy joins Patrinely Group with over 20 years of experience in the real estate industry, most recently at Amazon and previously at Pircher, Nichols & Meeks. As a part of the Patrinely team, he will lead the industrial platform for the company, which will focus on build-to-suit and speculative development for warehouse and e-commerce users.



Patrinely Group

WELLNESS

Studio Three, Chicago

Studio Three, Chicago's leader in group fitness innovation, has announced **Richard Earney** as President. In this newly added role, Earney will further Studio Three's award-winning fitness environment, implement innovative programming experiences, lead the group's team of elite fitness instructors, and strategize for the brand's continued growth. Earney joins Studio Three with 23 years of experience steering premier fitness programs throughout North America, Europe, and Australasia.



STUDIO III

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