



The ACIC is pleased to congratulate and welcome its newest officers and trustees. The following individuals were elected to the positions described below during the ACIC's annual meeting on October 18, 2018.

**Officers for the 2018 – 2018 period:**

- President: Armando M. Gamboa, The Prudential Insurance Company of America
- Vice President 1: Anthony D. Yager, Chapman and Cutler LLP
- Vice President 2: Tina Smith, Thrivent Financial for Lutherans
- Secretary: Renee M. Daily, Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP
- Treasurer: Christopher S. Dallas, Pacific Life Insurance Company

**Class of 2021 Trustees, each to serve for a three year term:**

- Bryan S. Cho, MetLife
- Catherine Hood, Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP
- Mary Jo Quinn, Allstate Investments

Please see below to learn more about the ACIC's esteemed new officers and trustees.

**Armando M. Gamboa** (*The Prudential Insurance Company of America*)



Armando M. Gamboa is a Vice President and Corporate Counsel for the Private Placement Section of Prudential Capital Group (an investment unit of Prudential Financial, Inc.) located in Chicago. Armando provides legal support primarily to Prudential Capital Group's Chicago-based domestic and international corporate finance teams, as well as to the international corporate finance teams in Paris, Milan, Frankfurt, Sydney and Mexico City. Armando's primary focus is on traditional private placements, mezzanine and equity investments and future flow securitizations. Armando is a past co-chair of Prudential's US Business Law minority and women-owned law firms committee and he is one of Prudential's relationship managers for the Hispanic National Bar Association.

Before joining Prudential in 2003, Armando was an Associate in the Chicago offices of Mayer Brown LLP and Freeborn & Peters LLP. He earned his BS degree in accounting and finance from the University of Illinois at Chicago in 1994 and his JD degree from the University of Illinois College of Law in 1998, where he graduated Summa Cum Laude and was a member of the Order of the Coif and the law review.

Armando is admitted to practice in Illinois. He is a past co-chair of the ACIC's Transaction Process Management Committee. Armando also serves as co-chair of the Business Law Committee of the Hispanic Lawyers Association of Illinois and is on the board of HLAI Charities.

**Anthony D. Yager** (*Chapman and Cutler LLP*)



Tony Yager is a partner and the Practice Group Leader of the firm's Corporate Finance Department. Tony's experience primarily includes representation of financial institutions and strategic investors in connection with investing in and restructuring domestic and international direct placements of debt and equity securities in secured and unsecured financings, including merger and acquisition, mezzanine, venture capital, sports finance, real estate, project finance, hedge and equity funds, and general corporate financings. He has also helped organize, represent, and secure funding for start-ups.

Tony serves as an officer and a Trustee of the American College of Investment Counsel (ACIC) and has been the Chairman of the annual Private Placement Industry Forum since 2013.

Tony graduated from the University of Michigan School of Business with a BBA in Accounting with high distinction and graduated from the University of Illinois College of Law with a J.D., Magna Cum Laude.

Tony is also a Registered Certified Public Accountant in the State of Illinois.

**Tina Smith** (*Thrivent Financial for Lutherans*)



Tina Smith currently serves as the Assistant Vice President of the ACIC; she was a Trustee from 2014 to 2017 and the Secretary from 2017-2018. Tina also serves the College as Co-Chair of the Development Committee. In addition, Tina is the current Chair of the Insurance Women’s Investment Network, an organization with a mission to foster relationships among female insurance investment related professionals and to enhance their impact and contributions to the insurance industry.

Tina is Vice President, Deputy General Counsel at Thrivent Financial. She leads and coordinates legal support for the Investment Division, including traditional private placements, private equity, mutual funds, public securities, broker-dealer, transfer agent, real estate, investment operations and investment-related litigation management. In addition, Tina leads and coordinates legal support for Thrivent’s internal Human Resources, Thrivent’s internal mergers & acquisitions function, Thrivent Federal Credit Union, Thrivent Trust Company and Thrivent Independent. Thrivent’s Business Ethics and Legal Support Office also reports to Tina.

Tina graduated summa cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa from Hamline University in 1994 with a BA in Political Science. She earned her JD cum laude from the University of Minnesota Law School in 1997, where she served as an Associate Managing Editor of the *Minnesota Law Review*. Following graduation from law school, Tina clerked for the Hon. Marianne D. Short on the Minnesota Court of Appeals. Tina is admitted to practice in Minnesota and Wisconsin.

**Renee M. Dailey** (*Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP*)



Renée Dailey advises institutional investors in US and cross-border financial restructuring matters. Described in *Legal 500* as a “first-class restructuring lawyer with a strong work ethic” (2015) who is “especially adept at pursuing matters that require persistence and focus,” (2014) Ms. Dailey frequently represents public and private noteholder groups and bank groups in amendment and consent requests, complex out-of-court restructurings, and in-court proceedings in the United States and internationally. Renée also advises clients on their general investment activities and proposed investment structures, with a focus on the mitigation of financial risk. Her experience includes matters across multiple industries including oil and gas, power, engineering and construction, real estate, mining, and retail.

Notably, Renée represented the Ultra Noteholder Group in the Ultra Petroleum bankruptcy in connection with the successful make whole and post-petition judgment of \$400 million. She also represented the Centro Senior Lender Group in an out-of-court debt-for-equity transaction that has been described as a template for future Australian restructurings and has represented private placement investors in multiple Australian restructurings.

Renée is a member of INSOL International, the Insurance Women’s Investment Network, and the American College of Investment Counsel where she is Secretary, Chair of the Development Committee and a member of the Education Committee.

**Christopher S. Dallas** (*Pacific Life Insurance Company*)



Chris Dallas joined Pacific Life Insurance Company's Law Department in 2004. Chris leads the practice group of attorneys and paralegals providing advice on real estate, asset management, private placement, project finance, private equity and other investment transactions. Chris is the secretary of the company's Management Investment Committee, which is responsible for the company's invested assets, including its general account. He is also a member of the company's Workout Committee, which is tasked with optimizing recoveries for distressed assets within the company's investment portfolio. His day-to-day responsibilities include providing legal support to Pacific Life's investment professionals on all types of global private debt and equity transactions, and he also frequently works on strategic corporate transactions.

Prior to joining Pacific Life, Chris was an attorney in the Real Estate department of Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP.

Chris received his J.D., *summa cum laude*, from Pepperdine University School of Law, and his B.A. from the University of California at Santa Barbara.

Chris is the Treasurer and a Trustee of the American College of Investment Counsel, and a member of and past chair of the Investments Section of the Association of Life Insurance Counsel.

**Bryan S. Cho** (*MetLife*)



Bryan Cho is Assistant General Counsel in the Investments section of MetLife's Law Department located in Whippany, New Jersey. Bryan provides legal advice and counsel to MetLife's investment professionals domestically and abroad on a wide range of debt and alternative investments, including infrastructure, project financings, tax credit and leasing transactions, private placements, mezzanine debt and private equity investments.

Prior to joining MetLife, Bryan was an associate at Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP in New York focusing on representing investment banks, financial institutions, sponsors and corporations on a broad array of financing transactions and general corporate matters.

Bryan received his J.D., *magna cum laude*, Order of the Coif, from Boston College Law School where he was an editor of the *Boston College Law Review* and received his B.S. in Policy Analysis and Management from Cornell University.

**Catherine Hood** (*Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP*)



Cathy Hood is a partner in the Corporate & Securities group of Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP, based in the New York office. She represents issuers, underwriters and institutional investors in a wide variety of public and private securities offerings. She has extensive experience in financings for public utility and competitive energy company issuers.

Cathy works on the full range of debt and equity offerings, including offerings of first mortgage and collateral trust bonds, unsecured notes, tax-exempt debt, high-yield debt, hybrid securities, equity units, “green bonds,” capital markets offerings for projects and leases and specialty retail products, as well as traditional common and preferred equity. She also advises borrowers and lenders in commercial lending transactions. She has advised lessees and financial institutions in several leveraged lease transactions involving leases of interests in power plants and associated debt offerings (in traditional private placements, 144A, tax exempt and registered offerings and bank financings). Her practice involves substantial utility mortgage and indenture work, asset-based finance work, general corporate counseling, advice as to disclosure and compliance under the federal securities laws and corporate and financial restructuring advice.

Cathy received her A.B. in Economics, Magna Cum Laude, from Harvard College and her J.D., Cum Laude, from Cornell Law School. She is an American Bar Foundation Fellow and became an ACIC Fellow in 2015.

**Mary Jo Quinn** (*Allstate Investments*)



Mary Jo is a Vice President and Assistant General Counsel at Allstate Insurance Company. She leads the Investment Team in Investments and Business Transactions Law providing legal advice for all investment strategies including structured financings, fund investing, distressed securities, and opportunistic investing. She is passionate about mentoring, serving on Allstate’s Law Department’s Talent Council and the Investment Department’s Training Committee. She is a co-founder of *Leading Investments Women*, a networking women’s group in Allstate’s Investment Department.

Mary Jo is on the Boards of Trustees for the Foundation for the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire and Equip for Equality, an Illinois disability civil rights organization. She leads Allstate’s pro bono collaboration with Cabrini Green in Clemency and Expungment work and the pro bono work with Equip for Equality’s Special Education Helpline. Mary Jo is also a member of the American College of Investment Counsel and sits on its Education Committee.

From 1990 to 1996, Mary Jo worked for the law firm of Jones Day and from 1988 to 1990, for Kutak Rock.

Mary Jo received her B.S. with highest honors from the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire and her J.D., from University of California-Hastings College of Law, where she was a Tony Patino Fellow.