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2022 FINRA Advertising Regulation Conference Speaker Biographies

Surabhi Ahmad is Vice President, Compliance at Ameriprise Financial. She leads a global team charged with the compliance review of advertising, marketing and communication materials for Ameriprise and its insurance and asset management businesses, RiverSource and Columbia Threadneedle Investments. She also leads a team of compliance professionals supporting the distribution of U.S. and global products for Columbia Threadneedle through intermediary and institutional channels. Based in Boston, Ms. Ahmad joined Ameriprise Financial in 2011. She has spent the last 24 years in risk and compliance related roles within the financial services industry including leadership roles at State Street Global Advisors and Fidelity Investments. She has also worked at international firms in Singapore and India supporting clients with trade finance, immigration and corporate law needs. Her diverse and international experience has enabled her to provide a global perspective to the multiple organizations she's been a part of. Ms. Ahmad received a B.S. from Calcutta University and a Professional Law Certification from the Delhi C.S. Institute in India. She holds the Series 7 and Series 24 securities license with FINRA.

Jim Allen, Principal Analyst, has been with FINRA's Advertising Regulation Department for almost eight years in total, first joining the Department in 2008 and re-joining again this past spring. Prior to his current tenure he was with Morgan Stanley for six years in their retail product compliance group, focusing on communications with the public. Mr. Allen has been in the investment industry for more than 25 years as a registered principal, registered representative, and in several administrative and back-office roles. He holds a B.A. from SUNY Potsdam.

Johanna Anders, CSCP®, is a Managing Director and Head of Global Marketing and Communications Compliance as part of TIAA Enterprise Risk & Compliance with over 25 years of experience within the financial services industry spanning across asset management as well as banking and insurance (life and property & casualty). Her cohesive one-team approach for global support as a shared service includes providing advice to new marketing and communications initiatives from a compliance perspective, including emerging areas of communication and technology efforts such as social media and mobile applications, and guidance regarding the applicability of rules, regulatory and jurisdictional requirements, internal review standards and disclosure guidelines as well as other risk-related issues through their support of the review of marketing materials.

During her tenure at the firm, Ms. Anders has led key strategic initiatives in addition to helping further build various core Compliance functions, including developing artificial intelligence and overseeing the firm-wide Records Management program, eDiscovery and production, Electronic Communications, Retention and Monitoring, Ethics and Privacy Offices, U.S. Distribution (including Canada), Broker/Dealer Compliance and other cross-functional support such as new product initiatives, sales and distribution, business continuity planning, and ongoing tracking and analysis of regulatory developments. Ms. Anders also chaired the Nuveen Disclosure Oversight Team (NDOT) which helped to ensure that the offering documents, promotional literature and other materials used in connection with Nuveen's investment products and services contain appropriate disclosure reflecting the evolving policies, practices, market conditions and other factors affecting such products and services.

Prior to joining Nuveen, Ms. Anders was a Managing Director at Charles Schwab and has held various senior compliance positions at Ameriprise Financial, USAA and Morgan Stanley/Van Kampen which included the development of strategy for in-house and field sales force Advertising and Marketing Review, Sales Practices, Regulatory Programs, and Compliance Training and co-heading the Marketing and Hedge Fund Practices at Berger Legal.

Ms. Anders is a member of the National Society of Compliance Professionals (NSCP) and the Investment Company Institute's (ICI) Advertising Compliance Advisory Committee. She also served on the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board's (MSRB) Professional Qualifications Advisory Committee, the FINRA Series 24/26 Examination Review Committee, and the CSCP Board of Governors, Curriculum Committee and Test Development Committee. Ms. Anders received the Certified Securities Compliance Professional (CSCP) designation, earned a B.A. in Communications from Marquette University and holds the Series 6, 7, 24, 26, 51 and 63 securities registrations. Ms. Anders is a frequent industry speaker on topics involving compliance best practices and innovative ways to utilize technology in this space.

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Stephen R. Bard is a Senior Vice President and Compliance Senior Director of Social Media and Communications Compliance for Wells Fargo's Wealth and Investment Management division. He leads the oversight of the Firm's communication policies and procedures for their multiple broker dealer/investment advisor dual registrants, banking, lending, and trust; separate registered investment advisor, and clearing services. With over 25 year's industry experience, he is responsible for managing the development and implementation of a risk-based compliance program to meet federal and state regulatory requirements. His team annually reviews 70,000 pieces of communications including digital marketing submissions from social media, mobile and e-communications. He currently chairs the FINRA's Public Communications Committee; was a member of their Social Media taskforce, and participated in their BrokerCheck hyperlink working group. In addition to communication related issues, he provides guidance on registered representative access permissions, e-tools, telemarketing, privacy, and books and records requirements. Stephen's office is located in St Louis, MO.

Leon Calin is Associate Director of Enterprise Data Platforms Technology for FINRA. In shaping the direction of two teams of the Digital Experience Transformation Program, Mr. Calin's responsibilities include maintaining and enhancing FINRA's member firms Gateway. Mr. Calin also oversees the retirement of the legacy Firm and Regulatory gateways. Mr. Calin has been with FINRA since 2016 and spent his first three years leading the cloud migration of the main data sharing platform in the Enterprise Data Platforms Department. He is a seasoned manager with extensive technical background and passionate about delivering technical solution that delight customers. Before joining FINRA, Mr. Calin was in the recruiting industry and government contracting since 1997. During his 16-year career at Monster Government Solutions he evolved from software engineer to reputable manager. Mr. Calin is a and Certified Scrum Professional has a Master of Science degree in Information Technology from University of Valenciennes, France.

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Richard Choi has extensive experience advising investment companies, investment advisers, brokerdealers, and life insurance companies on federal and state securities and insurance compliance and regulatory matters. Mr. Choi's experience includes advising investment company boards, independent directors and trustees, and special committees of directors and trustees. He counsels clients on the development and distribution of sophisticated financial products, such as variable annuities, variable life insurance, and face-amount certificates. His experience also includes representation of investment advisers and investment companies in regulatory compliance inspections and examinations, opinions on the availability of 1940 Act exemptions in connection with various types of transactions, and in-house training and education seminars on a variety of regulatory and compliance matters. He has published numerous articles and regularly speaks on federal securities issues relating to variable insurance products and mutual funds. He has appeared on Bloomberg TV and has been quoted in Bloomberg, the Chicago Tribune, the Los Angeles Times, National Underwriter, U.S. Banker, the Wall Street Journal Online, and other financial and trade publications. Mr. Choi is the securities and investment companies industry group co-leader. Mr. Choi earned a B.A. from the University of Chicago and a J.D. from the University of Virginia School of Law.

Steven Choi is Associate Director in FINRA's Advertising Regulation Department. Mr. Choi's primary responsibility is managing staff members dedicated to the routine review of member firm communications. Prior to joining FINRA/NASD in 2006, he worked in the Private Client Management Group at Legg Mason, and as a Financial Advisor in the Global Private Client Group at Merrill Lynch. Mr. Choi holds a Bachelor's degree in Art History from Williams College.

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