

**Governor Haley Barbour**  
**Former Governor of Mississippi**

Haley Barbour, the former governor of Mississippi and former chairman of the Republican Governor's Association, is one of the top political strategists in the country. Barbour put Mississippi on a new path in job creation, education, health care, and energy.

Previously Barbour successfully served twice as chairman of the Republican National Committee. In 1994, under Barbour's chairmanship, Republicans won the greatest midterm majority sweep of the 20th century, winning GOP control of both houses of Congress for the first time in 40 years. After his stint as head of the RGA, *POLITICO* called Barbour "the most powerful Republican in politics." He also returned to Barbour, Griffith, & Rogers (BGR Group), a lobbying group he helped found in 1991.

**Leadership in the Storm.** Governor Barbour has been praised for his handling of both the Gulf Oil Spill and Hurricane Katrina. He worked tirelessly and innovatively with local, state, and national leadership to tap into many resources of assistance for victims of Hurricane Katrina. He created the Governor's Commission on Recovery, Rebuilding, and Renewal to develop opportunities for South Mississippi to rebuild bigger and better than ever. Barbour also continued the good management practices and award-winning stewardship of about \$24 billion in federal funding received after Katrina for housing, infrastructure, and a wide variety of other recovery work, including more than \$5 billion where the state was given unprecedented control. He is also the author of *America's Great Storm: Leading through Hurricane Katrina*, which explores leadership during a crisis.

**Mississippi's Chief Executive.** Governor Barbour's first election in 2003 marked the largest voter turnout in Mississippi gubernatorial history, and he was reelected in 2007 with 58.2% of the vote. The Yazoo City, Mississippi, native is only the second governor since Reconstruction to be elected to a second consecutive term as Mississippi's chief executive. He has focused on civil justice reform, controlling spending, prudent management of the state health care program, and new attention on Mississippi as an energy producing state that can help meet America's energy needs in the future.

In June 2009, Governor Barbour assumed the role of chairman of the Republican Governors Association and served until after the November, 2010, elections. During Barbour's chairmanship, Republicans went from 22 to 29 governors.

**Awards and Honors.** For his leadership after Katrina, Governor Barbour was awarded the Thomas Jefferson Freedom Award, which is presented to a nationally recognized leader by the bipartisan American Legislative Exchange Council. He was also named Governor of the Year for 2006 by Washington, D.C.-based *Governing* magazine; awarded the Gulf Guardian Award by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for his work to rebuild and protect sensitive Coast ecosystems; and received the 2008 Adam Smith Medal from BIPAC for his pursuit of the principles of free enterprise as Mississippi's 63rd governor.

**Philip B.W. Becker**  
**2016 Chair**  
**REALTORS® Young Professionals Network Advisory Board**

Philip B.W Becker is the founder of Becker Properties in San Antonio, TX and has been a REALTOR® since 2009. He was named the San Antonio Board of REALTORS® Rookie of the Year in 2010. He is a graduate of the Texas REALTORS® Leadership Program, and served as the youngest member of the San Antonio Board of REALTORS® Board of Directors from 2012-2014. He was appointed to the Texas CRS Chapter Board of Directors as chair of Public Relations and co-chair of Chapter with a Heart for 2013. He was named the Texas CRS Chapter's 2013 CRS of the Year and was the 2014 secretary of the Executive Board. He was the peer-to-peer (profiles of people to watch) national featured agent in CRS's The Residential Specialist Magazine in summer 2014.

He was named one of the 30 under 30 from REALTOR® Magazine in 2014. He has served CRS National as a member of both the Product Review and National Nominating Committees. Philip is a Golden R major investor in RPAC and a member of the RPAC President's Circle. Philip currently serves on the National Association of REALTORS® Strategic Thinking Advisory Committee. Last, but certainly not least, Philip served on the National Association of REALTORS® Young Professionals Network Advisory Board for 2013 and 2014, was the 2015 vice-chairman of YPN, and currently serves as the 2016 National Chair. He is a known real estate speaker with NAR, CRS, and numerous state and local boards.

Philip and Becker Properties are members of the San Antonio, Austin, Central Texas, Highland Lakes and Houston, Texas Boards of REALTORS®. When he has spare time, Philip enjoys being outdoors, traveling, spending time with family and friends and playing with his Beagle, Shiloh.

**Douglas M. Bibby**  
**President**  
**National Multifamily Housing Council**

Douglas M. Bibby is President of the National Multifamily Housing Council (NMHC), a national organization of more than 1,100 member firms involved in the multifamily housing industry. Under his leadership NMHC represents the industry on Capitol Hill and before the regulatory agencies, promotes research and the exchange of information, and advocates for rental housing across a broad spectrum of issues. Prior to joining NMHC, Bibby spent 16 years as a senior officer of Fannie Mae, where he served on the company's Management Committee throughout his tenure. He was part of the top management team that is credited with the remarkable turnaround at Fannie Mae in the book Good to Great.

Bibby began his career with the worldwide communications firm J. Walter Thompson where he served a variety of clients both domestically and internationally over his 12-year career with the company. At the time of his departure from J. Walter Thompson, he was Senior Vice President and General Manager of the firm's Washington, D.C. operations. Bibby has been active in the non-profit community of Washington, D.C. for the past 30 years.

Bibby graduated from Denison University with a B.A. degree and was honored with the university's Alumni Citation Award in 2004. He also holds a Masters of Business Administration degree from the University of Texas at Austin.

**Michael A. J. Bindman, CRB, GRI**  
**President-Elect**  
**Real Estate Business Institute**

Michael A. J. Bindman is a native of Edinburgh, Scotland and now a proud citizen of the United States. He was the 2001 and 2002 Chairman of the Pinellas REALTOR® Organization, one of the top 10 REALTOR® associations in the state of Florida and was instrumental in facilitating one of the lengthiest mergers of two large REALTOR® Associations on the west coast of Florida. He was the 2004 Florida Association of REALTORS® District 6 Vice President and served 6 years as President of PRO BIZ, and 2 years as the Chairman of the Pinellas REALTOR® Foundation. In recognition of his accomplishments, he was awarded 2005 Pinellas REALTOR® of the Year. Among Michael's numerous achievements, he was Vice-Chairman for the Board of Managers of Real Estate Industry Solutions, a for-profit subsidiary of Florida REALTORS® which was responsible for providing 150,000+ Florida REALTORS® and numerous other states with cutting edge technology and legal services. Michael is also a Certified Real Estate Mediator. In 2012 he was Chairman of Florida REALTOR'S® Leadership Academy. Currently Michael serves as the President of My Florida Regional Multiple Listing Service, a Shareholder-Owned Corporation with 44,000+ members and is the Inaugural President-Elect of the Real Estate Business Institute (REBI) formerly the Council of Real Estate Brokers and Managers. Since 1993 Michael has served in numerous leadership positions for his local, state and national REALTOR® Associations.

On a civic level, Michael serves as a member of the quasi-judicial Nuisance Abatement Board for the City of St. Petersburg, Florida and a member of the Valuation Adjustment Board for Pinellas County.

Michael and his wife Jan are Broker Owners of NextHome Gulf to Bay, one of the most innovative and technology advanced franchises in the nation. Their market covers much of the tri-county area of Pinellas, Hillsborough and Pasco counties in Florida.

**Ed Brady**  
**Chairman of the Board**  
**National Association of Home Builders**

Ed Brady, NAHB's Chairman of the Board, is a home builder and developer from Bloomington, Ill.

A second generation home builder, he is president of Brady Homes Illinois, a small single-family building and development company that was founded by his father, William Brady Sr., in 1962. One of the largest home building firms in central Illinois, Brady Homes has developed 20 residential communities throughout the state, building more than 1,800 single-family homes and developing more than 2,000 single-family lots. The company has also developed more than 100,000 square feet of commercial, retail and office space and built more than 2,000 apartment units.

Active in the NAHB leadership structure at the local, state and national levels throughout his career, Brady has served on the NAHB board of directors for more than 10 years and has been a member of the NAHB Executive Board since 2005.

He has also held seats on several committees and task forces, including the NAHB Federal Government Affairs Committee and the Budget and Finance Committee, where he served for seven years. Since 2003, Brady has been a trustee of BUILD-PAC, NAHB's political action committee, and he served as its chairman in 2008.

Brady was president of the Illinois Home Builders Association in 2002, and is a past president of the Home Builders Association of Bloomington-Normal, Ill. He was named Builder of the Year by his local association in 1996 and 2002.

Actively involved in his community, Brady has served as a director of a number of organizations, including the YMCA of Bloomington-Normal, Habitat for Humanity of Illinois, and Big Brothers/Big Sisters of McLean County, Ill. He previously worked on the Bloomington Planning Commission and currently serves on the board of directors of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Chicago and the Jack Kemp Foundation.

Brady is also a member of the Bipartisan Policy Center Housing Commission, which was formed in the wake of the housing market crisis to examine the nation's housing policy and suggest new ideas and approaches to contribute to the dialogue and help further the housing policy reform debate.

In 2004, Brady received the Illinois Family Business of the Year award. He and his wife, Michele, have four children.

**Bill Brown**  
**2016 President-Elect**  
**National Association of REALTORS®**

Bill Brown, a REALTOR® from Oakland, Calif., is the 2016 President-Elect for the National Association of REALTORS®.

Bill is a second-generation REALTOR® from Oakland, California, who has been active in organized real estate for more than 35 years. He is the founder of Oakland-based Investment Properties, a division of the family real estate business founded by his father, William H. Brown, in 1964 that focuses on the sale of existing apartment buildings to both institutional and private capital investors.

Bill has served in numerous positions at the local, state, and national levels. At the national level, Bill has been an NAR Director since 1991, was the 2004 Chairman of the RPAC Trustees, has been a Liaison twice (2005 and 2011), the 2012 Regional Vice President for Region 13, comprised of California, Hawaii, and Guam. Additionally he has served on numerous committees, including Strategic Planning and Executive. He is a Golden R contributor to RPAC, a member of the President's Circle, and in 2010 was inducted into the RPAC Hall of Fame. In 2013, Bill served as vice president.

At the state level, Bill served as California Association of REALTORS® President, was honored as REALTOR® of the Year in 2008, and served on the Executive Committee six times.

At the local level, Bill served as president of the Oakland Association of REALTORS® in 1984, and served on numerous local association committees. He chaired successful campaigns to fight two rent control initiatives in Oakland, California – No on E and No on EE. Bill also was selected by then-Oakland Mayor Lionel Wilson to serve as the first landlord representative on the City of Oakland's Residential Rent Arbitration Board.

Bill and his wife, Heather, are proud parents to their son, Cole.

**Ron Cooper**  
**President**  
**National Association of Real Estate Brokers**

Ron Cooper established his successful Los Angeles, California-based real estate brokerage and management company, R.S. Cooper & Associates, in 1983, specializing in the maintenance, marketing and disposition of REO properties. Mr. Cooper's stellar reputation, professionalism and expertise have positioned his company to service an enviable list of corporate and individual clients. The 30 real estate agents carrying the R.S. Cooper & Associates brand, are integral parts of a brokerage that provides full-service and custom care to the company's client base.

Mr. Cooper has methodically grown his company over more than 29 years in the fast-paced southern California real estate arena. At the company's inception, Ron guided his realty firm into a specialty overlooked by a number of his industry competitors. Today, his "Production Team" service model continues to enable the company to perform the administrative, marketing, sales, property management, maintenance, and client liaison functions that are key to handling REO properties. His experience and business model have set the standard for other brokerages building an REO-focused client base. Active in industry trade groups, Mr. Cooper holds membership and is active in the California Association of Real Estate Brokers (CAREB); the Consolidated Board of Realtists; the Southwest Los Angeles Board of Realtors; the National Association of Realtors; the California Association of Realtors, and the National Association of Real Estate Brokers. His proven leadership skills have been recognized and utilized by a number of organizations whether on the local, state, regional or national level. He has served as NAREB'S Region XV Vice President, a National Board Member and past President of the Consolidated Realty Board. He also served on the Freddie Mac Real Estate Advisory Group. Most notably, Mr. Cooper is President of the nation's oldest minority trade association.

Mr. Cooper resides in Los Angeles and is a graduate of the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA).

**Stephanie Cutter**  
**Top Political Strategist, Senior Advisor to President Obama, and Media Commentator**

A trusted advisor to America's most powerful democratic leaders, Stephanie Cutter shares an insider's perspective on today's political headlines and the upcoming race for the White House. Called "one of the most prominent voices in the [Democratic] party, and one of its top strategists and crisis managers" by *POLITICO*, her political and communications experience spans two decades in both the public and private sectors. *The New York Times* called her "the polished, sometimes scarily organized strategist who gets things done" who "has a long and favorable reputation with some of the most influential journalists and opinion makers in Washington." *GQ* named her one of the "50 Most Powerful People in Washington."

Cutter has been at the center of every major policy and political debate for the last 20 years. One of the country's preeminent strategists, she is revered for her gritty perseverance and straightforward approach to analyzing the difficult issues and political headlines of the day. A frequent face on CNN, she is currently a political commentator on the network and a former *Crossfire* co-host. From her unique vantage point, she offers an enlightening look at the current state of politics.

**Getting the Right Message Heard in the White House and on Capitol Hill.** From the halls of Congress to the campaign trail and from the West Wing to the C-Suite, Cutter is one of the foremost experts at weaving together political strategies to create a winning narrative. As the *Atlantic* notes, "Cutter's ability to drive home a message with force and clarity is prized." She served as deputy campaign manager for President Obama's successful 2012 re-election campaign, deploying ground-breaking techniques to reach the American people and steer the campaign to victory.

Before joining the campaign, Cutter was a deputy senior adviser to President Obama, overseeing White House communications strategy. She crafted the confirmation strategy for Supreme Court Justice Sonia Sotomayor and helped create the First Lady's successful Let's Move! campaign. In 2009, she served as counselor to Treasury Secretary Tim Geithner, handling the strategy behind Obama's Financial Stability Plan. Prior to that, Cutter was the chief spokesperson for the Obama-Biden transition team and served as Michelle Obama's chief of staff for the 2008 campaign.

From 2005–2006, She also served as a senior strategist and advisor to Senators Harry Reid (then-minority leader), John Kerry, and Edward M. Kennedy. In this dual role, she crafted and managed a strategic messaging campaign that led to the Democratic takeover in the 2006 midterm elections. In fall of 2003, the John Kerry brought in Cutter to develop a communications plan to reposition him for victory in the Democratic primaries. After the campaign's come-from-behind upset, she worked as communications director for his presidential bid. From 1994–2001, she also held several positions in the Clinton Administration including White House deputy communications director.

**Developing a Precise Strategy.** She is a founding partner of Precision Strategies, which specializes in data-driven branding, message, digital, and grassroots mobilizing campaigns for Fortune 500 companies, private organizations, non-profits and political campaigns.



**Bill Emerson  
Chairman  
Mortgage Bankers Association**

Bill Emerson is Chief Executive Officer of Quicken Loans, Inc., the nation's largest online home loan lender and second largest retail mortgage lender. He is responsible for the leadership and growth of Quicken Loans.

Bill joined the company in 1993 as a mortgage banker. His passion and commitment for learning and growing, and his zeal for taking care of clients, helped him take on many roles at the company.

Bill's leadership ability afforded him the opportunity to run several business units at Quicken Loans as well as lead mortgage operations for the company, where he was responsible for driving performance within Quicken Loans' businesses.

In February of 2002, Emerson was promoted to Chief Executive Officer.

Detroit-based Quicken Loans employs nearly 12,000 team members and closed \$140 billion in home loan volume across all 50 states in 2013-2014. The company ranked "Highest in Customer Satisfaction in Primary Mortgage Origination" in the United States by J.D. Power for the past five consecutive years, 2010 - 2014, and also ranked highest in customer satisfaction among all mortgage servicers in 2014.

Quicken Loans ranked No. 12 on FORTUNE magazine's annual "100 Best Companies to Work For" list in 2015, and has been named among the top-30 companies on the list for 12 consecutive years. The company has been recognized as one of *Computernworld* magazine's '100 Best Places to Work in IT' the past 10 years, ranking No. 1 in 2014, 2013, 2007, 2006 and 2005. Quicken Loans was also ranked as the nation's best employer in Workplace Dynamics' 2013 National Top Workplace list. The benchmark study of more than 870 companies based its rankings solely on feedback gathered through an employee survey.

Bill is an active spokesperson on the housing industry and has testified before the United States Senate Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs and the House Financial Services Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit. He serves as Chairman of the Mortgage Bankers Association. In addition, Bill is the former Chairman of MBA's Diversity Committee and former Vice-Chairman of MBA's Residential Board of Governors. He serves on the MBA's Board of Directors and is a member of the Financial Services Roundtable's Housing Policy Council and the HPC's executive council.

Bill is a member of the Board of Directors of Xenith, Inc., a football helmet company dedicated to advancing safety through innovation and education; the Detroit Economic Club; the Detroit Parade Company and the Skillman Foundation.

Dedicated to his community, Bill has been the recipient of the ALS Association's Iron Horse Award and the Salvation Army's prestigious William Booth Award, the non-profit's highest honor. He also supports the Alzheimer's Association Greater Michigan Chapter.

Bill earned a bachelor's degree in business from Penn State, where he was a member of the University's 1982 National Championship football team.

Bill and his wife reside in the Detroit area with their two children.

**Allen Gump, SIOR, CCIM**  
**President**  
**Society of Industrial and Office REALTORS®**

Allen Gump has been a top producing real estate broker in the Dallas/Fort Worth market for twenty-nine years. Allen Gump joined Colliers International as Managing Director for the Dallas office in May of 2002. Prior to joining Colliers International, Allen was the Senior Managing Director for Kennedy Wilson's Dallas office. He earned the Top Producer and Pinnacle Awards for 2000 while at Kennedy Wilson. Allen is a recipient of the Colliers International 2003 International Award of Excellence and has been named a top producer every year since 2007.

Allen earned the Society of Industrial and Office REALTORS® (SIOR) designation in 1991 and the Certified Commercial Investment Member (CCIM) designation in 2009. He has been on the Executive Committee of the North Texas Chapter of SIOR 1996. He has served on various national SIOR committees and the Board of Governors for the Council of Commercial Realtors. In 2003, he served as president of the North Texas Chapter SIOR. Nationally, he served as Speaker for the Council of Chapter Presidents in 2004 and as Regional Vice President of the Southwest Region for 2006-2007. Allen recently completed his term as President of the SIOR Foundation. He currently serves as a member of the Executive Committee for CCIM.

Allen grew up in Dallas and lives with his wife Kim. They have 2 grown daughters, Lauren who teaches school and Allyson who works with Allen at Colliers International. Allen has served in various capacities for the YMCA since graduating college. He has served as Fundraising Chair for Ursuline Academy.

**Mabél Guzmán AHWD**  
**Real Estate Advocate**  
**2014 Chair, NAR Conventional Financing and Policy Committee**

Mabél Guzmán, AHWD, currently Broker for @properties, has been advocating for clients/consumers and the industry since 1997; she is known for tell-it-like-it-is honesty and ability to build relationships. A veteran REALTOR®, Mabél is recognized for her tireless work on local, state and national issues that impact REALTOR® members and the industry. She was the 2011 President for the Chicago Association of REALTORS® where she initiated the “Chicago Difference” and charged the Finance Committee to reduce member dues; which Inman recognized the Association for its innovation. As President she traveled to Poland on a trade mission and presented to WSPON members the value of a REALTOR® and signed an accord between the two associations to collaborate on Education and Advocacy.

Passionate about the role of real estate in public policy, she most recently testified before the United States Senate subcommittee about Inequality and Opportunity in Housing, where she represented the over 1 million members of NAR. As the 2014 Chair of Conventional Finance and Policy Committee she moderated a panel discussion at the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB) where its Director Richard Cordray was a panelist. She also participated in the GSE Reform Presidential Advisory Work Group, and Chaired the Student Loan Debt Work Group. She was the 2015 Liaison to Committees for Global Real Estate at NAR. And at the state level, she was the 2013 Chair of the Government Affairs and Public Policy Member Involvement a Group. She participated in the Illinois Association of REALTORS® Condo working group in creation of HB 2664 to set a bright line on foreclosed condo fees, and initiated a property tax work group to start a dialogue with legislators and educate consumers.

Mabél was one of the driving forces behind City of Chicago efforts to implement the federal Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP), by crafting the Request for Proposal (RFP) through which 40 REALTORS® were hired to acquire foreclosed properties in 25 targeted areas. Also an advocate of fair tax policies, Mabél worked with the City of Chicago to ensure that more than 30,000 city homeowners had the opportunity to file tax appeals.

Mabél is a member of the Women’s Council of REALTORS® - Chicago Chapter and its 2002 President and the 2009 Member of the Year. She was awarded the 2012 Community Achievement Award by the Chicago Chapter of the National Association of Hispanic Real Estate Practitioners (NAHREP) and was the awarded the 2012 REALTOR® of the Year by the Chicago Association of REALTORS®; and in 2014 and 2015 received the Presidential Medallion for Outstanding Service from the Illinois Association of REALTORS®.

A former anchor on “Real Estate On Radio,” WLS-AM 890, Mabél advocated for consumer use of REALTORS® and provided relevant real estate information to educate the public. She was Director and Interim COO, Chief Ops Officer, for EdgeAlliance; a housing agency that provides Housing for Homeless Individuals and Families with HIV/AIDS. Also, known for her charitable contributions, specifically Habitat for Humanity, with which she has traveled to the Gulf Coast on five separate occasions to assist rebuilding efforts and in 2014 was part of the core group building three habitat homes for needy families, with the Illinois Association of REALTORS®. She is a Trustee of the First United Methodist Church of Chicago Aid Society and an active volunteer cook with the First United Methodist Church at Temple’s Homeless Ministry; which provides meals to 150+ people weekly.

**Gail M. Hartnett**  
**2016 Public and Federal Issues Group Liaison**  
**National Association of REALTORS®**

Gail Hartnett, a REALTOR®, from Boise, Idaho, is the National Association of REALTORS® 2016 Public and Federal Issues Group Liaison.

Hartnett, a REALTOR® for more than 20 years, is an associate in the Boise office of Keller Williams Realty, specializing in residential property. She holds professional designations from the Performance Management Network (PMN) and is an Accredited Buyers Representative (ABR®). She is also a certified Council of Residential Specialists (CRS®).

On the national level, Hartnett sits on the NAR Board of Directors and was the 2012 Region XII Vice President. She has served on the NAR Executive Committee, as well as the Federal Taxation, Public Policy, and RPIC committees. She also served as a Federal Political Coordinator and has been an RPAC Trustee. In 2010, she was inducted into the NAR Hall of Fame. The Women's Council of REALTORS® elected her their national president in 2006.

Hartnett served as President of the Idaho Association of REALTORS® in 2007. She has been a State Director and served on the IAR Executive Committee since 2002. She chaired the Public Policy and Professional Development committees and is an NAR trained mediator.

At the local level, she was President of the Ada County Association of REALTORS® in 1999. ACAR named her REALTOR® of the Year in 1998, and she received a Distinguished Service Award in 1997. She served on committees for Ethics, Professional Standards, Education, MLS, and Legislative, and chaired the REALTOR® Outreach Committee.

She is currently serving on the Advisory Board of the Idaho State Meth Project. In 2001 she was a Tribute to Woman in Industry (TWIN) Award recipient. She recently took on the challenge of running for the Idaho State Legislature and is using the experience to help others who want to become community leaders.

Married to her husband, Ron, for more than 40 years, they have three children and five grandchildren.

**Katty Kay**  
**Author & Lead Anchor**  
**BBC World News America**

Katty (pronounced CAT-TEE) Kay is the lead anchor for *BBC World News America*. Prior to taking over as lead anchor, Kay served as the Washington correspondent for BBC since 2002. Kay's career with the BBC began in Zimbabwe in 1990 where she started filing radio reports for BBC World Service radio. From there she also covered the end of apartheid in South Africa.

Kay then went on to work as a BBC correspondent in London, and later Tokyo, reporting on stories including the Kobe earthquake and the Japanese economic recession. She settled in Washington in 1996 where she took some time out of broadcast journalism to join *The Times'* (the British newspaper) Washington bureau before returning to the BBC in 2002.

From Washington, Kay covers the full gamut of American and global affairs – reporting on U.S. elections, the White House, Congress, Wall Street, global economies and world trouble spots. She also witnessed and reported on the huge change in American policy and psyche brought on by the attacks of September 11. Kay was at the Pentagon just 20 minutes after a hijacked airplane flew into the building – one of her most vivid journalistic memories is of interviewing soldiers still visibly shaking from the attack.

Katty's reports on the latest U.S. economic and political news are also carried by BBC News channels globally, giving her a vast international audience. Kay is a frequent guest commentator on NBC's *Meet the Press* and MSNBC's *Morning Joe* where she also frequently serves as guest co-host.

Katty is a popular speaker who addresses both current political events and issues impacting women. Katty's talks on American politics and global affairs offer the fresh perspective of someone who has lived in and reported from the Middle East, Africa, Asia, Europe, and now Washington, D.C. She looks beyond the headlines and provides valuable insights on the top stories making news right now -- the challenges facing the President and Congress, the outlook for the next major U.S. election, global economic news, world trouble spots, diplomatic dustups, terrorism, and more. Additionally, the challenges of juggling a demanding career and a family with four children led her to speak and write on two topics that strongly resonate with women: confidence and something she calls "Womenomics."

Katty Kay is co-author of two *New York Times* best-sellers. The latest is *The Confidence Code: The Science and Art of Self-Assurance—What Women Should Know*. In it she makes the case that confidence has roots in genetic hard-wiring but also comes by choice: less people-pleasing and perfectionism and more action, risk-taking, and fast failure. In her first book, *Womenomics: Write Your Own Rules for Success*, Kay explores how women can create a professional life that meets their needs – and in the process creates more profitable companies with happier and more productive employees.

**Jessica Lautz**  
**Managing Director, Survey Research and Communications**  
**National Association of REALTORS®**

Jessica Lautz is the Managing Director of Survey Research and Communications. Jessica started at NAR in 2007. The core of her research focuses on demographic trends for both NAR members and housing consumers, and issues such as: how housing preferences shift in an ever changing market place, the consistent trends of consumers for the desire to own a home, consumers search to find a real estate agent, and generational trends.

She writes annual studies including the Member Profile, the Commercial Member Profile, the Profile of Home Buyers and Sellers, the Home Buyer and Seller Generational Trends report, the Investment and Vacation Home Buyers Survey, the Profile of Buyers' Home Feature Preferences, Remodeling Impact, HOME Survey and the Profile of Real Estate Firms. Jessica discusses the results of these studies in blog articles, Twitter chats, webinars, as well as in major media outlets and keynote presentations.

Jessica also manages the Research content and presence on Realtor.org and social networking sites. She reviews, schedules and coordinates posting on Research's blog and social media websites to ensure there is a variety of content that engages members and consumers on topics of the day relevant to these audiences.

Additionally, in conjunction with the Market Research Department, Jessica provides association-wide survey review and oversight in order to assist other departments with designing the best survey instruments and utilizing proper methodologies. Jessica provides guidance on survey best practices and educates NAR Departments and committees on how to achieve the best survey results.

Jessica is a graduate of the American University Master's of Public Policy Program and has undergraduate degrees in Political Science and Law and Justice from Central Washington University. She is currently pursuing her doctorate of Real Estate from Nottingham Trent University. Her thesis is: "Is the Dream Still Alive? Tracking Homeownership Amid Changing Economic and Demographic Conditions".

**Vince Malta**  
**2016 REALTOR® Party Member Involvement Liaison**  
**National Association of REALTORS®**

Vince Malta, a REALTOR® in San Francisco, Calif., is the 2016 REALTOR® Party Member Involvement Liaison at the National Association of REALTORS®.

Malta is a third-generation REALTOR® and the CEO of Malta & Co., Inc., a real estate brokerage firm in San Francisco. He is a graduate of the University of San Francisco and the University Of San Francisco, School Of Law. Malta has been in the real estate business for more than 40 years and has served the industry in countless roles.

Since 1988, Malta has been deeply involved with the California Association of REALTORS® (CAR). In 2002, he became an Honorary State Director for Life and the 2006 CAR President. He was awarded REALTOR® of the Year for the state of California in 2007.

On the national level, Malta has testified before Congress multiple times on behalf of NAR on issues such as the impact of increasing conforming loan limits, insurance reform and housing policy. He has served on the NAR Board of Directors from 2002 to the present, and was NAR's Vice President in 2010 and 2011.

**Patricia McClung**  
**Assistant Director for Mortgage Markets**  
**Consumer Financial Protection Bureau**

Patricia McClung is the Assistant Director for Mortgage Markets at the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB). Prior to coming to the Bureau, Ms. McClung worked at Federal Housing Administration (FHA) as a senior housing policy advisor. Ms. McClung became the acting Director of Program Development in Single Family Housing, with responsibility for the Home Mortgage Insurance Division, Valuation Division, and Program Support Divisions. Before joining FHA, Ms. McClung worked at Realtors Property Resource®, a technology subsidiary of National Association of REALTORS®. A veteran of the mortgage industry, the majority of Ms. McClung's career was spent at Freddie Mac where she held numerous positions throughout the agency. Ms. McClung holds a B.S. in economics from George Mason University.



**Daniel McCue**  
**Senior Research Associate**  
**Joint Center for Housing Studies, Harvard University**

Daniel McCue is a Senior Research Associate at the Joint Center. He is involved in much of the research and major reports produced by the Center, most notably in the signature annual State of the Nation's Housing reports, for which he is project manager and lead author. His research has covered a wide range of housing-related issues related to demographics, homeownership and rental market trends, affordable housing policies and programs, mortgage markets, and other topics. Recently, he also created the Center's latest household growth projections, which is available on the JCHS website. Prior to joining the Center in 2005, Dan was an associate planner at the Berkshire Regional Planning Commission in Pittsfield, Massachusetts. He is a graduate of Williams College in Williamstown, Massachusetts and holds a Master in Urban Planning degree from the Harvard University Graduate School of Design.

**Thomas McGee**  
**President & CEO**  
**International Council of Shopping Centers**

Thomas (Tom) McGee is the President and Chief Executive Officer of the International Council of Shopping Centers (ICSC). He was elected to the position of President and CEO on September 21, 2015, becoming only the fourth CEO in the association's almost sixty-year history.

As CEO, his main focus is the advancement of the shopping center industry for the benefit of ICSC members world-wide. McGee believes that retail real estate is an industry central to economic development and opportunity and that shopping centers and the people that work in all aspects of the industry are a critical component of the social fabric of, and an economic engine for, the communities they serve.

Prior to joining ICSC, McGee served as Vice Chairman of Deloitte, LLP, one of the world's largest professional services organizations with more than 200,000 professionals in member firms in over 150 countries. During his 26 years with Deloitte, he held major global and U.S. leadership roles in addition to Vice Chairman, including, Deputy CEO, National Managing Partner of M&A Services and Global Chief of Staff. He was also a member of Deloitte's Global and US Executive and Operational Leadership Committees.

A noted business speaker, McGee also has significant media experience, with appearances on CNBC, Bloomberg and Fox Business and is frequently quoted in national media outlets including The Wall Street Journal, USA Today and CFO Magazine.

He is also active in numerous civic, charitable, and academic organizations. He is the incoming Chairman of Covenant House International, and member of the New York Catholic Foundation Board, as well as the Finance Council of the Archdiocese of New York and the Board of Regents of Loyola Marymount University, his alma mater.

McGee lives in Basking Ridge, New Jersey, with his wife, Charlene, and their two daughters. He grew up in Southern California, is an avid sports fan — he supports the Lakers — and is a huge fan of golf.

**Michael C. McGrew**  
**2016 Treasurer**  
**National Association of REALTORS®**

Michael C. McGrew, a REALTOR® for more than 30 years, in Lawrence, Kan., is the 2016 Treasurer for the National Association of REALTORS®. The National Association of REALTORS®, The Voice for Real Estate®, (NAR) is America's largest trade association, representing 1 million members involved in all aspects of the residential and commercial real estate industries.

Mike is the CEO/Chairman of McGrew Real Estate, a firm specializing in residential and commercial real estate and development. He has earned designations as a Certified Residential Specialist (CRS) and a Certified Real Estate Brokerage Manager (CRB).

Mike has held many roles at the national level. He has served for nine years on NAR's Board of Directors and five years on the Executive Committee. He was the 2014 Treasurer and chaired both the Finance Committee and the Reserve Investment Advisory Board, both of which he has been a member since 2010. Mike is on the board of directors of Sentrilock, the REALTOR® Relief Foundation and the Reaume Foundation. Previously, he chaired committees for Federal Taxation and Risk Management. He has been a member on committees including budgeting, business issues, and public policy. Mike served NAR as the Vice President for Region 9 in 2003. He was inducted into the Omega Tau Rho honorary fraternity in 1998 and the RPAC Hall of Fame in 2010.

The Kansas Association of REALTORS® (KAR) elected Mike their president in 1998. He has been a federal political coordinator since 2005 and a state RPAC Trustee since 1996. He has chaired committees including governmental affairs, business plan design and strategic planning. He was named the 2000 REALTOR® of the Year and in 2004 he was honored with the Distinguished Service Award. He is also a member of the Missouri Association of REALTORS® (MAR) where he has served on its Finance Committee.

Mike is a member of the Lawrence Board of REALTORS®. He served as its secretary and on the board. He continues to be a member of the Government Affairs Committee which he has previously chaired. In 1995 he was named the REALTOR® of the Year and in 2008 he received the Lawrence Distinguished Service Award.

Mike is committed to his community. He is the 2014 Chairman for the Lawrence Chamber of Commerce and has been a member of its board of directors for 8 years. He continues to serve as a trustee of the Douglas County Community Foundation since 2008. He is a past chairman, and recipient of the Distinguished Service Award for the Bert Nash Mental Health Facility and continues as a member of its Finance Committee.

Mike is a graduate of the School of Business at Kansas University. A third-generation REALTOR® raised in Lawrence, Mike and his wife, Christine, have two adult children, John and Nicole.

**Sherri Meadows**  
**2016 Vice President**  
**National Association of REALTORS®**

Sherri Meadows, a REALTOR® from Ocala, Fla., is the 2016 Vice President of the National Association of REALTORS®. NAR, The Voice for Real Estate®, is America's largest trade association, representing 1 million members involved in all aspects of the residential and commercial real estate industries.

A REALTOR® for over 33 years, Sherri is broker/owner of three Keller Williams offices in Gainesville, Ocala, and Summerfield, Fla., specializing in luxury and international properties and farms. She has the professional designations of a Certified International Property Specialist (CIPS); Certified Real Estate Manager (CRB); Performance Management Network (PMN); and is a Graduate, REALTOR® Institute (GRI).

Passionate about NAR, Sherri has served on the Board of Directors since 2007. She chaired the REALTOR® Party Member Involvement Committee in 2013 and the Membership Structure Audit Presidential Advisory Group in 2012.

The Florida Association of REALTORS® (FAR) elected Sherri their president in 2014. She has served on FAR's Board of Directors since 2003. In 2015, Sherri was named their REALTOR® of the Year, and in 2007, they awarded her the REALTOR® Achievement Award.

The Ocala/Marion County Association of REALTORS® elected Sherri their president in 2002. She has served on numerous committees and task forces.

In 2009, Sherri was appointed to the Marion County Land Development Regulation Commission. In the same year, Governor Charlie Crist appointed her to the board of Florida Health Choices Inc., Florida's health insurance exchange website. Sherri has served as vice-chair of the Florida Health Choices board since 2009.

Sherri studied accounting at the University of Florida. She and her family share a love of the real estate profession and work together at their Keller Williams offices. They enjoy spending time together on their farm.

**Elizabeth Mendenhall**  
**2016 First Vice President**  
**National Association of REALTORS®**

Elizabeth Mendenhall, a REALTOR® from Columbia, Mo., is the 2016 First Vice President of the National Association of REALTORS® (NAR). NAR, “The Voice for Real Estate®,” is America’s largest trade association, representing 1 million REALTORS® involved in all aspects of the residential and commercial real estate industries.

Elizabeth is the CEO for RE/MAX Boone Realty in Columbia and has been a REALTOR® for 19 years. RE/MAX named her the “Mid-States Missouri Broker-Owner of the Year” in 2009 and the “International Broker Manager of the Year” in 2006. She is a sixth-generation REALTOR®.

She has received designations as an Accredited Buyer Representative (ABR®), Accredited Buyer Representative Manager (ABRM), Certified International Property Specialist (CIPS), Council of Real Estate Brokerage Managers (CRB), Performance Management Network (PMN), e-PRO® specialist, Learning Certified Instructor (LCI), and is a Graduate of the REALTOR® Institute (GRI). She is a member of the Women’s Council of REALTORS® (WCR) and the Real Estate Buyer’s Agent Council.

On the national level, Elizabeth currently serves on NAR’s Executive Committee, Board of Directors and Leadership Team. She chaired the Strategic Planning Committee in 2012 and served as Vice President of Committees in 2011. She was the NAR Liaison to Association Leadership in 2008.

In 2010, the Missouri Association of REALTORS® elected Elizabeth president. She also served as president of the Missouri WCR in 2004. The Missouri WCR named her “Business Woman of the Year” and “Member of the Year,” in 2007.

For her local association, the Columbia Board of REALTORS®, Elizabeth chaired the Professional Standards Committee in 2012. She served as president and was named their “REALTOR® of the Year” in 2003.

Active in her community, Elizabeth has served on the board of directors for the Columbia Chamber of Commerce, the local United Way, and Job Point. She also founded and served as the first president of the Mid-Missouri Affiliate for the Susan G. Komen for the Cure foundation. In 2001, the Columbia Business Times named her in their “40 Under 40” inaugural class.

**Steven W. Moreira, CCIM  
President  
CCIM Institute**

Steven W. Moreira, CCIM, president and owner of SWM Capital Advisors in Longwood, Florida, has more than 35 years of experience in commercial real estate and specializes in arranging structured financing for the acquisition of institutional quality investments. His clients range from high net-worth individuals and families to hedge funds. Moreira's long-term engagement with CCIM Institute includes serving on CCIM Institute's Board of Directors for more than 12 years, as well as involvement with many of CCIM's committees, including the Chapter Activities, National Legislative, and Strategic Planning. He has also held the positions of 2013 Presidential Liaison, Regional Vice President, and Florida CCIM Chapter President. Moreira is a graduate of the inaugural class of CCIM Institute's Jay W. Levine Leadership Development Academy and has served on CCIM Technologies and CCIM Foundation Boards of Directors.

**Robert (Rob) S. Nichols**  
**President and CEO**  
**American Bankers Association**

Rob Nichols is the president and CEO of the American Bankers Association, a 140-year old association that represents banks of all sizes and charters and is the voice for the nation's \$15 trillion banking industry.

Nichols joined the ABA in August 2015, following ten years of service as the president and CEO of the Financial Services Forum, a non-partisan financial and economic policy organization. At the Forum, Nichols provided strategic leadership and coordinated the group's efforts to educate the public about the importance of robust capital markets, encourage a competitive global marketplace, and shape the national and international regulatory dialogue.

Before joining the Forum, Nichols was Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Public Affairs, a position requiring confirmation by the United States Senate. In that capacity, Nichols oversaw all public affairs efforts for a \$12 billion federal agency with 117,000 employees and played a leading role in educating the American people about tax and currency policy, debt management, Social Security and Medicare financing, the U.S. government's strategy to freeze terrorists' assets and restrict the flow of money that enables terror, and a host of international and emerging market issues that impact the U.S. economy. Nichols also oversaw the Office of Public Liaison. Nichols is a recipient of the Alexander Hamilton Award, the highest honor of the U.S. Department of the Treasury.

Before joining the Department of the Treasury, Nichols' career highlights included service as communications director for the Electronic Industries Alliance, a trade organization that represents 1300 U.S. high-technology manufacturers; as a senior aide on Capitol Hill, where he was Communications Director to U.S. Senator Slade Gorton and Press Secretary to the late Congresswoman Jennifer Dunn, a former member of the House leadership; and in the West Wing as an aide in the Office of the Chief of Staff in the George H.W. Bush administration.

Nichols is a graduate of the George Washington University. Nichols is a member of the Board of Trustees of the National Presbyterian School. He is Vice Chair of the Board of Directors of Food Allergy Research & Education (FARE) which works on behalf of the 15 million Americans with food allergies, including all those at risk for life-threatening anaphylaxis. This potentially deadly disease affects 1 in 13 children in the United States – or roughly two in every classroom.

**Eric Sain**  
**2016 Vice Chair**  
**NAR Public Policy Coordinating Committee**

Eric Sain, GRI, has far-reaching influence in real estate services in his local Palm Beach County market, Florida REALTORS® and nationally. His dedication to the real estate community has been recognized on all levels with the highest honors and he continues to serve the industry in key leadership roles. Eric maintains a high profile business and delivers stellar service to his clients with professionalism, honesty, and integrity. Born and raised in North Carolina, Eric is a distinguished graduate of the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. Since 1998, Eric has been a REALTOR® in the Palm Beaches and specializes in revitalized Intracoastal historic communities, downtown neighborhoods and oceanfront condominiums. He prides himself on being able to deliver up-to-date market analyses, the latest market trends and industry government knowledge to help his clients make key decisions for their future.

Eric, a former President of the REALTORS® Association of the Palm Beaches (RAPB), has served as the Chairman of Government Affairs, YPN Committee, and the Finance Committee. He has served as a Florida REALTORS® Director since 2005. During his involvement at RAPB, Eric has been awarded the Rising Star Award (2000), numerous Presidential Awards (2008, 2010 and 2011) and REALTOR® of the Year in 2010. At Florida REALTORS®, Eric has served on many committees, PAGs and subcommittees including: Public Policy Chair, Key Contact for Senator Joe Abbruzzo and Representative Dave Kerner, and as his District Vice President. In 2010, Eric was honored as the REALTOR® Associate of the Year for Florida REALTORS® (over 155,000 members). On the national level, Eric currently serves as the 2016 Vice Chair of the Public Policy Coordinating Committee, RPAC Participation Council and on the Board of Directors. He previously was the Chairman of the Legislative & Political Forum. He was chosen as one of seventeen members from throughout the county (over one million members) to take part in the Leadership Academy from which he graduated in May 2012.



**Tom Salomone**  
**2016 President**  
**National Association of REALTORS®**

Tom Salomone, a REALTOR® from Coral Springs, Fla., is the 2016 President of the National Association of REALTORS® (NAR). NAR, The Voice for Real Estate®, is America's largest trade association, representing 1 million REALTORS® involved in all aspects of the residential and commercial real estate industries.

Tom has been a licensed real estate agent for more than 40 years. He is a second generation REALTOR® and Broker/Owner of Real Estate II, Inc., a firm specializing in residential real estate. He is currently President of NAR's Board of Directors and Leadership Team, and Chair of the Executive Committee. He is also a proud member of the Women's Council of REALTORS® North Broward Chapter.

Tom was NAR's 2015 President-Elect and 2014 First Vice President. In 2012, he served as Director of REALTOR® Party Activities for NAR. He also served as the committee liaison for the Issues Mobilization, Political Involvement, and REALTOR® Political Action Committees. In 2011, he was the committee liaison to the REALTOR® Party Coordinating Committee, the RPAC Fundraising Forum, and the RPAC Trustees Committee. He chaired the 2009 Economic Issues & Residential REALTOR® Business Trends Forum and the 2008 Meeting and Conference Committee.

In 2007, Tom was NAR's Region 5 Vice President, serving Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands.

The Florida REALTORS® elected Tom their president in 2003 and treasurer in 2001. He was named Florida's REALTOR® of the Year in 2005.

Tom served as President of North Broward Association of REALTORS® from 1991 to 1992. Between 1980 and 1994, he served on and chaired every committee of the North Broward Association of REALTORS®, which merged with the REALTOR® Association of Greater Ft. Lauderdale in 1995. He was named 1992 REALTOR® of the Year for the North Broward Association. In 2003, the REALTOR® Association of Greater Ft. Lauderdale honored him with their Life Membership Award, recognizing him for outstanding performance in service to the REALTOR® Association.

Tom uses his experience in business and sports to serve the community through a number of different organizations, including the Boys & Girls Clubs of America. He has been a member of the Chamber of Commerce, a Coral Springs Charter School Business Sponsor, and a Water Control District Supervisor. He has coached over 46 sports teams in local city leagues and been a member of the Amateur Athletic Union and the United States Specialty Sports Association. He volunteers with organizations to prevent heart disease and cancer and attends St. Andrew's Church. He is the proud father of two sons, TJ and Bryce, and husband to his lovely wife, Diana.

**Lisa Sturtevant, Ph.D.**  
**Vice President of Research**  
**Executive Director of the Center for Housing Policy**  
**National Housing Conference**

Lisa A. Sturtevant, Ph.D. is NHC's Vice President for Research and Director of the Center for Housing Policy. She is responsible for setting NHC's research agenda and managing on-going research projects. Dr. Sturtevant is particularly focused on connecting NHC's research to the broader housing community. Her primary areas of research include the relationship between housing and economic development, residential mobility and demographics. She has had articles published in Growth and Change, Journal of Urban Affairs and Journal of the Center for Real Estate Studies. She is a member of the editorial board of Housing Policy Debate and is an adjunct faculty member at George Mason University and Virginia Tech.

Prior to coming to NHC in 2013, Dr. Sturtevant served as Deputy Director of the Center for Regional Analysis and Associate Research Professor at the George Mason University School of Public Policy. She worked from 2000 to 2005 in Arlington County, Virginia Department of Community Planning, Housing and Development.

Dr. Sturtevant completed her Ph.D. in public policy from George Mason University in May 2006. She received her master's degree in public policy from the University of Maryland in 2000 and a bachelor's degree in mathematical economics from Wake Forest University in 1994. She lives with her husband and two children in Alexandria, Virginia.

**Paul Taylor**  
**Author**

Paul Taylor is the author of *The Next America: Boomers, Millennials and the Looming Generational Showdown* (PublicAffairs, 2014).

The book draws on his work at the Pew Research Center, a non-partisan “fact tank” that provides information on the issues, attitudes and trends shaping America and the world. He served as the center’s executive vice president from 2003 to 2014 and oversaw all of its demographic, social and generational research.

He has given presentations on generational change to universities (including Yale, Stanford, NYU, Rutgers, Texas A&M, Marquette), think tanks, civic and professional organizations, elected officials, government executives, media organizations, labor unions, chambers of commerce and businesses (including Macy’s, Volkswagen, Allstate, UBS, General Electric, Mass Mutual, New York Life and J. Walter Thompson). He appears frequently on television and radio public affairs programs and has written for many of the nation’s leading print publications.

Prior to his work at Pew, he served as president and board chairman of the Alliance for Better Campaigns, a public interest group that sought to reduce the cost and improve the content of political campaign communication on television. Its honorary co-chairs were Walter Cronkite and former Presidents Gerald Ford and Jimmy Carter.

Prior to launching the Alliance, he was a newspaper reporter for 25 years, the last 14 at The Washington Post, where he covered three U.S. presidential campaigns and served as bureau chief in South Africa during the historic transformation from apartheid to democracy. Earlier he worked at the Philadelphia Inquirer and the Twin City (NC) Sentinel.

He is also the author of *See How They Run* (Knopf, 1990), and co-author of *The Old News Versus the New News* (Twentieth Century Fund, 1992).

He has a BA from Yale University and twice served as the visiting Ferris Professor of Journalism at Princeton University.

He and his wife live in Bethesda, Maryland. They have three grown children and two grandchildren.

**Bob Turner, ALC**  
**President**  
**REALTORS® Land Institute**

Bob Turner, ALC, is a proud REALTOR® and has been a Land Broker for over 37 years. Turner has been an active member of RLI since 1996 and earned his ALC designation in 2006. Among his many contributions to the Institute, he has served on the RLI Board of Directors, as the RLI Representative to the NAR Executive Committee, Tennessee Chapter President, and as the Chair of the 2012 National Land Conference. He personally operates farms, mobile home parks, Residential and Commercial developments, and brokers land in Tennessee, Mississippi, and Arkansas. Turner is dedicated to making the Institute the best it can be in 2016 and beyond.

**Dan Wagner**  
**2016 Commercial Liaison**  
**National Association of REALTORS®**

Dan Wagner is the 2016 Commercial Liaison for the National Association of REALTORS® and Senior Vice President of Government Relations for The Inland Real Estate Group of Companies. He has been a licensed real estate broker since 2004 and holds Series 7 and Series 63 Security licenses. Dan currently serves on numerous real estate industry, and governmental boards and committees. He is President of the Chicago Association of REALTORS® (C.A.R.) He serves on the Illinois Association of REALTORS® Board of Directors and is Vice Chair of the REALTOR® Political Action Committee Trustees.

For the National Association of REALTORS®, he was the 2015 Chairman of the Commercial Legislative and Regulatory Advisory Board. He is also a commissioner on the DuPage Airport Authority and serves as the Chairman of the Authority's Capital Development Committee. He is Chairman of the Greater Oak Brook Chamber of Commerce and actively involved with the Village of Oak Brook.

As a member of the International Council of Shopping Centers, Dan has been a significant contributor and advocate for the Marketplace Fairness Act currently in debate by the U.S. Congress. Dan is also a member of the Investment Program Association's Public Affairs Committee and part of the Real Estate Roundtable's 1031 Like Kind Exchange Coalition. He is a board member for the Civic Federation of Chicago and active in the Illinois Chamber of Commerce, Illinois Manufacturers Association, Illinois Retail Merchants Association and the United States Chamber of Commerce.

In 2014, he received the Advocacy Award from the Illinois Park and Recreation Association for his work on behalf of special needs children in his community. Dan is a longtime volunteer for the Conservation Foundation and the Wellness House as well. Dan obtained his Bachelor's and Master's Degrees from Illinois State University. Dan is married and has four children, three of whom are triplets.

**Don Wilkerson, CPM**  
**Senior Vice President**  
**Institute of Real Estate Management**

Don Wilkerson, CPM, is a senior vice president of the Institute of Real Estate Management (IREM). He is president and chief executive officer of Reno-based Gaston and Wilkerson Management Group, AMO, a full-service real estate firm engaged in multifamily, commercial and industrial management as well as development and brokerage. The firm has been recognized by IREM as an Accredited Management Organization (AMO), which recognizes the highest standards of professionalism, financial performance and ethics among real estate management firms.

Wilkerson has been involved with IREM's Northern Nevada/Tahoe Chapter, where he's held numerous leadership positions and served twice as its president. In 2005, and in 2009, he was honored as the chapter's "CPM of the Year."

In addition to his involvement in IREM, he is a member of the Land Trust Alliance and currently served as the former chairman of the Nevada Land Trust, a nonprofit land trust that works with landowners and communities to protect and preserve open space. He is a licensed real estate broker in Nevada and holds a property management permit from the state of Nevada. He also is active in developing real estate and has developed apartment projects, industrial big-box warehouses, flex-office warehouses, retail shopping centers, and office buildings. Wilkerson earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Economics from the University of Nevada.

**Lawrence Yun**  
**Chief Economist and Senior Vice President of Research**  
**National Association of REALTORS®**

Lawrence Yun is Chief Economist and Senior Vice President of Research at the National Association of REALTORS®. He oversees and is responsible for a wide range of research activity for the association including NAR's Existing Home Sales statistics, Affordability Index, and Home Buyers and Sellers Profile Report. He regularly provides commentary on real estate market trends for its one million REALTOR® members.

Dr. Yun creates NAR's forecasts and participates in many economic forecasting panels, among them Blue Chip and the Harvard University Industrial Economist Council. He appears regularly on financial news outlets, is a frequent speaker at real estate conferences throughout the United States, and has testified before Congress. USA Today in 2008 listed him among the top 10 economic forecasters in the country and he has been named among the Most Influential Real Estate Leaders by INMAN News over the past several years.

Dr. Yun received his undergraduate degree from Purdue University and earned his Ph.D. from the University of Maryland at College Park.

**Melissa Zimbelman, PMN**  
**President**  
**Women's Council of REALTORS®**

Women's Council's 2016 President Melissa Zimbelman, PMN, is broker-owner of LUXE International Realty & Property Management. She has been a full-time REALTOR® for more than 15 years in the Greater Las Vegas Valley, including the areas of Las Vegas, Henderson, Summerlin, Green Valley, North Las Vegas and Nellis Air Force Base.

Melissa's involvement with Women's Council includes serving on the Executive Committee, the Leadership Academy faculty and Strategic Planning Committee, as well as serving as an RVP for Region 4, Nevada state president and Las Vegas local chapter president.

She has also served as chair for the Outreach and Communication Strategic Forum Committee, member of the Broker/Owner/Manager Program Group and as an instructor for numerous national meeting classes.

Melissa serves on the Greater Las Vegas Association's MLS Committee and is also a multi-year Sterling Club/President's Circle member for RPAC.

Melissa has shared her time and resources with various Las Vegas charities and was the founding member of Gayle's Closet, a recurring clothing drive to support ShadeTree shelter for women and children.

Melissa enjoys traveling and spending time with her family. She is the oldest of seven children, and her husband Chris is also a REALTOR®.