



Board of Directors-2019

Michele Kessler, Chair

Mrs. Kessler is the Co-Founder and Director of the Kessler Family Foundation. She is a member of the Women's Health Leadership Forum at Brigham and Women's Hospital and member of the President's Advisory Board. She is a trustee of the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute and Miami Cancer Institute. She is Co-Chair of the Massachusetts General Hospital's Leadership Council for Psychiatry and the Global Ambassador of the Measles Initiative for the American Red Cross. Mrs. Kessler serves on numerous Boards of Directors including: The United Way of the Town of Palm Beach, the American Ireland Fund, the Preservation Foundation of Palm Beach, the Palm Beach Civic Association, the Palm Beach Police Foundation, the Ayenda Foundation, the Palm Beach Zoo as Chairman of the Board, and the Global Health Advisor Council at Harvard Medical School. Mrs. Kessler was awarded the Distinguished Citizen award by United Way in 2017. She also received the Ellis Island Medal of Honor in 2013. She was honored in 2009 by Massachusetts General Hospital with the Leadership Award by the Chief of Psychiatry and with the 2009 American Red Cross International Leadership Award. In 2007, she received the Women of Distinction Award by Palm Beach Atlantic University.

Laurie Silvers, Immediate Past Chair

Co-CEO, Hollywood.com. She is also the owner of Treasure and Space Coast Broadcasting which operates five radio stations on Florida's treasure coast. Co-founder of the SyFy Channel; Member, Board of Trustees of the University of Miami, Vice-Chair of the Investment Committee and Member of the Executive Committee; Vice Chair, Board of Directors of the Kravis Center for the Performing Arts, 2010; Chair of the Board of Directors of the Economic Council of Palm Beach County; Donor, Duke University's "Rubenstein and Silvers Hillel." Laurie is a long serving Board Member and Volunteer Mentor with the "Women of Tomorrow" program which mentors at-risk high school girls. She is married to Mitchell Rubenstein and has three children.



Dolores Sukhdeo, President & CEO *(Ex-Officio)*

President & CEO of South Florida PBS and its affiliates. Former Executive VP & COO, Station Manager and Vice President for Facilities Services. She began her television career in 1990 at the international newsgathering division of Disney/ABC News Inc. - Worldwide Television News in New York, NY, where she worked her way through the ranks from Sales Assistant to Regional Executive for the USA & Latin America. Bachelor of Arts Degree in Spanish Literature from Columbia University and Master's in Business Administration from the University of Miami. She is President for FPBS, the Association of Public Television and Radio Stations in Florida. Immediate Past President of the International Women's Forum of Florida. She has served on the Professional Leadership Council for FIU's School of Journalism & Mass Communications and other nonprofits advisory councils.

Peter L. Bermont, Chair-Elect

Managing Director of the Bermont Advisory Group, a nationally recognized investment advisory firm. He was a founder and first chairman of the Miami Bond Club, a founder and vice chair of the Bank of Coral Gables and a founder and director of Equinox Bank Corp. President of Franmar Corporation; past chairman of the boards of Miami Children's Hospital, Ransom Everglades School and Riviera Country Club. He is a current board member and past president of Temple Israel. He currently serves on the boards of United Way and the Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Miami. A graduate of Texas Christian University School of Business where he serves on the board of trustees. He is also a member of the Chancellor's Council and a Centurion of the Addison and Randolph Clark Society. Mr. Bermont and his wife Kerrin live in Coconut Grove. They are the proud parents of four children and five granddaughters.



Thomasina “Tommie” Caporella, Vice Chair

Mrs. Caporella grew up in the rural town of Uniontown, Pennsylvania where she first became involved with the American Red Cross after an 8th grade field trip to their local chapter. After raising her family, Mrs. Caporella turned her energy into helping the Broward County Chapter of the Red Cross and has been actively involved as a volunteer since 1984. She was Chairman of the 1991-92 board during the first Gulf War and founder of the Angels of the American Red Cross, Broward Chapter, which was their fundraising arm between 1991 and 2006. She currently serves on American Red Cross, Broward Chapter Board of Directors and is past Chair of the Philanthropy Committee. She was an original board member for WXEL when Barry University purchased the station. She is a past recipient of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation Women of Distinction Award and the Philharmonic Society’s Women of Substance and Style. She is the owner of Thomasina Caporella Racing Stables and is a breeder and owner of thoroughbred horses. She holds an RN degree and is a licensed pilot with a jet rating. She is married with four children, 15 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild.

Mark W. Cook, Vice Chair

Mr. Cook is currently president of Royal Palm Management, a commercial property management firm in Palm Beach. He was born in Memphis, TN. After graduating from the Woodberry Forest School and Vanderbilt University, he began his business career at Presidential Bank in Sarasota, and later joined his father, Edward, in business in Palm Beach. Mark serves on the boards of Hospice Foundation of Palm Beach, Hospice of Palm Beach County Foundation, Town of Palm Beach United Way, Max Planck Florida Foundation and the Rehabilitation Center for Children and Adults.



Sandy Batchelor

Chairman of the Board and co-CEO of The Batchelor Foundation, Inc. Received a Bachelor of Science in Wildlife Biology from the University of Arizona, a Master's in Forest Resources and Conservation from the University of Florida, J.D. from St. Thomas University of Law, and an LLM in Estate Tax Planning from the University of Miami School of Law. She is a member of various charitable boards in Miami-Dade County devoted to environmental conservation or the well-being of children, including the Humane Society of Greater Miami, Zoo Miami Foundation, as well as Advisory boards of FIU's CASE and UM's RSMAS.

Fred Berens

Managing Director – Investments, Wells Fargo Advisors, MBA, Finance, University of Miami. Current member, Board of Trustees, University of Miami; Member, Orange Bowl Committee; Member, Dade County Health Facilities Authority; Vice Chair, PBS Foundation.

Irving Bolotin

Mr. Bolotin is a Director of Lennar Corporation, having retired from Lennar as Senior Vice President in 1998. He has served as an ad hoc member of the construction committee of the Performing Arts Center Trust. He lives in Coral Gables with his wife, Joan, a retired attorney. Mr. & Mrs. Bolotin are long-time major donors of South Florida PBS.

Paul J. DiMare, Sr.

President of seven family-owned companies. Georgetown University, Washington, D.C., New Prep, Cambridge, MA. Board of Directors, American Red Cross of Greater Miami & The Keys; Board of Trustees, University of Miami; Past Chairman, Florida Tomato Exchange; Dade County Farm Bureau; Founder, The Paul J. DiMare Foundation; Board of Directors - Miami Museum of Science, Community Partnership for Homeless, Camillus House, Jackson Memorial Foundation, The Buoniconti Fund, and South Shore Hospital Foundation. Honors received: Miami Living Legend, *Miami Times* (2013); One in Charity Award, Archbishop's Charity and Development Drive (2013); Lifetime Achievement Award, Southeast Produce Council (2012); Humanitarian of the Year, Voices for Children (2012), just to name a few. Mr. DiMare resides in Coral Gables with his wife, Swanee and has five adult children.



Margaret Eidson

Retired faculty member of the University of Miami School of Medicine, joining the school in 1972. For 20 years, Margaret was also Regional Director of the State of Florida Children's Medical Services' Pediatric Endocrine/Diabetes Program. She has served on an advisory panel for Kristi House and on the President's Council of the University of Miami. Margaret is now a member of the Board of Governors of Miami City Ballet. She received her medical degree from the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine. Maggie is married to Lewis "Mike" Edison, a partner in the law firm Colson, Hicks, Eidson.

George T. Elmore

Founder and President of HARDRIVES, INC., Past President and Director of Florida East Coast Chapter of Associated General Contractors of America, Past President of FAU Foundation, Crisis Line Information & Referral Services, Inc. Past Chairman of Economic Council of Palm Beach County, Criminal Justice Commission and Business Development Board. Currently serving as a Director of Boy Scouts of America, Kravis Center, Palm Beach State College Foundation, CareerSource, Max Planck Florida Institute, Dreyfoos School of the Arts Foundation, and Trustee, Baptist/Bethesda Health.

Harvey A. Goldman

Received B.A. from University of Virginia (with Distinction) 1967; J.D., 1970 (Law review). Member of the American, Florida, and Dade County Bar Associations. Positions held previously include Partner, Holland & Knight, LLP; Partner, Steel Hector & Davis LLP; Partner, Greenberg, Traurig; Senior Vice President, Southeast Bank, N.A.; and Managing Director, Coopers & Lybrand. Previously Chairman of the Board of the American Heart Association; board member and Vice President of the Miami City Ballet; and board member of the Coconut Grove Theatre. Former Adjunct Professor, University of Miami School of Law.



David L. Jaffe, Ph.D.

Dr. Jaffe is Dean of the College of Communication and Design at Lynn University. He has extensive experience in the fields of radio, television and film, as well as emerging media technologies. After an early career in broadcast journalism, he remained active in both radio and television while teaching full-time at the University of Oklahoma by hosting a daily radio talk show for Clear Channel and a weekly public television news interview program. Other television activities included establishing the first cable television origination station in both the U.S. and the Middle East. For the last two decades he has focused on the development of internet and mobile media services. He is the recipient of the President's Innovation Award and is Professor Emeritus of journalism and mass communication at the University of Oklahoma.

Leonard Klorfine

The Klorfines are well known for their generous philanthropic giving in Florida, Philadelphia and the Pacific Northwest, through the Leonard and Norma Klorfine Foundation, founded in 1994. The Foundation's mission is to collaborate with environmental, educational, medical research and arts and cultural institutions through a venture philanthropy approach to funding. Mr. and Mrs. Klorfine are Kravis Center Founder members and honored members of the Helen K. Persson Society for their significant gift to the Center's Permanently Restricted Endowment Fund. Mr. and Mrs. Klorfine have been deeply involved with the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Center; Virginia Mason Medical Center; Benaroya Research Institute; as well as the Pilchuck Glass School. They have endowed a chair for clinical research at Fred Hutchinson Cancer Center, currently being held by the Service Director of Cellular Immunotherapy, Bezos Family Immunotherapy Clinic. Mr. Klorfine graduated from Temple University with a B.S. Ed. in economics before attending the University of Pennsylvania and Temple University Graduate School. Mr. Klorfine worked as a secondary school teacher for five years in Philadelphia before becoming a stockbroker for Merrill Lynch. While a broker, he co-founded a company that developed the first electronic stock ticker and retrieval system and the first electronic display ticker system. Mr. Klorfine has also been involved in successful real estate investment businesses. He is the past president of the Delaware County Apartment Owners Association and has served on the boards of the Main Line Arts Center and Woodmere Art Museum, as well as the boards of the Pilchuck School, Pratt Fine Arts Center, Artist Trust and the Museum of Glass. In addition to the Eye Institute Community Action Board, he currently serves on the advisory board of Scripps Research Institute in Jupiter, Florida.



Ellen F. Liman

Ms. Liman, a painter, writer and Palm Beach resident, owns the Liman Gallery of Palm Beach and has a studio in West Palm Beach. In New York, under Mayors Koch and Dinkins, she was executive director then a member of NYC Advisory Commission for Cultural Affairs and served as its chair (1991-93). She was a founding trustee of the International Center of Photography and is currently a Life Trustee of the Jewish Museum. Ms. Liman was a member of the Mayor's Committee for New York City, appointed by Mayor Bloomberg, and a past board member of many NYC cultural organizations. In Palm Beach, she is a director of The Palm Beach Civic Association, a board member of Palm Beach United Way, a member of The Society of the Four Arts, and a supporter of several Palm Beach area cultural/ educational organizations. The author of seven books on interior design and collecting, Ms. Liman received a BA in art history from Barnard College and is the president of The Liman Foundation. Her husband, Arthur L. Liman, is deceased.

Susan M. Mansolillo

Susan was named Vice President, Human Resources and Communications at Community Care Plan in 2014 and was promoted to the position of Vice President, Chief Human Resources Officer in 2016. Prior to joining CCP, she held Human Resources management positions at Tyco Integrated Security, LLC, Boca Raton, FL; ADT Security Services, Inc., Boca Raton, FL; Tenet Florida Health System, Fort Lauderdale, FL; and Burger King Corporation, Miami, FL. Committed to giving back to her community, Susan volunteers for the Archdiocese of South Florida and serves as co-chairperson of the Annual Non-Profit Awards sponsored by 2-1-1 Broward. She received a B.S. Degree from Barry University, Miami, FL; a Paralegal Certification from University of Miami; an Employee Relations Law Certification from the Institute for Implied Management and Law; and a Certification in Advanced Human Resources Management from the Society for Human Resources Management (SHRM).



Nicholas Perricone, M.D.

Dr. Nicholas Perricone is a physician, author, scientist, educator, and an award-winning inventor. He has been issued 161 patents worldwide and has dozens of pending applications in the diverse areas of medicine, pharmacology and aerospace, and is the recipient of the Eli Whitney Intellectual Property Award. He is creator and host of a series of Public Television Specials and the author of several *New York Times* Best Sellers including *The Wrinkle Cure*, *The Perricone Prescription*, *The Perricone Promise* and *Forever Young*. He is certified by the American Board of Dermatology, is a Fellow of the New York Academy of Sciences and a Fellow of the American College of Nutrition. He is also a Fellow of the American Academy of Dermatology. Dr. Perricone is adjunct professor of medicine at the Michigan State University College of Medicine and has served as Assistant Clinical Professor of Dermatology at Yale School of Medicine.

David C. Prather, Esq.

Partner, law firm of Clark, Fountain, LaVista, Prather, Keen & Littky-Rubin located in West Palm Beach. David specializes in the areas of personal injury, medical malpractice and products liability litigation. He received his Juris Doctor degree from Rutgers University Law School in 1990. He also received his B.A. with honors, from Hunter College of the City University of New York in 1987. Awards and honors include: AV[®] Preeminent[™] Peer Review RatedSM by Martindale- Hubbell,[®] Best Lawyers in America— Personal Injury Litigation since 2006, Florida Super Lawyers – Top 5% of Attorneys in Florida, ICABA – named one of South Florida’s 100 most accomplished black professionals in law and healthcare South Florida Legal Guide – Top Lawyers in Civil Litigation, Professional memberships include: Fellow International Academy of Trial Lawyers, Florida Bar, Board of Governors (2007-2016); Florida Supreme Court Historical Society; Federal Judicial Nominating Commission; American Board of Trial Advocates – ABOTA; Palm Beach County Bar Association, (Past Officer); Palm Beach County Justice Association, (Past President).



Charles M. Tatelbaum

Mr. Tatelbaum joined Tripp Scott in March 2014 to chair the creditors' rights and bankruptcy practice. Prior to that time, Mr. Tatelbaum was a partner at Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP, and previously a partner in Yoss LLP's Ft. Lauderdale office and chair of the Yoss Creditors' Rights, Bankruptcy and Secured Transactions Practice Group. Mr. Tatelbaum graduated from the University of Maryland School of Law, 1966; Member, Editorial Board, Maryland Law Review (1965-1966); Vice President, Student Bar Association (1965-1966); B.A., University of Maryland, 1963. Mr. Tatelbaum has been named to multiple editions of "The Best Lawyers in America," was named "Most Effective Lawyer in Bankruptcy" in 2007 by the *Miami Business Review* and was named to the Super Lawyers list by *Super Lawyers* magazine (Florida edition, 2006). In 2014, Mr. Tatelbaum was named as the Attorney of The Year in bankruptcy law as part of the first annual Leaders in Law or Award for South Florida. In December 2016, Mr. Tatelbaum was named the Most Effective Bankruptcy Lawyer in South Florida by the *South Florida Daily Business Review*. In March 2018, the South Florida Daily Business Review named Mr. Tatelbaum as an honoree of the annual Distinguished Leader in the Law Award. Mr. Tatelbaum was awarded the Arts Hero Award by the Arts Council of Miami/Miami Beach in 2012. Mr. Tatelbaum served for two years as chair of the Board of Directors for Friends of WLRN, the National Public Radio and PBS affiliates for South Florida while serving on its board for eight years and its treasurer for one year. He is a member of the Board of Visitors of the Francis King Carey School of Law at the University of Maryland, where he also serves as chair of the Maryland Law School Club. Mr. Tatelbaum is a past member of the Board of Directors and former treasurer for Temple Bat Yam; a Board member, Development Committee Chair and Board Chair of Hispanic Unity of Florida, Inc.; member of the Association of Former Intelligence Officers; past President of the Caya Costa Homeowners Association; served as a Board member and then as pro bono legal counsel for the Rio Vista civic Association; member of the City of Fort Lauderdale Fire- Rescue Facilities Bond Issue Blue Ribbon Committee; Board member of the Florida Center for Investigative Reporting. In May 2017, Mr. Tatelbaum joined Nova Southeastern University's Levan Ambassadors Board. Chuck and his wife are 2011 graduates of Clown U, sponsored by the Big Apple Circus. Mr. Tatelbaum has participated every year as a clown in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York from 2011 to the present.



Kathryn C. Vecellio

Kathryn Vecellio, a resident of Palm Beach County for 40 years, has been an organizer, fundraiser, development volunteer and philanthropist for many community, charitable and educational organizations in Palm Beach County and throughout the country. She has served on a myriad of boards and advisory committees due to her commitment to many charitable causes. Mrs. Vecellio is the Founding Member of the Palm Beach Heart Association Founder's Circle and serves as a member of the American Heart Association Palm Beach County Market Board of Directors. Mrs. Vecellio has served on the boards of the Harvard Affiliate-Schepens Eye Research Institute for 25 years, the National Leukemia-Lymphoma Society, Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmiry, the Kravis Center for the Performing Arts, Palm Beach United Way, Cleveland Clinic's Health and Wellness Center Board. She is also a Vice President of the Vecellio Group and serves as a Vice Chairman of the Vecellio Family Foundation. Previously, Kathryn served as a trustee for the boards of Palm Beach Atlantic University, the Benjamin School, Norton Museum of Art, Center for Children in Crisis, Center for Family Services and the Guestetti Palm Beach Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution Foundation. She also served as Regent of Palm Beach Chapter DAR, State Organizing Secretary for the Florida State Society DAR and as vice chair for 15 years of the National Development Committee for DAR as well as President of the Junior League of the Palm Beaches, Inc. With a lifetime of work volunteering and over 40 years of community service in Palm Beach County, Mrs. Vecellio's honors and distinctions are numerous and include: Palm Beach Atlantic University's "Women of Distinction Award", Executive Women of the Palm Beaches' "Women in Leadership Award", Gov. Lawton Chiles' "Florida's Finest Award for Community Service", Cleveland Clinic's "Sydell Miller Award", the Girl Scouts of Southeast Florida's "Lifetime Achievement Award for Philanthropy", WVU's School of Human Services and Education Hall of Fame, the Association of Fund-raising Professionals "Outstanding Volunteer Fund Raiser Award", and WVU President's Honorary Doctorate Degree, to name but a few. Throughout the years, successful fundraising has been a constant for Mrs. Vecellio as she served as chairman or co-chairman of the following: 58th International Red Cross Ball; 60th Palm Beach Heart Ball; South Florida Science Museum's Diamond Constellation Balls; the Norton Museum of Art Gala; numerous Kravis Center for Performing Arts Galas; Schepens Eye Research Institute's Retina Gala as well as 30+ years of Schepens' Palm Beach "Vision of Beauty" Luncheons and Symposia Series; Center for Children in Crisis' Celebrity Chefs and the Salvation Army Gala. Mrs. Vecellio and her husband, Leo, have been married for 43 years and have two sons, two daughters-in-law and five grandchildren all of whom are Palm Beach County residents.



George W. Weaver

Chairman of the Board, Rauch, Weaver, Norfleet, Kurtz & Co.; General Partner, Boywic Farms, Ltd.; Trustee, the Emil Buehler Perpetual Trust; Secretary, Broward Realty Corporation; President, Buehler Aviation Research Foundation, Inc. Member, Broward Sheriff's Advisory Council, Inc. B.S. University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.

Michael J. Zinner, M.D.

Michael J. Zinner, M.D., is a cancer surgeon and researcher. He is the Founding CEO and Executive Medical Director of Miami Cancer Institute at Baptist Health South Florida. An expert in pancreatic-hepatobiliary diseases, Dr. Zinner comes to Miami Cancer Institute, after 22 years at Harvard's Dana-Farber/Brigham and Women's Cancer Center in Boston, where he was Clinical Director and Surgeon-in-Chief at the Brigham and Women's Hospital. He is also the Moseley Professor of Surgery, Emeritus at Harvard Medical School and founder of Harvard's Center for Surgery and Public Health. The author of more than 230 academic papers, he is a member of the editorial boards of several professional surgical journals. From 2008 to 2010, Dr. Zinner served as Chairman of the Board of Governors of the American College of Surgeons (ACS), which has more than 80,000 members. From October 2016-2017, he was named Chairman of the Board of Regents of the College. Throughout his distinguished career, Dr. Zinner has been widely recognized for his extraordinary clinical accomplishments, his contributions to cancer treatment and research and his mentorship to students, physicians and researchers worldwide. A Miami native, Dr. Zinner received his M.D. degree from the University of Florida and was trained in his surgical residencies at The Johns Hopkins Medical Institutes in Baltimore.