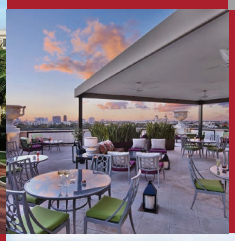
Conference Program



ARIAS•U.S. 2019 Spring Conference
May 8-10, 2019
The Breakers Palm Beach

ARIAS U.S.

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Welcome from the Conference Program Co-Chairs

Dear Colleagues:

Thank you for joining us for the 2019 ARIAS•U.S. Spring Conference. Throughout the conference, we will enjoy stimulating discussions, network with industry colleagues and fun in the sun (we hope).

This Spring Conference will focus on the impact of changes in the legal, technological and business environments on reinsurance arbitration. The sessions will cover topics of value to arbitrators, businesspeople and lawyers. Among the sessions planned are:

Reinsurance for cannabis-related business. The conference will begin on a "high note," as an expert panel explores the risks and rewards presented by the cannabis industry. Businesses are rushing to exploit the huge market for cannabis as states legalize this plant-based drug. Insurance and reinsurance issues will inevitably follow. The panel will discuss both opportunities and risks.

Artificial intelligence and its potential repercussions. Companies from Silicon Valley to China are racing to perfect artificial intelligence. This panel will help the uninitiated understand what artificial intelligence is and how it will affect the insurance and reinsurance business (both as an insurance risk and as a business tool).

Catastrophic loss and the regulatory response. What happens when regulators get involved with insurers' responses to catastrophes? A panel of claims experts, lawyers and regulators will explore the issues – and their reinsurance implications.

Implications of alternative capital. Traditional insurance and reinsurance markets face increasing competition from alternative capital, ranging from cat bonds to parametric insurance. Arbitrators, lawyers and claims professionals need to keep up with the changing market – and its implications for reinsurance arbitration.

Unconscious bias. No matter how hard we try to be fair, we are all subject to unconscious biases. This session will discuss sources of unconscious bias; how unconscious biases can affect the decisions of arbitrators, parties and counsel; and strategies for becoming aware of these impediments to sound decision making.

Legal developments in arbitrability. The Supreme Court and the lower courts continue to decide issues related to arbitration at a surprisingly rapid pace. Arbitrators, lawyers and companies need to understand the latest developments. This panel will help them keep up to date.

Other general and breakout sessions will explore issues such as the following:

- statutes that revive otherwise time-barred sexual abuse claims;
- the insurance and reinsurance implications of hacking;
- the impact of restructuring on dispute resolution;
- expert witness issues;
- qualification as an arbitrator in life reinsurance disputes; and
- ethics.

Of course, the conference is not all business. Each evening will feature a networking reception and the chance to catch up with old friends and make new ones. In keeping with ARIAS tradition, Thursday afternoon will be open for golf, tennis and other activities.

As always, the conference will be conducted in accordance with the ARIAS•U.S. Antitrust Policy, which is available in the ***About ARIAS*** section of the website, at www. ARIAS•us.org.

Sincerely,

Program Co-Chairs:

Steven C. Schwartz
Chaffetz Lindsey LLP

Kathleen Karnell
Transatlantic Reinsurance Co.

Brian Jones
Swiss Re America

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General Information

Welcome to the 2019 ARIAS•U.S. Spring Conference!

ATTIRE – The general dress code for the conference is "business casual." This means that while speakers and panel members may be in business professional attire with a tie or suit jacket, it is not a requirement for attendees. Usually at these conferences, attendees will dress up a bit more for the evening receptions.

BADGES – Conference badges will be issued to all attendees. Please wear your badge at all times to access all conference functions.

SESSION MATERIALS – For conference attendees, session materials are available on the ARIAS•U.S. website.

CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION – Continuing legal education credits will be awarded for New York, Illinois and Pennsylvania. Sign-in and sign-out sheets are for attorneys who wish to receive CLE Credit. Certificates of attendance will be based solely upon these sheets. You must sign in and out to receive credit. There will be sign-in and out sheets on tables outside the General Session, next to Registration. The sign-in and out sheets for the Thursday Breakout Sessions will be on tables near each room, and signage will be displayed clearly for each session. Make sure you sign in and out of the various sessions with the time you arrive and the time you leave in order to receive full credit. Certificates of attendance will be sent via email to everyone who has signed in and out. This is required by the New York State CLE Board.

ARIAS•U.S. CERTIFICATION – Participants receiving credit for ARIAS•U.S. Certification does not have to sign in and out and will not be provided with a certificate of completion. Participants, however, must be in the training session and not in the hallways. This is a directive from the ARIAS•U.S. Board of Directors.

OBTAINING CREDIT FOR THE CONFERENCE – You will not receive full credit for a session if you are standing in the hallways or arrive late or leave early. The training is taking place in the session rooms; you must be inside. This is true both for CLE training and for ARIAS•U.S. Certification credit.

OPINIONS AND COMMENTS – Opinions and comments expressed in the enclosed materials and during the conference sessions are not necessarily those of ARIAS•U.S., the firms or companies with which the speakers are associated, or even the speakers themselves. Some arguments are made in the context of fictitious disputes to illustrate methods of handling issues; others are individual opinions about the handling of an issue. Every dispute or matter presents its own circumstances that provide the context for decisions.

Finally, please note that this conference will be conducted in accordance with the ARIAS•U.S. Antitrust Policy, which is enclosed and is also available in the About ARIAS•U.S. section of the website (www.ARIAS•us.org). We hope you enjoy the conference!

Wednesday, May 8

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Women's Paint and Pour Networking Event

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Start with a blank canvas, add a little bubbly and your favorite female colleagues, and leave with your own masterpiece at the end of a fun-filled event or auction it off to the highest bidder at the evening reception! (Proceeds will go to a local charity.) No artistic abilities are required; a talented instructor will guide attendees step-by-step through the painting of the night. Bring out the artist in ARIAS! *Separate registration required.*

11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

REGISTRATION

South Loggia Foyer East

11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

OPENING LUNCH

Mediterranean Ballroom

1:00 p.m. – 1:05 p.m.

Welcome from the Chairman

Venetian Ballroom

Scott P. Birrell, VP and Associate Group General Counsel, Travelers

1:05 p.m. – 1:10 p.m.

Welcome from the Conference Co-chairs

Venetian Ballroom

Brian Jones, Managing Director, Swiss Re
Kathleen Karnell, VP, Transatlantic Reinsurance Co.
Steven C. Schwartz, Partner, Chaffetz Lindsey LLP

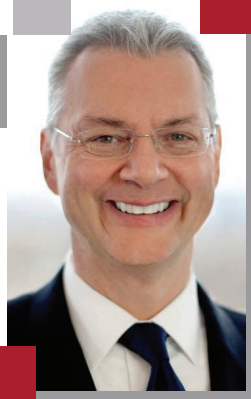
1:10 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Opening Keynote: U.S. P&C Value Creators: Implications and Imperatives

Venetian Ballroom

Bill Pieroni, CEO and President, ACORD

keynote



William Pieroni
President & CEO, ACORD

William Pieroni is President and CEO of ACORD. Prior to his appointment in 2016, Mr. Pieroni served as the Global COO of Marsh and was responsible for the firm's global operations. Additionally, he was the CTO across the Risk and Insurance Segment. Prior to joining Marsh, Mr. Pieroni was SVP in the Office of the Chairman at State Farm. Prior to that, he served as Aon's Global CIO with responsibility for operations across retail, wholesale and reinsurance brokerage. His extensive insurance and financial services background also includes GM of IBM's insurance business, a partner at Accenture and consultant with McKinsey & Company. Mr. Pieroni earned his Bachelor of Science in accounting with University Honors & Distinction from the University of Illinois. He also received his M.B.A. with Highest Distinction, and was named a Baker Scholar from Harvard University School of Business Administration.

2:00 p.m. – 2:50 p.m.

Reinsurance for Cannabis-Related Business: A Business Opportunity, or Risk?

Venetian Ballroom

Brokers and insurers believe that cannabis-related business presents a major opportunity for the insurance industry, at least in states where marijuana is legal. This session will explore whether this is also a business opportunity for reinsurers and the potential risks of such business in light of the conflict between federal law and state laws concerning the legality of marijuana.

Moderator: Eridania Perez, Partner, Squire Patton Boggs (US) LLP

Panel: Gabriel Colwell, Partner, Squire Patton Boggs (US) LLP

John Emelo, SVP, Treaty/Program Casualty Underwriter, Munich Re

Geoffrey D.K. Lubert, Executive Vice President and Managing Director, Willis Re Canada

2:50 p.m. – 3:20 p.m.

REFRESHMENT BREAK

Mediterranean Ballroom

3:20 p.m. – 4:10 p.m.

The Intersection between Catastrophic Loss and the Regulatory Response

Venetian Ballroom

Recent record-setting catastrophic events have visited terrible personal losses on consumers and put financial pressure on (re)insurers. Regulators are also under pressure to ensure a robust and competitive insurance market while maintaining protections for the insurance-buying public, especially after headline losses. This session will explore the ground between these groups and how disputes might arise in the context of their interaction after an event.

Moderator: Anne Wilson, VP, Swiss Re

Panel: Jay Brown,General Counsel Corporate Solutions, Swiss Re

Melissa Burt DeVriese, Chief Administrative Officer and General Counsel, Security First Insurance Company

John M. Huff, President and CEO, Association of Bermuda Insurers & Reinsurers

Steven C. Schwartz, Partner, Chaffetz Lindsey LLP

4:10 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Alternative Capital Mechanisms and Implications for the Insurance/ Reinsurance Marketplace and for Dispute Resolution

Venetian Ballroom

Insurance-linked securities and other related vehicles have become a popular form of alternative risk transfer, often offered by non-traditional players. Come join a session where we explore the reasons why alternative capital has grown in the global marketplace and what its presence means for insurers and reinsurers in terms of traditional markets and in terms of disputes.

Moderator: Brian Jones, Managing Director, Swiss Re

Panel: David Attisani, Partner, Choate, Hall & Stewart LLP

Germante Boncaldo, Head of Business Development, Swiss Re

Deidre Derrig, Special Reinsurance Counsel, Willkie Farr & Gallagher LLP

6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

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Thursday, May 9

6:00 a.m. – 7:00 a.m.

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7:20 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

REGISTRATION

South Loggia Foyer East

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

BREAKFAST

Mediterranean Ballroom

8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

ARIAS•U.S. Committee Meetings

8:40 a.m. – 9:40 a.m.

Unconscious Biases: The Uninvited Arbitration Guests

Venetian Ballroom

It has been said that, if you have a brain, you are biased. Join us to explore how to recognize your own unconscious biases and to expand your understanding of the impact of those biases, special attention will be given to how those biases may influence the decision making of counsel, parties, and arbitrators alike.
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Panel: *Ann L. Field, SVP, Willis Re*
Sarah D. Gordon, Partner, Steptoe & Johnson LLP
Stacey L. Schwartz, SVP, Swiss Re (US)

9:40 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Organizational Updates and Committee Reports

Venetian Ballroom

10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

REFRESHMENT BREAK

Mediterranean Ballroom

10:30 a.m. - 11:20 a.m. **Breakout Sessions Roundtable Discussions: Round 1**

Room assignments will be provided onsite based on preferences provided during registration.

1. **Developments in Reviver Statute Legislation - How Wide Open is the Door?**

   Robert DiUbaldo, Shareholder, Carlton Fields Jorden Burt

2. **Impact of Regulatory Restructuring Mechanisms on Contractual Dispute Resolution Procedures**

   Andrew Rothseid, Principal, RunOff Re.Solve LLC
   Stephen Schwab, Partner, DLA Piper LLP (US)

3. **Do I Qualify? Navigating the Life Requirement in Arbitration Clause**

   Suman Chakraborty, Partner, Squire Patton Boggs (US) LLP
   Susan E. Mack, Partner, Adams & Reese LLP
   David Thirkill, ARIAS•U.S. Certified Arbitrator and Umpire, The Thirkill Group

4. **Revisiting the Use of Experts in Arbitration**

   Donald Frechette, Partner, Locke Lord LLP
   Peter Gentile, ARIAS•U.S. Certified Arbitrator
   Cynthia R. Koehler, Head of Casualty Claims, AIG
   Andrew Maneval, President, Chesham Consulting, LLC

5. **Hacking Privileged and Confidential Information**

   Robert J. Bates, Jr., Founding Partner, BatesCarey, LLP
   Armel Francisco, Director - Global Information Technology Programs, Swiss Re
   Brian Jones, Managing Director, Swiss Re
   Cia Moss, Partner, Chaffetz Lindsey LLP

11:30 a.m. - 12:20 p.m. **Breakout Sessions Roundtable Discussions: Round 2**

Room assignments will be provided onsite based on preferences provided during registration.

All Sessions and locations repeated from previous round.

12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. **LUNCH**

Ocean Lawn

1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. **Golf Tournament/Recreational Activities**

1:00 p.m.–6:00p.m. — Golf: *Rees Jones Golf Course*
2:00p.m.–4:00p.m. — Recreational Activities: *Front Lawn*

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6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. **COCKTAIL RECEPTION**

Mediterranean Courtyard

Friday, May 10

7:15 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

BREAKFAST

Mediterranean Ballroom

8:30 a.m. – 9:20 a.m.

Rapid Fire Session - Arbitrability: The Power of Arbitrators to Determine Gateway Issues

Venetian Ballroom

On January 8, 2019, the U.S. Supreme Court issued a unanimous opinion in *Henry Schein v. Archer & White Sales, Inc.* holding that where a contract delegates the question of arbitrability to the arbitrators, a court may not override the contract on the grounds that the arbitrability claim is "wholly groundless." Other courts have taken a different approach: declaring arbitration provisions void in states that prohibit arbitration clauses in insurance contracts. During this presentation, we will delve into questions of arbitrability and the implications that case law will have on the power of arbitration panels presiding over insurance/reinsurance arbitrations to determine "gateway" issues. We will also explore how the wording of arbitration provisions in insurance/reinsurance contracts influences not only the "gateway" issues, but whether, in fact, the dispute is arbitrable. We look forward to audience participation in furthering this important discussion.

Moderator: Michele Jacobson, Partner, Stroock & Stroock & Lavan LLP

Panel: Robert M. Hall, Esq., ARIAS•U.S. Certified Arbitrator and Umpire, Hall Arbitrations

Michael Kuehn, Esq., Reinsurance Counsel, Riverstone Resources LLC

Patricia Taylor Fox, Esq., Deputy General Counsel Reinsurance, AIG

David Thirkill, ARIAS•U.S. Certified Arbitrator and Umpire, The Thirkill Group

John R. Vales, Partner, Dentons US LLP

9:20 a.m. – 10:10 a.m.

Legal and Regulatory Implications of Artificial Intelligence (AI)

Venetian Ballroom

Artificial intelligence (AI) is a transformative technology that will help businesses revolutionize both our economy and our lives. But to embrace the benefits of AI, it is important to recognize AI's current limitations, the challenges it poses to risk and legal liability, and its impact on regulatory compliance.

Moderator: Debra J. Hall, Principal, Hall Arbitrations

Panel: Anthony Lombardo, Co-Founder/Owner, SagePoint Solutions Group LLC

Daniel Tobey, Partner, DLA Piper LLP

10:10 a.m. – 10:40 a.m.

REFRESHMENT BREAK

Mediterranean Ballroom

10:40 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

When the Walls Come a Crumblin' Down: Current Issues in Determining Reinsurance Liability in Construction Defect Cases

Venetian Ballroom

Disputes in construction defect cases present unique challenges to arbitrators, lawyers and (re)insurers. Come join us for a session where we explore these challenges through the lens of skilled practitioners.

Moderator: J.P. Jaillet, Partner, Insurance & Reinsurance, Choate, Hall & Stewart LLP

Panel: Susan E. Grondine-Dauwer, ARIAS•U.S. Certified Arbitrator, SEG-D Consulting, LLC

Thomas V. O'Kane, VP, Munich Re

Constance O'Mara, ARIAS•U.S. Certified Arbitrator, O'Mara Consulting LLC

Christine Russell, SVP Reinsurance, Brandywine Holdings Group

11:30 a.m. – 12:20 p.m.

Ask the Experts: Ethics Session

Venetian Ballroom

Ask the Experts is a session designed to address and provide guidance on some of the thornier ethical issues that we all face in the world of arbitration. The experts will address numerous hypotheticals and provide answers to the following: What should someone do in this situation? Does the ARIAS•U.S. Code of Ethics provide guidance? Are there any court decisions? What do other people do in this situation?

Moderator: Alysa Wakin, VP & Claims Counsel, Odyssey Reinsurance Company

Panel: Deirdre G. Johnson, Partner, Squire Patton Boggs (US) LLP

Beth Levene, EVP and Chief Claims Officer, Transatlantic Reinsurance Co.

W. Mark Wigmore, ARIAS•U.S. Certified Arbitrator and Umpire, Avalon Consulting, LLC

12:20 p.m. – 12:25 p.m.

Closing Remarks

Michael A. Frantz, ARIAS•U.S. President

SVP and Claim Department Manager, Munich Re America

NYS CLE Credit: Ten hours of Continuing Legal Education credits are available to those who attend this conference, which breaks down as follows: 1.0 CLE credits for Ethics, 1.0 CLE credits for Diversity, Inclusion and Elimination of Bias, 8 CLE credits for Areas of Professional Practice. This program is structured for both newly-admitted attorneys and experienced attorneys. Sign-in and sign-out sheets will verify attendance at all sessions and will be the basis upon which certificates of attendance will be prepared and sent, but certification of completed credit hours to CLE Boards is the responsibility of each attorney.

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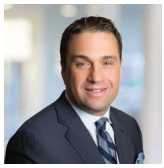


David Attisani
Partner, Choate, Hall & Stewart LLP

David Attisani is a partner in Choate's ReInsurance Group, co-chairman of the ABA's Reinsurance Subcommittee, and a member of the ARIAS•U.S. Education Committee (2013-present).

Mr. Attisani was named one of Law360's "10 Most Admired Insurance Attorneys in America" for 2010—out of 1,016 nominations from 100 firms. He was also the first-ever Boston-area attorney to be recognized in the Chambers USA nationwide rankings for ReInsurance (2014-2018). He is one of twelve reinsurance lawyers listed in the 2016 and 2017 Legal 500's elite "Leading Lawyers" category. He was named to the inaugural Legal 500 Hall of Fame, which recognizes elite leading lawyers -- one of 455 partners in the U.S. selected for this honor. Mr. Attisani was also elected to Best of the Best USA (2009-2014) in Re/Insurance, which recognizes only thirty U.S. industry professionals. He is No. 3 on the 2018 Who's Who Legal: "Thought Leaders" list of most highly regarded individuals in Re/Insurance law. In 2016, Mr. Attisani was one of only 5 U.S. reinsurance lawyers to be named "Most Highly Regarded" in the 13th edition of Who's Who Legal: Insurance & Reinsurance (one of 15 in the world). Finally, he was elected to the World's Leading Insurance and Reinsurance Lawyers (2006-2018) and Best Lawyers in America (2012-2018).

David graduated magna cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa, from Williams College and cum laude from Harvard Law School. He also studied English literature at Oxford University. Before starting his practice, David served as a law clerk in the US District Court for the SDNY and, later, as a District Attorney in Boston, Massachusetts, where he tried 19 cases to verdict.

Robert J. Bates, Jr.
Founding Partner, BatesCarey LLP

Robert J. Bates, Jr. is a founding partner of BatesCarey LLP and a member of the management committee. His practice focuses on litigating cases in the areas of insurance coverage and reinsurance. He also has tried cases in such diverse areas as antitrust, eminent domain, medical malpractice and stock valuation. He represents numerous national and international insurance and reinsurance companies in direct insurance coverage and reinsurance disputes.

Bob has been the lead trial lawyer in several major insurance coverage actions, and has testified in London as an expert in Illinois insurance law. He has also tried numerous reinsurance arbitrations to final award.

Bob is widely regarded as one of the preeminent insurance and reinsurance lawyers in the country. He has received numerous industry and peer recognitions, including being ranked as one of only a handful of North American "Thought Leaders" by the London-based publishing group, *Who's Who Legal* in 2017 and 2018. He was commended for being "a great trial lawyer" who "really knows his way around reinsurance matters." Bob has also consistently been recognized among America's leading lawyers by *Chambers USA* (2004-2018), in which clients described him as "one of the most knowledgeable insurance law practitioners in the country (with) an encyclopedic knowledge of the law." Bob's accolades include being listed in: *The Best Lawyers in America* (2006-2019); *The International Who's Who of Insurance & Reinsurance Lawyers* (2003-2018); Illinois *Super Lawyers* (2005-2019); *Top 100 Lawyers in Illinois* (2007-2009); *Leading Lawyers* (2014-2018); and Insurance and Reinsurance *Expert Guides* (2014-2018).

He received a J.D. *cum laude* from Northwestern University School of Law in 1978; a M.A. in Economics from the University of Illinois in 1975; and a B.A. in Political Science from the University of Illinois in 1973.

He is admitted to the Illinois bar, the trial bar of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, and the bars of the United States Courts of Appeals for the Second, Third, Fourth, Seventh, Tenth, and Eleventh Circuits. He is an active member of several bar and industry associations, including the American Bar Association, The Defense Research Institute, ARIAS•U.S., the Federation of Defense & Corporate Counsel, The American College of Coverage and Extracontractual Counsel, and the International Association of Defense Counsel.

Kathleen A. Birrane
Partner, DLA Piper

Kathleen A. Birrane is a partner in the Insurance Sector and the Litigation Practice Group at DLA Piper. Her practice is focused on insurance and reinsurance transactional and regulatory matters and related litigation, including the defense of regulatory enforcement proceedings. Kathleen has a broad range of experience in product and program design and analysis, regulatory compliance, market conduct, criminal and regulatory investigations related to the conduct of the business of insurance, licensing, corporate reorganizations, and complex insurance transactions, including asset diligence. She routinely advises underwriters and technology companies on rating and underwriting issues related to external data sources and predictive modeling, InsurTech related regulatory compliance, licensing, and structuring/contracting matters, including the negotiation and drafting of outsourcing agreements.

Ms. Birrane spent her first 15 years in private practice as a commercial litigator focusing primarily on large commercial disputes, including complex coverage cases.

From 2002- 2007, Ms. Birrane served as an Assistant Attorney General for the State of Maryland, assigned to the statutory position of Principal Counsel to the Maryland Insurance Commissioner. In that role, (i) she advised the Commissioner, the General Assembly and state agencies with respect to insurance products, regulatory issues, and legislation; (ii) acted as the Commissioner's designee on working groups and task forces established by the State of Maryland, the National Association of Insurance Commissioners and other bodies concerned with insurance regulatory policy; (iii) counselled and represented the Commissioner and Special Appointed receivers or supervisory agents in connection with insurance carrier supervisions or delinquency proceedings; and (iv)

represented the Commissioner and the State of Maryland in federal and state courts actions.

Immediately prior to joining DLA Piper, Kathleen served as SVP and General Counsel of a set of portfolio companies owned by major hedge funds specializing in asset consulting, acquisition, diligence, and servicing of life insurance linked investments. In that position, Kathleen rebuilt the corporate and regulatory compliance functions and led the legal and regulatory aspects of a corporate reorganization.

Germante M. Boncaldo, CFA
Head of Business Development, Swiss Re

Germante is currently Head of Business Development for Swiss Re in the Americas, leading a team responsible for originating new reinsurance solutions for Life and Health, and Property and Casualty primary companies throughout the Americas.

Prior to business development, Germante was the Chief Risk Officer for Swiss Re's private equity group and a member of the management team and investment committee. Additional prior roles included evaluating market and credit risk of structures and exposures throughout the firm across different insurance lines and asset classes.

Germante began his finance career in banking at J.P. Morgan Chase & Co. in corporate finance and M&A, originating, executing, and advising on financing and related transactions in the automotive and manufacturing industries. Followed by work in private equity and as a Credit Risk officer for Deutsche Bank before joining Swiss Re.

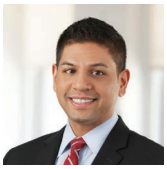
Germante has a bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering from the GMI Engineering Institute, Michigan, a MBA from Cornell University, New York, and is a CFA Charterholder.

Jay Brown
Managing Director, Legal & Compliance, Swiss Re
General Counsel, Corporate Solutions, Swiss Re

Jay is a Managing Director and the General Counsel for the Corporate Solutions business unit within Swiss Re's Legal & Compliance Division. In this role, he manages a global team handling a wide variety of legal and regulatory matters for Swiss Re's commercial insurance business. Jay and his team provide advice on a broad range of topics, including insurance laws and evolving insurance regulation, corporate governance, contracts, compliance, and transactions. Jay and his team also help support regulatory interactions and work directly with key regulators globally.

Prior to assuming the role of General Counsel, Jay had over twenty years of insurance experience at Swiss Re, and predecessor entities working in a variety of legal and claims related positions, with a focus on the management of complex claims, disputes and investigations.

Before joining Swiss Re, Jay was a litigation associate at a Kansas City-based firm, where he primarily handled insurance coverage issues and all aspects of insurance litigation. Jay is graduate of Drake University and the University of Kansas School of Law. He is licensed to practice in both Kansas and Missouri.



Suman Chakraborty
Partner, Squire Patton Boggs (US) LLP

Suman Chakraborty serves as counsel to some of the most prominent insurance and reinsurance companies in the country, advising them on a range of litigation matters in courts across the country, and in domestic and international arbitrations. His work on behalf of these companies has been recognized by leading publications such as *Chambers USA* (Up-and Coming, 2017 and 2018), *The Legal 500* (2016 and 2018), *Benchmark Litigation* (Future Star, 2019), *Who's Who of Insurance and Reinsurance* (2019), and *The Expert Guides* (Rising Star in both Litigation and Insurance, 2015-2018).

Suman's practice spans all lines of insurance and reinsurance. He is lead counsel for a third-party claims administrator in the defense of tort and contract actions arising out of the handling of long-tail claims. In the life field, Suman is lead counsel for one of the largest national life insurance companies in its disputes with reinsurers. His practice includes advising clients on a wide range of matters including in the areas of insolvency, regulatory compliance, policyholder disputes, and contract wording.

Gabriel Colwell
Partner, Squire Patton Boggs (US) LLP

Gabriel Colwell is a partner in the law firm Squire Patton Boggs. Gabriel focuses his practice on white collar criminal defense, internal investigations and complex business litigation. Gabriel represents corporations and individuals at all phases of government investigations and prosecutions, including matters involving economic sanctions, money laundering, the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA), securities fraud, mail/wire fraud and other corporate compliance matters. He also represents clients in various business litigation matters, including copyright, trademark and breach of contract actions. Prior to joining the firm, Gabriel served as a federal prosecutor in the US Army JAG Corps and as a Special Assistant U.S. Attorney for the US Department of Justice.

Deidre B. Derrig
Special Reinsurance Counsel, Willkie Farr & Gallagher LLP

Deidre B. Derrig is special reinsurance counsel for Willkie, Farr & Gallagher. Ms. Derrig has significant and varied experience in ceded and assumed reinsurance transactions. Her experience includes involvement in all aspects of reinsurance ceded and assumed by the largest publicly traded U.S. personal lines insurer including its $4 billion personal lines catastrophe reinsurance program, internal quota shares reinsurance agreements, commercial lines reinsurance, reinsurance of warranty products, and dispute management of the insurer's

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portfolio of latent tort liabilities claims. Ms. Derig also has extensive experience in the placement of reinsurance agreements in the insurance linked securities market.

Melissa Burt DeVriese
Chief Administrative Officer and General Counsel, Security First Insurance Company

Melissa Burt DeVriese began her career working as an associate attorney at Foley & Lardner, LLP. She served as legislative counsel to U.S. Representative Sam Graves and was the primary attorney to the General Counsel for the U.S. Department of Transportation in Washington, D.C. Mrs. DeVriese holds a bachelor's degree in International Studies from University of Miami as well as a J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center. She is a member of the bar associations in Washington, D.C., California, and Florida. Mrs. DeVriese is a past president of the Junior League of Daytona Beach, a past board member of the Young Professionals Group of Volusia/Flagler Counties, a board member of the Florida Association for Insurance Reform (FAIR) and is the treasurer of the board for Easter Seals of Northeast Central Florida.

Robert W. DiUbaldo
Shareholder, Carlton Fields

Rob DiUbaldo is a shareholder in the New York and New Jersey offices of Carlton Fields. He is co-chair of the firm's P&C insurance group, leads the casualty insurance practice, and is co-leader of the firm's reinsurance division. His practices focus on commercial litigation and arbitration, with an emphasis on insurance and reinsurance disputes, as well as coverage and regulatory matters. Rob has handled reinsurance matters involving a broad range of issues in the P&C and life & health sectors, as well as matters involving captives, MGAs, MGUs, brokers, third-party administrators and other types of reinsurance vehicles. On the insurance coverage side, he represents insurers in matters involving various business lines, including CGL/GL, D&O/E&O, environmental, marine and energy, as well as matters involving bad faith. Rob also represents insurers, banks and financial services companies in disputes involving their products or other commercial issues, including class actions.

John C. Emelo, CPCU, Are
Senior Vice President, Munich Reinsurance America, Inc.

John is a senior vice president and treaty casualty underwriter for the reinsurance division of Munich Reinsurance America, Inc. ("Munich Re"). As part of the reinsurance division, John provides reinsurance solutions and support to reinsurance brokers and client companies throughout the United States. He handles a wide range of business, including General/Umbrella Liability, Workers Compensation and Personal Auto.

John has over nineteen years of experience at Munich Re, holding various underwriting positions within the company during that time. He entered the industry in 1990, and prior to joining Munich Re, was a Property and Casualty Reinsurance Underwriter for companies including Partner Re and Prudential Re.

John received a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Management and a Master of Business Administration degree in Finance from Rutgers University. He holds the CPCU and ARE designations.

Ann L. Field
FieldLaw and Arbitrations, SVP Willis Re

Ann Field is an ARIAS•US certified arbitrator and a licensed attorney with over twenty-three years ofsignificant experience in reinsurance and insurance coverage issues, arbitration and litigation.

ARIAS•US certified since 2007, Field has served as an arbitrator or umpire on more than thirty-five insurance and reinsurance arbitrations. She is also a Northwestern University trained and certified mediator.

Field is a senior vice president and the executive director of Client Services in N.A. with Willis Re, Inc. Client Services manages all premiums, claims and accounting for Willis Re's diverse segments and clients. Prior to her role at Willis Re, Field worked at Zurich Insurance Group as the global head of reinsurance recoveries, claims and asset management as well as other prior reinsurance executive roles. While at Zurich, Field directed over 125 reinsurance arbitrations handled by external and in-house counsel. Field oversaw a large multi-functional team and she was responsible for Zurich's $20 billion global reinsurance asset, including all assumed and ceded global reinsurance claims across all lines of property and casualty business.

Accordingly, Field has a diverse and extensive background in all lines of property and casualty business involving treaty and facultative reinsurance contracts dating from 1945 through 2016.

Field served on the ARIAS U.S. Board of Directors from 2011 through 2017 and is the Chair of the ARIAS•U.S. Women's Networking Organization. Field is a frequent speaker at various industry conferences. In 2015, 2016, and 2019 Intelligent Insurer honored Field as one of the "Top 100 Women In Reinsurance."

Patricia Taylor Fox
Deputy General Counsel, American International Group, Inc.

Patricia Taylor Fox has more than twenty years of experience in the insurance and reinsurance industry. She currently serves as deputy general counsel in the Reinsurance Legal Division of AIG, where she is the head of the Dispute Resolution Unit. Ms. Fox began her career in reinsurance as an associate attorney at Werner & Kennedy. Before joining AIG's legal department, she was an associate with the law firm of Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP, where she concentrated her practice in the resolution of reinsurance litigations and arbitrations.

Ms. Fox has co-authored articles on evidence in arbitrations, attorney-client privilege, the common-interest privilege and developments in reinsurance law, and is a frequent speaker on issues relating to the arbitration of reinsurance disputes.

Armel Francisco
Chief Information Security Officer, SVP
Swiss Re

Senior Vice President, Armel Francisco, is the Swiss Re Chief Information Security Officer and IT Operation Business Partner for the Americas. He is responsible for corporate solutions and reinsurance cyber security and regulatory compliance as well as the IT Operations point of contact for the region. Although there is a regional compliance focus, due to the organization's global framework, Armel Francisco is engaged in applications and initiatives that span Swiss Re's locations worldwide.

Prior to joining Swiss Re in 2005, Armel was a managing consultant with KPMG/BearingPoint and Ernst & Young/ Capgemini focusing on business transformation, process reengineering and technology transformation for financial services companies. Armel was with E&Y/ Capgemini to kick-off Swiss Re's newly re-architected and reengineered global Life & Health administrative platform (Business of the Future), which is now the fully operationalized and harmonized REAL landscape. Previously, Armel managed strategic initiatives at Prudential Insurance Company of America, based out of the Newark office. Primary responsibilities included cost benefit analyses for expansion and/or consolidation of offices, District Agencies systems, Individual Life & Health and Group insurance products and annuities and the demutualization of Prudential Insurance.

Armel earned a bachelor's degree at Columbia College in New York and an Executive MBA from Columbia University's Graduate School of Business.

Donald E. Frechette
Partner, Locke Lord LLP

Donald E. Frechette is a partner in the Hartford office of Locke Lord, LLP. As an experienced trial lawyer, he has represented both cedents and reinsurers in foreign and domestic arbitrations. He has also litigated arbitration-related issues in numerous state and federal courts.

Mr. Frechette received his BA in Economics and Business Administration from the University of New Hampshire, his JD from New York Law School, with honors, and his LLM from Boston University, with highest honors.

Peter Gentile
Certified Arbitrator and Umpire,
ARIAS•U.S.

Peter Gentile has served the insurance and re-insurance industries for over 40 years – during the last fifteen years as an ARIAS•U.S. certified umpire and arbitrator. He has served on several arbitration panels both as an umpire and party appointed arbitrator. Mr. Gentile has also served as a litigation consultant and expert witness in many complex disputes involving insurers and re-insurers.

Previously, Mr. Gentile was CEO, President and CFO, of major reinsurers where his responsibilities included all aspects of underwriting, claims, contracts and financial matters. Among his areas of expertise are alternative approaches to transferring both long tail casualty and property risk, mergers and acquisitions, captives and run-off.

Mr. Gentile is a Certified Public Accountant and began his career at the accounting firm of KPMG where he was a Partner and leader of the Insurance Practice in New York. He is both treasurer and a member of the Board of Directors of ARIAS•U.S.

Sarah D. Gordon
Partner, Steptoe & Johnson LLP

Sarah Gordon is a partner at Steptoe & Johnson LLP. She maintains a multifaceted litigation practice that encompasses insurance and reinsurance, employee benefits, and professional liability. She represents insurance companies involved in a wide range of coverage disputes, including latent health coverage claims, long-tail environmental coverage claims, and claims against directors and officers. Most recently, she has been centrally involved on behalf of insurers in coverage disputes over sports-related brain injury claims (concussions), property claims, personal and advertising injury claims, cyber coverage claims, and abuse claims. On the reinsurance side, Sarah has extensive experience representing cedents and reinsurers in the life, health, and property/casualty industries. Sarah's work in the reinsurance area routinely involves the duty of utmost good faith, the interpretation of treaty language, claims management, premium disputes, and underwriting practices.

Sarah is a member of the ARIAS•U.S. Women's Networking Group and has been the vice chair for the TIPS Excess, Surplus Lines, and Reinsurance Committee. Washington Super Lawyers designated Sarah as a "Rising Star" from 2016 through the present, and in 2018 the LGBT Bar recognized her as the Best LGBT Lawyers Under 40.

Susan Grondine-Dauwer
Arbitration and Litigation Services, SEG-D
Consulting, LLC

Susan Grondine-Dauwer has 35 years of professional and executive experience within the insurance and reinsurance industry, including roles as general counsel, chief claims officer, board member, corporate officer, treasurer and secretary.

She has been responsible for a wide range of high-level assignments involving strategic planning, mergers and acquisitions, operational management, regulatory compliance, reinsurance asset management, claims reengineering, and run-off structuring.

Ms. Grondine-Dauwer has held officer and director positions for 7 insurance and reinsurance companies, the majority of which have been in the Property & Casualty run-off sector.

She holds a law degree from Boston University School of Law and undergraduate degree from Boston College. She is admitted to practice in Massachusetts and before the U.S. Supreme Court, U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit, U.S. District Court, Massachusetts.

Ms. Grondine-Dauwer is an ARIAS•U.S. certified arbitrator and member of the AIDA Reinsurance and

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Insurance Arbitration Society (ARIAS•U.S.). She has served on the ARIAS Arbitrators Committee, Publications Committee, Board Nomination committee and Ethics Examination review group. Ms. Grondine-Dauwer has participated in over 325 arbitration and litigation matters, involving a broad range of insurance, reinsurance and commercial issues. She is a regular speaker and participant at various industry conferences and academic meetings concerning insurance, reinsurance, arbitration and litigation and run-off management issues.

Debra J. Hall
Principal, Hall Arbitrations

Debra is an attorney, former senior executive p/c and life officer (Swiss Re) and an ARIAS•US Certified Arbitrator. She was responsible for the RAAs Manual for the Resolution of Reinsurance Disputes; and the founder/creator of the task force that established the industry Procedures for the Resolution of Insurance and Reinsurance Disputes. She was among the original group establishing ARIAS•US and on the first nominating committee.

Debra was also: senior vice president/general counsel for the RAA; senior vice president/ general counsel of the Illinois Receivers Office and a government litigator/ supervisor. She has extensive trial experience in class actions and was lead trial counsel on the successful Integrity claim estimation/acceleration litigation on behalf of the reinsurance industry.

In addition to her arbitration practice, Debra is the co-founder and owner of two companies that have incubated and brought to market intellectual property for which she and her co-founder/co-owner hold a U.S. technology patent.

Robert M. Hall, Esq.
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Mr. Hall spent 20 years as in-house counsel for a surplus lines insurer, a large primary insurer and lastly as senior vice president and general counsel of Munich Reinsurance America. Thereafter he became a partner at the law firm DLA Piper before opening a solo practice as an arbitrator and expert witness. He has served on nearly 200 arbitration panels and as an expert witness in state and federal courts. Mr. Hall has published over 100 articles on insurance, reinsurance, receivership and ADR issues and they can be found on his website: robertmhalladr.com. He lives in a former church on the coast of Maine with his wife Debra Hall (also an arbitrator and expert witness) and two Labradors.

John M. Huff
President and CEO, Association of Bermuda Insurers and Reinsurers (ABIR)

John Huff was appointed president & CEO of ABIR effective January 1, 2018. In this role Huff directs ABIR's worldwide public policy initiatives. Huff has more than 25 years of experience in the insurance sector, most recently as the 2016 president of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC), the US standard-setting and regulatory support organization created and governed by the nation's chief insurance regulators, and as director of the Missouri Department of Insurance, a position he held for eight years.

Prior to entering public service, John spent more than a decade in executive positions with leading global insurers and reinsurers.

A former practicing attorney, John's knowledge of the insurance industry is global in scope, spanning the United States, Bermuda, the United Kingdom, Continental Europe and Asia markets. John brings to the table a keen understanding of the regulatory, legal, financial and operational challenges that insurance and reinsurance companies face.

Huff earned his JD from Washington University School of Law and holds an MBA from St. Louis University and a BSBA from Southeast Missouri State University.

Michele L. Jacobson
Parter, Stroock & Stroock & Lavan LLP

Michele L. Jacobson concentrates on complex insurance and reinsurance matters, using her deep knowledge of the industry to counsel a diverse array of companies in litigating and preventing disputes. She has represented clients in misrepresentation, coverage, standard-of-conduct, broker negligence and insurance regulatory disputes in federal and state courts and before arbitration panels nationwide.

Ceding companies and reinsurers call upon her contract wording experience to advise on tightening contracts and processes to minimize litigation risks. Michele's strategic approach to litigation and dispute resolution has helped clients save and recover hundreds of millions of dollars.

Michele has received recognition for her work from *Chambers USA*, *The Legal 500 United States*, *Who's Who Legal: Insurance & Reinsurance* and *Super Lawyers*.

Michele sits on Stroock's Executive Committee and is a Co-Chair of the Stroock Women's Affinity Group. She remains active in the community, serving on, among other things, the GlamourGals Foundation Executive Board and the Babson College Parent Executive Committee.

J.P. Jaillet
Partner, Insurance & Reinsurance, Choate, Hall & Stewart LLP

J.P. Jaillet is a member of Choate's Insurance & Reinsurance Group, and he also serves as Choate's hiring partner. J.P. represents reinsurers and cedents in coverage disputes, lawsuits, and arbitrations. In the past five years, he has gone to trial/evidentiary hearing in over ten reinsurance cases, including disputes involving property catastrophe, life, opioid, asbestos, and construction defect losses. J.P. attended the University of Notre Dame and the University of Virginia School of Law. He lives outside of Boston with his wife and three children, who he entertains with reinsurance stories.

Deirdre G. Johnson
Partner, Squire Patton Boggs (US) LLP

Deirdre Johnson is a partner on the litigation team of the Washington DC office. She has nearly two decades of experience handling disputes in the U.S., Bermuda, London and European markets in lawsuits and arbitration proceedings arising out of a broad range of claims and virtually all types of insurance and reinsurance agreements. Deirdre represents insurers, reinsurers and captives in coverage disputes involving professional liability, variable annuity, general liability, surety, product liability, employment discrimination and environmental matters. She has handled dozens of arbitrations in both domestic and international proceedings, including many Bermuda and London arbitrations arising out of a broad range of claim types in both direct insurance and reinsurance matters. She also represents mono-line insurers in disputes concerning financial guaranty contracts covering mortgage-backed securities, collateralized debt obligations and other asset-backed securities. She represents insurers providing directors and officers/errors and omissions/fidelity coverage and has taken disputes arising out of such coverage through to arbitration award. Chambers USA ranked Deirdre as a top attorney in insurance/reinsurance and she is recognized as a leader in insurance/reinsurance by the Who's Who and Super Lawyers rankings. Deirdre's practice also includes the defense of public corporations in class actions, derivative lawsuits, mergers and acquisition litigation, and SEC enforcement actions.

Brian Jones
Head of P&C Business Management Americas, Swiss Re

Brian Jones is the Head of P&C Business Management Americas for Swiss Re. In this role, Brian is responsible for managing Swiss Re Americas in-force portfolio of P&C reinsurance business, which includes claims management, technical accounting, run-off management, auditing, reinsurance operations and reserving. Prior to returning to the United States at the end of 2016, Brian had worked at the Corporate Headquarters in Zurich, Switzerland for 8 years—his last role there being the Head of Strategy and Operations for the Europe, Middle East & Africa region. He joined the reinsurance industry in 1995 with Employers Reinsurance Corporation from the private practice of law as an APH Claims Manager. Over his career he has held various leadership roles in both the Americas and EMEA across Claims Management, Strategy and Operations functions. Brian holds a BA and JD from University of Missouri-Columbia. He is based in Armonk, New York and lives with his wife in Stamford, Connecticut.

Kathleen Karnell
Vice President, Transatlantic Reinsurance Co.

Kathleen Karnell is an attorney and claim professional with 33 years of claims experience in the insurance and reinsurance industry. She is currently a vice president at TransRe, a leading international reinsurer, managing claims arising out of the company's casualty business. Prior to joining Trans Re, she was vice president of claims at Tokio Millennium Re (TMR) in Bermuda, where she was responsible for the management of all multi-line claims arising out of the company's US reinsurance portfolio, including handling all coverage disputes and arbitrations filed against the company. Ms. Karnell also worked for General Reinsurance for twenty years as a vice president of claims overseeing a multi-line claim portfolio as well as handling direct excess claims involving environmental and asbestos losses and arbitrations filed against the company.

Ms. Karnell is admitted to practice law in New York and California and has obtained her CPCU and ARe designations. She received her JD from Golden Gate University, School of Law in 1984 and her undergraduate degree form Mills College in 1981. She is also a certified arbitrator with ARIAS•US.

Cindy Koehler
Head of Casualty Claims, AIG

Cindy has been in insurance litigation her entire career, starting as an associate and later becoming a partner at Morrison, Mahoney & Miller in Boston where she worked in the First Party Group, trying coverage cases in State and Federal Courts. In 2001, Cindy joined Liberty Mutual where she was most recently vice president and assistant general counsel managing the Complex & Emerging Risks Legal Department, which handled the company's asbestos, pollution and health hazard litigation, as well as emerging risks.

Michael Kuehn
Reinsurance Counsel & Collections Manager, The Riverstone Group

Michael Kuehn is reinsurance counsel & collections manager at The Riverstone Group. He is responsible for the oversight of all ceded and assumed reinsurance litigation and arbitration for the company. In addition, he oversees the team at Riverstone responsible for the resolution of all outward reinsurance handled by the company. Prior to joining Riverstone, Michael was in private practice focusing on litigating and arbitrating reinsurance and insurance disputes. He attended Gettysburg College and Villanova University School of Law. He is also a member of the ARIAS•U.S. Law Committee.

Beth Levene
Executive Vice President, Chief Claims Officer for Transatlantic Reinsurance Co.

Beth Levene is executive vice president, chief claims officer for Transatlantic Reinsurance Co., New York. Mrs. Levene oversees and manages the claims operations, which includes Treaty and Facultative claims arising under Proportional and Excess of Loss reinsurance agreements for Property and Casualty Business, assumed and ceded. Mrs. Levene has been in the insurance/reinsurance industry since 1984 and was previously employed by CNA in Chicago, Illinois and GEICO in Dallas, Texas. Mrs. Levene received her BA from the University of Houston.

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Anthony G. Lombardo
Co-Founder/Owner, SagePoint Solutions Group LLC

Tony is the co-founder/owner and principal technology architect of two companies that invent and bring to market intellectual property in the areas of decision-support and personalized search. Their patented technology, NavXzy, is a decision platform that mirrors human reasoning by emulating neural networks through a proprietary ontological schema.

Tony has a degree in computer science and specialization in artificial intelligence, followed by 17 years of developing innovative systems for financial services.

As the former global head of eLearning & knowledge management for Accenture Financial Services, Tony developed solutions for the world's most respected financial institutions, a sampling of which includes GE Capital, Goldman Sachs, JP Morgan Chase, and Merrill Lynch. Tony's work has been cited in technology and business journals, as well as the *Wall Street Journal* and the *New York Times*.

Geoffrey D.K. Lubert, ARe
Executive Vice President & Managing Director, Willis Re Canada

Geoff is responsible for running the Canadian region of Willis Re. Willis Re Canada Inc. is based in Toronto and handles all lines of business including Property – Excess and Proportional, Catastrophe, Energy, Surety, Life, Accident & Health, Agriculture, Warranty, Casualty and Automobile. Geoff joined Willis Re Canada in 2014 and has initiated significant investment in the region.

Previously, Geoff was with Guy Carpenter where Geoff, for the last five years, served as a member of the senior management team that managed operations for the region. During his tenure of more than 13 years, he held a variety of positions with and outside of Toronto.

Geoff has over 17 years of agriculture experience that allows him to effectively assist in the management of the agricultural practice of Willis Re. With his extensive knowledge of the ag industry and ag market relationships; Geoff offers innovative solutions. Geoff has placed the inaugural Cannabis specific reinsurance treaty in Canada for P&C business and is in development of a gross margin-based product for the growing crops.

Geoff graduated with an Honors BA degree from York University's Schulich School of Business and an MBA degree at the Richard Ivey School of Business at the University of Western Ontario. He has completed the international risk analyst exchange program where he has obtained work experience in in New York and as a Lloyd's of London broker and has earned his designation of associate in reinsurance.

Susan E. Mack
Partner, Adams and Reese LLP

Susan E. Mack serves as a partner with the Jacksonville, Florida office of Adams and Reese LLP following her 25-year career as general counsel and chief compliance officer of both insurers and reinsurers in the life/health and property/casualty sectors of the insurance industry. Adams and Reese LLP, an AmJur 200 law firm, has 280 lawyers in seven southern states and the District of Columbia.

Ms. Mack is a founding director of ARIAS•U.S. She was the first woman to ever be on the ARIAS•U.S. Board. Currently, she holds ARIAS•U.S. certifications as an umpire and arbitrator and is also a qualified mediator. In addition to her current insurance regulatory practice, Ms. Mack accepts assignments as an arbitrator, mediator and expert witness.

Ms. Mack promotes the organization's development by her service on the ARIAS (US) Ethics Committee. She is admitted to practice in Florida, California, Connecticut, North Carolina and South Carolina.

Andrew Maneval
President, Chesham Consulting, LLC

Andrew Maneval is the President of Chesham Consulting, LLC, providing services as an umpire, arbitrator, and mediator in the insurance/reinsurance and financial services industries; he also provides consulting and expert witness services in these fields. Andrew is accredited as an umpire and arbitrator by ARIAS•U.S., the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA), and the Association of Insurance and Reinsurance Run-Off Companies (AIRROC). He serves as an arbitrator/umpire for the American Arbitration Association and is authorized as a Mediator in New Hampshire state courts. He has trained various industry groups on arbitration, reinsurance, and negotiations, and has frequently lectured on these topics. As an umpire, arbitrator, attorney, expert witness, and company manager, Andrew has been involved in hundreds of arbitrations.

Andrew worked as an attorney for thirteen years before becoming an executive with various insurance and reinsurance companies in The Hartford Financial Services Group, Inc. He was the President, COO, and Board Chairman of First State Insurance Company, New England Reinsurance Corp., ITT New England Management Co., Inc., and Horizon Management Group, LLC. He was responsible for winding up various run-off insurance and reinsurance businesses in the US and UK. He was a director and manager of the Excess Insurance Co., Ltd. and Downlands Liability Management, Ltd. Andrew was with The Hartford for sixteen years; prior to that, he had been a partner in the New York law firm of Mound, Cotton, Wollan & Greengrass, specializing in insurance and reinsurance matters. He was a co-founder of the trade association, AIRROC, and served as its first Board Chairman. Andrew also served as a charter member of the Insurance/Reinsurance Industry Dispute Resolution Task Force and helped draft AIRROC's Arbitration Procedures.

Cia Moss
Founding Partner, Chaffetz Lindsey LLP

A founding partner of Chaffetz Lindsey LLP, Cia Moss has litigated and arbitrated complex commercial and financial disputes, primarily in the insurance and reinsurance field, for the past 20 years. She has handled disputes arising out of property/casualty, life/health, workers' compensation carve out, finite risk, and aviation reinsurance, and her cases have covered the major areas of controversy in insurance and reinsurance, including issues of contract interpretation, number of occurrences, allocation and late notice, and claims for rescission based on fraud or fraudulent inducement. She also has substantial experience with issues arising out of the Federal Arbitration Act, including questions about the enforceability of arbitration agreements, the propriety of consolidation of arbitrations, and issues relating to enforcement of arbitral awards. Cia is an active member of the ARIAS•US Law Committee and is admitted to practice in state and federal courts in New York and in the Second Circuit.

Constance O'Mara
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Connie O'Mara is an ARIAS•U.S. Certified Arbitrator and a member of the ARIAS Education Committee and the Member Services Committee. She has 30 years of experience handling complex insurance/reinsurance claims and litigation. Formerly president and chief legal officer of Brandywine Holdings (which included Century Indemnity, Century Re and ACE American Re), then a division of ACE Group of Companies, now Chubb, Ms. O'Mara has extensive experience in managing and evaluating run-off portfolios. Prior to being appointed as president of Brandywine, Ms. O'Mara served as general counsel for the Division, managing in-house counsel operations and litigation. Since leaving ACE, she has served as an expert witness on claims handling issues, mediated a wide variety of disputes, and served on both reinsurance and direct insurance arbitration panels. She is an active AAA Panelist as well as a FINRA arbitrator. She is a member of the AIRROC Advisory Council, assistant editor of AIRROC Matters magazine, and she has authored numerous articles for the *ARIAS Quarterly* and the *AIRROC Matters* magazine. O'Mara Consulting, LLC is located in Haddonfield, NJ (near Philadelphia).

Eridania Perez
Partner, Squire Patton Boggs (US) LLP

Eridania Perez is a partner in the Insurance and Litigation Group at Squire Patton Boggs. She focuses her practice on commercial litigation and international arbitration. She has tried cases in U.S. courts and arbitrated cases involving a wide range of insurance and reinsurance disputes, complex contractual disputes, as well as fraud and misrepresentation claims, and breaches of warranties and representations, among others. Eridania regularly advises U.S. and non-U.S. multinationals regarding defense and strategy in potential US litigation and international arbitration proceedings involving complex civil and common law issues. Eridania has been recognized as a Leading Attorney by *The Legal 500 U.S.* and has published and presented on various insurance and reinsurance topics.

Andrew Rothseid
Principal/Owner, RunOff Re.Solve LLC

Andrew Rothseid is the principal and owner of RunOff Re.Solve LLC. RunOff Re.Solve provides specialist turnaround, restructuring, and advisory services to the global insurance and reinsurance industry particularly in regard to discontinued or "run off" liabilities. RunOff Re.Solve works on behalf of insurers and reinsurers, corporate owners of captive insurers, regulators, liquidators, and institutional investors.

Andrew has professional experience within the insurance industry as a: private practice lawyer (licensed in Pennsylvania and New York); general counsel and director of American and Bermudian property and casualty run off insurers and reinsurers; managing director of a London Market insurer and reinsurer; partner with a global professional services firm; and as an independent director of a financial guaranty insurer and a managing general agent and managing general underwriter. Andrew is an ARIAS•U.S. certified arbitrator and a member of the panel of arbitrators of ARIAS•UK.

Christine Russell
SVP, Brandywine Group

Christine Russell is the senior vice president of the Brandywine Group of Insurance and Reinsurance Companies' Reinsurance Operations. The Brandywine Group has responsibility for managing most of the Chubb run-off books of business. Ms. Russell is responsible for supervising and managing all aspects of the Brandywine Group's ceded and assumed claims-handling operations. This includes supervisory responsibility for all reinsurance dispute resolution, both formal and informal.

Before joining Brandywine in October 2012, Ms. Russell was an attorney in private practice for 17 years. Her practice predominantly focused on insurance and reinsurance arbitration and litigation, but she also litigated a broad array of non-insurance commercial disputes. Immediately preceding her transition to Brandywine, Ms. Russell was a partner at White and Williams LLP in Philadelphia, where her practice was exclusively focused on reinsurance disputes. Ms. Russell arbitrated or litigated, as counsel, more than 20 matters through full hearing or trial.

Ms. Russell has a J.D. from Widener University School of Law in Wilmington, Delaware and a B.A. from Ursinus College in Collegeville, Pennsylvania. Ms. Russell has been a speaker at various industry conferences and events on many different insurance and reinsurance topics.

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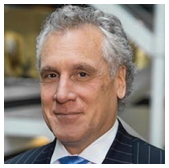

Stephen Schwab
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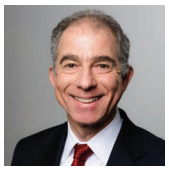
Stephen is a partner in DLA Piper LLP (US), resident in the Chicago and Philadelphia offices. He has litigated and arbitrated numerous disputes involving restructured re/insurers, and recently closed a novel business division transfer transaction involving a company in rehabilitation. He has published extensively and spoken widely on a broad array of subjects (see www.dlapiper.com). He is also featured and highly ranked in the leading client and peer reviewed surveys of legal professionals (including *US Legal 500*, *Chambers USA* and *Best Lawyers in America*), and won the ILO Client Choice Award, Insurance & Reinsurance, 2014 Illinois and 2010 U.S.A. Global Co-Coordinator, Insurance Sector (DLA Piper, 2005-09); Member, Executive Committee (Rudnick & Wolfe).

B.A., Northwestern University (1979); J.D., Dickinson School of Law of the Pennsylvania State University (1982, Order of Barristers); A.Re., Insurance School of Chicago (1995); Harvard Business School Leadership Program (2008).

Stacey Schwartz
Senior Counsel, SVP Swiss Re

Stacey Schwartz is a senior vice president and senior counsel with Swiss Re. As a member of Swiss Re's Global Dispute Resolution and Litigation group, Stacey has focused on counseling her clients in various complex, ceded and assumed, matters arising out of the personal accident/workers compensation carve-out, traditional life, and property and casualty markets, including the strategic management of significant reinsurance disputes and arbitrations. Before joining Swiss Re, Stacey was in-house at Kemper where she counseled the Ceded Reinsurance group on all aspects of complex ceded asbestos, environmental, mass tort and clash reinsurance loss presentations, as well as reinsurance arbitration and dispute resolution.

Stacey is a member of the ARIAS Women's Networking Group and the ARIAS Ethics Committee.



Steve Schwartz
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Steve Schwartz is a partner at Chaffetz Lindsey LLP. He has devoted most of his practice to reinsurance arbitration and litigation since the early 1990s. During that time, Steve has handled disputes relating to both property/casualty and life and health reinsurance, as well as finite risk reinsurance. Steve is the author of *Reinsurance Law: An Analytic Approach*, a comprehensive treatise first published in 2009 and updated semi-annually since then. Steve is a graduate of Princeton University and Columbia Law School.

David Thirkill
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David Thirkill has spent nearly 50 years in the insurance / reinsurance industry. He began his career on a box at Lloyds and then joined a reinsurance company based in London and Gibraltar, before moving to Bermuda where he managed and underwrote for captives. In 1980, he returned to London as a reinsurance underwriter and, in 1985, returned to Bermuda as president and chief underwriter for a finite reinsurer. He moved to the U.S. to start a consulting company, which included leading a team that formed two property insurers effectuating "take-outs" from the FRPCJUA.

During 1999, he joined a leading run-off organization involved in significant reinsurance disputes before becoming a full-time arbitrator. He has been appointed in over 300 matters in the US, UK and Bermuda and has been as a mediator on many matters.

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Prior to forming Avalon in late 2004, Mr. Wigmore served as president and CEO of St. Paul Re, Inc., from 2002-2004. In that role, he managed all the assumed reinsurance run-off operations of the St. Paul Travelers Companies. In the United States, those run-off entities included St. Paul Re, F&G Re, Travelers Specialty Property Casualty Co., Constitution State Insurance Company and the assumed operations of Gulf Insurance Company. In the United Kingdom, Mr. Wigmore was chairman of St. Paul Reinsurance Company, Ltd., and headed St. Paul Specialist Services, Ltd., the run-off manager for St. Paul Re (UK), Unionamerica Insurance Company, Ltd. and St. Katherine's Insurance Company.

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Anne Wilson is a senior vice president and the property expert for Swiss Re's Americas Region. In her current role with Swiss Re, Anne focuses on providing property claims expertise to Swiss Re's clients and colleagues. She is eager to share her knowledge with clients through consultative reviews, and industry research and analysis. Anne joined the firm in1998. During her insurance/reinsurance career, she managed environmental liability, products liability, and agents' errors and omissions claims before joining the reinsurance property claims team in May 2002.

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New York, NY
Exact location and date coming soon.

October 2 — Fall Educational Seminar – Arbitrator and Umpire Seminar
Half-day session including lunch starting at 12:00 p.m.
Educational Seminar credit
New York Marriott at the Brooklyn Bridge, Brooklyn, NY

October 3-4 — Fall 2019 Conference
New York Marriott at the Brooklyn Bridge, Brooklyn, NY

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ARIAS•U.S. POLICY STATEMENT AND GUIDELINES CONCERNING ANTITRUST COMPLIANCE

ARIAS•U.S. is a not-for-profit corporation that promotes improvement of the insurance and reinsurance arbitration process for the international and domestic markets. ARIAS•U.S. provides initial training, continuing in-depth conferences, and workshops in the skills necessary to serve effectively on an insurance/reinsurance arbitration panel. In addition, ARIAS•U.S. certifies a pool of qualified arbitrators and serves as a resource for parties involved in a dispute to find the appropriate persons to resolve the matter in a professional, knowledgeable and cost-effective manner.

ARIAS•U.S. members include representatives of insurance companies, reinsurance companies, law firms and independent contractors with experience in the field. Some of the participants in ARIAS•U.S. meetings may be in competition with one another. For this reason, ARIAS•U.S. wishes to state unequivocal support for the policy of competition served by the antitrust laws.

The Policy of ARIAS•U.S. Requires Full Compliance with the Antitrust Laws

ARIAS•U.S. is firmly committed to free competition. In particular, ARIAS•U.S. stresses that members have and retain full and exclusive authority for making their own decisions in arbitrations or litigations in which they are involved, as well as in all of their business activities. ARIAS•U.S. does not in any way serve to facilitate agreements among competitors to coordinate their activities with respect to billing practices, collections, underwriting, or any other competitively sensitive activity of insurers or reinsurers. Rather, ARIAS•U.S. exists solely in order to provide educational and informational assistance in connection with the dispute-resolution process of arbitration or litigation.

Although the activities of ARIAS•U.S. are not intended to restrain competition in any manner, it is always possible that meetings involving competitors could be seen by some as an opportunity to engage in anti-competitive conduct. Good business judgment requires making substantial efforts to safeguard against any appearance of an antitrust violation -- both because ARIAS•U.S. has a firm commitment to the principle of free competition, and because the penalties for antitrust violations are severe. Certain violations of the Sherman Act, such as price fixing, are felony crimes for which individuals may be imprisoned or fined. In recent years, corporations have paid hundreds of millions of dollars in fines for these antitrust offenses. In addition, class actions and other treble damage claims by private parties are very expensive to litigate and can result in large judgments. Penalties might be imposed upon ARIAS•U.S., its individual and corporate members, and their individual representatives if they were adjudged to have violated the antitrust laws in connection with their ARIAS•U.S. activities. Members should not count on an antitrust immunity simply because insurance is a highly regulated industry.

It is the responsibility of every member of ARIAS•U.S. fully to comply with the antitrust laws in all ARIAS•U.S. activities. In order to assist members in recognizing situations that may raise the appearance of an antitrust problem, the meeting chair shall furnish at each meeting a copy of this Policy Statement and the following Guidelines.

Guidelines to Ensure Antitrust Compliance

Many ARIAS•U.S. members are skilled in the legal process and may be expected to understand their responsibilities under the antitrust laws. Nonetheless, it is useful to state, as a reminder, some basic guidelines that will minimize potential antitrust risk.

1. ARIAS•U.S. members may freely discuss matters that are not competitively sensitive, such as legal developments, ethical principles, procedures, laws that affect the industry, ways to make proceedings more efficient, and technical problems involved in arbitration or litigation. It is permissible, for example, to draft sample arbitration clauses that parties may select on a voluntary basis.

2. ARIAS•U.S. meetings and activities shall not be used as an occasion to reach or attempt to reach any understanding or agreement among competitors -- whether written or oral, formal or informal, express or implied -- to coordinate their activities with regard to billing, collections, premiums, terms or conditions of contracts, territories or customers. Thus, for example, competing cedents (or competing reinsurers) should not agree with one another that they will require use of a particular arbitration clause, and especially should not agree that they will boycott parties that reject the clause.

3. The best way to guard against the appearance of such an agreement is to avoid any discussion of subjects that might raise concern as a restraint on competition. Accordingly, ARIAS•U.S. meetings and activities shall not be used as the occasion for competitors to exchange information on any competitively sensitive subjects, including the following:

(a) ARIAS•U.S. activities and communications shall not include discussion among competitors to coordinate their activities with respect to billing practices, collection activities, premium setting, reserves, costs, or allocation of territories or customers.

(b) ARIAS•U.S. members shall not use the occasion of any ARIAS•U.S. activities to discuss coordinated actions involving other competitors, suppliers or customers. Such discussions could be misconstrued as an agreement to boycott third parties. For example, if a member decides it will decline to pay certain types of billings from a customer, the member should not discuss this decision with a competitor, because a common plan on such a subject could be considered an unlawful conspiracy or boycott. Accordingly, ARIAS•U.S. members should not discuss any proposal: to coordinate policies or practices in, billings or collections; to prevent any person or business entity from gaining access to any market or customer; to prevent any business entity from obtaining insurance or reinsurance services or legal or consulting services freely in the market; or to influence the availability, terms, provisions, premiums or other aspects of any reinsurance policy or line of insurance.

4. A written agenda shall be prepared in advance for every formal ARIAS•U.S. meeting. Where practical, the agenda shall be reviewed in advance by counsel. The written agenda shall be followed throughout the meeting. Where minutes are kept, the minutes of all meetings shall be reviewed by counsel (if possible) and, after such review, shall be distributed to all members of the body holding the meeting. Approval of the minutes shall be obtained after review at the next meeting.

5. Members are expected to observe the standards of conduct stated above in all informal discussions that take place at the site of ARIAS•U.S. meetings, and in all communications concerning ARIAS•U.S. business.

6. If a member suspects that any unlawful agreements are being discussed, the member should leave the discussion immediately and should consult counsel.

7. Questions concerning these Guidelines may be directed to the Chairman of the Law Committee of ARIAS•U.S.

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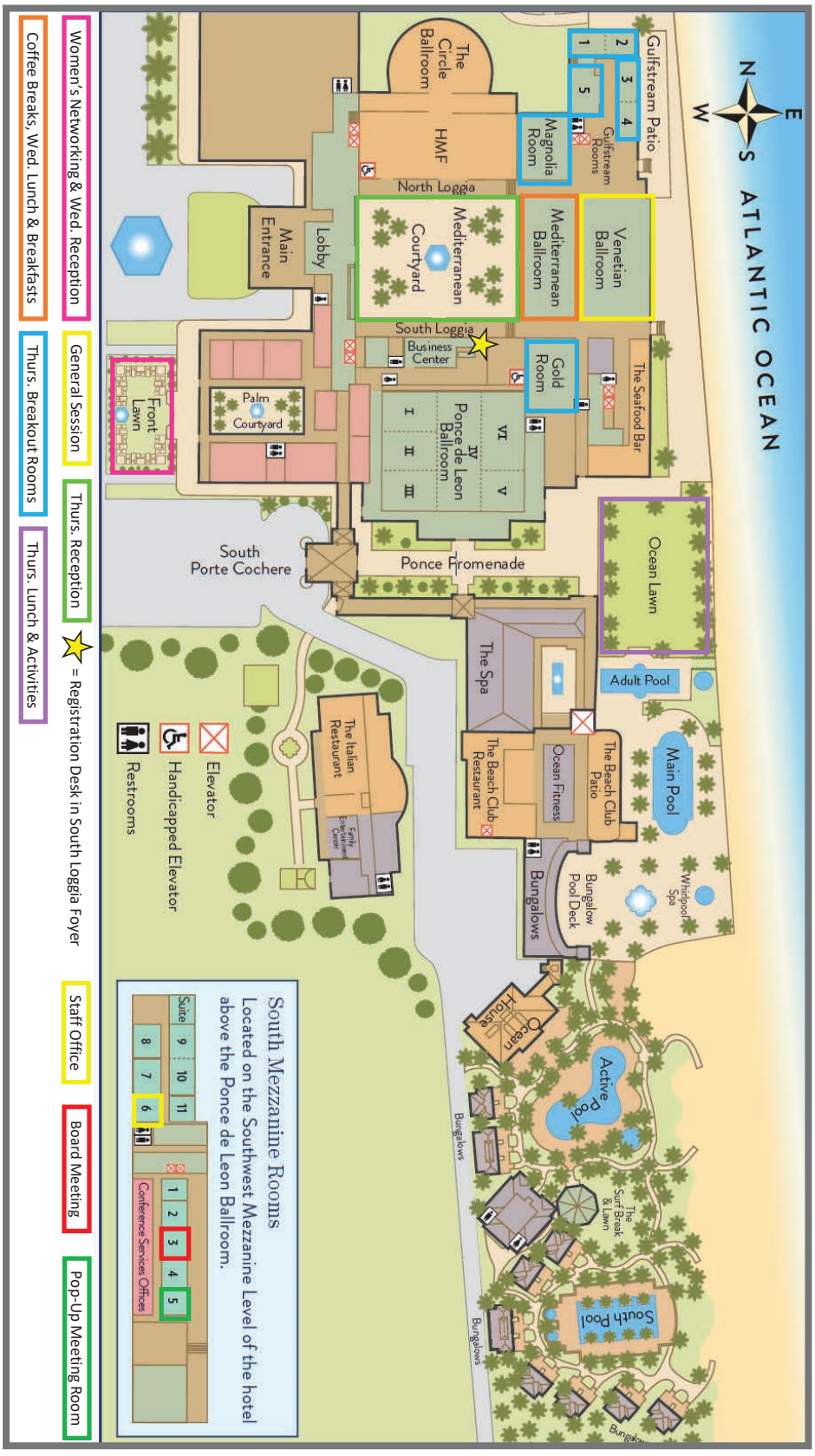

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