



## **Proposed New Board Members - April 2022**

**John S. Capone**  
**Managing Partner**  
**KPMG**  
**Boston, MA**

John S. Capone is the Managing Partner in KPMG's Boston Office. He is responsible for overseeing the delivery of high quality client service, development of marketplace strategy, attracting and retaining key resources, and representing the firm in the marketplace and community. John previously served as the New England and Upstate New York Partner-in-Charge of Audit, as well as the financial services lead audit partner for Boston.

John also served as audit partner for several of our larger asset management clients in Boston and New York. He provides regulatory updates and insights into current developments and implications to investment company and investment advisory firms nationwide including: fair valuation processes and procedures, regulatory developments and compliance projects. John is an SEC reviewing partner and previously served as the U.S. Mutual Fund Segment Leader.

John has over 30 years of experience serving financial services clients. Prior to joining KPMG, John spent nearly five years in the Division of Investment Management at the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, the last two of those years, as Chief Accountant. John worked with many of the industry's most innovative and forward-looking companies to integrate the regulatory framework with current products and practices. John also provided the technical accounting support, and interpretative guidance to the SEC's Office of Compliance, Inspections and Examinations (OCIE) program. John communicated SEC staff accounting and reporting issues to the industry by authoring several of the SEC Division of Investment Management's annual Dear CFO Letters.

John is a frequent speaker at national industry conferences sponsored by the Investment Company Institute (ICI), Fund Forum, Independent Directors Counsel (IDC), Mutual Fund Directors Forum (MFDF) and other organizations. He developed and organized KPMG's Audit Committee Institute – Mutual Funds Sessions semi-annually for the past 15 years. He co-authored KPMG's White Paper on Valuation (May 2013) and developed podcasts on growth strategy, ESG and regulatory impact of rule changes for investment funds and managers.

John serves on the Philanthropic Board of Advisors for Boston Children's Hospital and as Steering Committee Member for KPMG's Family for Literacy. He enjoys coaching youth sports.

**Timothy J. DelGuidice**  
**Government Relations, Associate Director**  
**Raytheon Technologies**  
**Providence, RI**

Tim joined Raytheon in June of 2007, since then he has taken on various role of increasing responsibility from Community Relations, Strategy, Capture and Program Management. He is currently a member of the Government Relations team supporting the Raytheon Missiles and Defense business unit.

Tim is responsible for developing and executing program level to companywide congressional strategies supporting the warfighter needs and the business priorities. He is responsible for developing and maintaining relationships with key elected and appointed decision makers and their staffs with a focus on Air Force related programs as well as all foreign military sales for Raytheon Technologies.

Tim also serves as the Chairman of the SENEDIA Board of Directors. He was appointed by then Governor Raimondo to be the Chairman of the Rhode Island Council on Postsecondary Education from March 2017 to March 2022. Prior to joining Raytheon, Tim served as the Deputy District Director for Rep. Jim Langevin, D-R.I. from January 2000 to June 2007. Tim holds a BS in Leadership from Providence College.

**Rebecca Diaz**  
**Vice President of Finance and Treasurer**  
**Analog Devices, Inc.**  
**Andover, MA**

Rebecca Diaz serves as Vice President of Finance and Treasurer for Analog Devices, Inc., managing Treasury, Mergers & Acquisitions, Enterprise Data Analytics, and Government Relations. Analog Devices is a leading semiconductor company headquartered in Massachusetts, with over 23,000 employees and over \$10B in annual revenue. Rebecca has over 20 years of experience as a finance leader and strategic advisor in the semiconductor industry, the underlying technology driving much of our global economy and critical to our national security.

Prior to her current role, Rebecca served as Division CFO at Analog Devices for the Automotive, Communications, and Aerospace & Defense markets. Previously she held positions covering business finance & controllership, sales operations, and accounting management at both Analog Devices and MediaTek.

Rebecca holds an MBA from Suffolk University and a B.S. in Mathematics from the University of Massachusetts Amherst. A life-long resident of Massachusetts, she grew up in Northampton and currently lives north of Boston with her husband and 4 children.

**Grace H. Lee**  
**SVP, Director of Government Banking**  
**M&T Bank**  
**Boston, MA**

Grace has combined over twenty years of public and private sector leadership experience in Massachusetts. Grace as SVP, Director of Government Banking & Finance, manages the Government Banking Division throughout the People's United Bank's footprint. Grace joined People's United Bank in August of 2014 from Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellot, LLP where she was Special Counsel and Vice Chair of the Public Finance Group for the law firm.

Previously, Grace was General Counsel and First Deputy Treasurer of the State of Massachusetts Office of the State Treasurer and Receiver General from 2003 to 2011 where she managed the operations of the State Treasury and its divisions. As First Deputy Treasurer, Grace was statutorily authorized to assume the responsibilities of the State Treasurer in his absence or by his designation. She oversaw the operations of the Treasury and its divisions, such as Cash Management, Debt Management, Abandoned Property, Water Pollution Abatement Trust, and Administration and Finance. Additionally, Grace was responsible for managing the legal affairs of the Treasury, which included; compliance with state and federal regulations and statutes, drafting policies, and managing litigation by outside counsels and agencies. In addition, while at the State Treasurer's Office, Grace was instrumental in the passage of the legislation that established the Asian American Commission and served as the Commission's first Interim Executive Director.

Prior to joining the State Treasury, Grace was an associate at Morgan, Brown & Joy, concentrating her practice in employment discrimination, labor law and commercial litigation. Grace's other public sector experience includes her work as a civil rights attorney for the United States Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights and as Chief of the Civil Rights Division for the Norfolk County District Attorney's Office.

Grace has actively participated in community development and charitable organizations throughout her career. Currently, Grace serves as a board member of the Roxbury Community College Foundation and of the Women in Public Finance. Grace has also served as a member of the Board of Directors for the Community Resources for Justice, a member of the Finance Committee for the Asian Community Development Corporation, Council member of the Boston Bar Association, Board member of the Asian Community Development Corporation and Board of Directors member of the Asian American Lawyers Association of Massachusetts.

Grace received her Bachelors of Arts from California State University of Northridge, CA and her Jurist Doctor from New England School of Law, Boston, MA. She resides in Brookline, MA with her husband and two children.

**Ambassador (ret.) Robert A. Sherman**  
**Senior Counsel**  
**Greenberg Traurig**  
**Boston, MA**

Former Ambassador Robert A. Sherman has wide-ranging experience in government, law, and the private sector. With 30 years of legal, international, and public service experience, Bob brings a unique perspective and understanding of the global landscape in providing strategic counsel to clients on international issues, particularly involving EU countries. Because of his experience, Bob is also called upon to assist foreign governments and business entities in navigating the complexities of U.S. government agencies.

Bob is a founding member and former co-managing shareholder of the firm's Boston office. He has wide-ranging trial and regulatory experience in the areas of government investigations and litigation, internal corporate investigations - with an emphasis on Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA) compliance - as well as consumer protection matters. Bob has also represented clients in complex, high profile cases including those that have generated significant media attention. He served as co-lead counsel for hundreds of victims in the Boston Archdiocese clergy abuse scandal, which was the subject of the Academy Award-winning movie *Spotlight*.

Bob served as the United States Ambassador to Portugal from 2014–2017, having been nominated by President Barack Obama and unanimously confirmed by the United States Senate. As Ambassador, he focused heavily on bilateral economic development and international security issues, such as cybersecurity, refugees, narcoterrorism and NATO. In recognition of Bob's work in the country, Portuguese President Marcelo Rebelo de Sousa decorated him with the country's highest civilian award, the Grand Cross of the Order of Prince Henry the Navigator.

In 2017, Bob was appointed as an independent board member of a major international bank, whose majority shareholder is an American private equity firm. Bob serves as chair of the Compliance Committee focusing on EU bank regulatory requirements and anti-money laundering rules. In addition, he serves on the Board of a FinTech company based in Barcelona, Spain, where he also chairs the Risk and Legal Committee.

From 1991–1993 Bob was the Assistant Attorney General of Massachusetts and Chief of the state's Consumer Protection Division. There, he led the 45-person division which enforces the broad spectrum of laws protecting consumers.

**Nicole Verdi**  
**New England Head of Government Affairs and Policy**  
**Orsted**  
**Boston, MA**

Nicole Verdi presently works as Orsted's New England Head of Government Affairs and Policy. In this role, she is responsible for working with the New England Congressional delegation, governors' offices and state and local officials to advance Orsted's vision of a world run entirely on green energy and support successful development of Orsted's New England project portfolio.

Previously, she worked for Rhode Island Senate President Dominick Ruggerio as his Chief Legal Counsel and Senior Energy Advisor. In this role, she provided strategic leadership and oversight on senate legal matters and leadership priorities. As the head of the Senate legal department, she managed all full and part-time attorneys and oversaw the Senate's outside legal counsel.

Before working for the Senate President, she worked for Governor Gina M. Raimondo as her Deputy Chief of Staff. It was her job to support the Governor and lead the Governor's efforts to combat climate change, ensure Rhode Island's roads and bridges are safe and reliable, improve transit, and work with the state's public safety professionals to keep Rhode Islanders safe.

Before joining the Governor's Office, Ms. Verdi worked as an attorney at Adler Pollock & Sheehan (AP&S). Prior to joining AP&S, Ms. Verdi clerked for Rhode Island Supreme Court Justice, Maureen McKenna Goldberg.

Ms. Verdi presently serves the City of Providence as a Commissioner on its City Plan Commission. She is also a member of the New England Women in Energy and Environment Association and an advisor on U.S. Congressman David Cicilline's Women's Advisory Council. Previously, she served as the Board Co-Chair of a local Providence-based non-profit, Youth-in-Action and led the organization out of a structural budget deficit and through an executive director search process. She was also a founding board member of the Millennial Professional Group of Rhode Island, helping the organization through its first strategic planning process.

**Stephen J. Woerner**  
**President**  
**National Grid New England**  
**Boston, MA**

Steve joined National Grid on October 1, 2021, and brings over 30 years of experience in the energy industry. He leads 6,000 employees who serve 3 million New England electric and gas customers and is responsible for gas and electric operations in Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

Before National Grid, Steve served as President & Chief Operating Officer for Baltimore Gas and Electric (BGE), over which time the company recorded its highest performance in safety, service, reliability and customer satisfaction. While at BGE, Steve held numerous executive, leadership and technical roles, with responsibilities for distribution and transmission engineering, customer service, operations, emergency preparedness and construction management. Steve also led business transformation efforts of BGE's holding company, where he also served as a senior executive with responsibility for supply chain and other shared services.

Steve is a registered Professional Engineer with a bachelor's degree in Electrical Engineering from Drexel University and a master's degree in Business Administration from Loyola University Maryland. In his role, Steve oversees the operational and financial performance of the New England businesses, and he is responsible for relationships with government officials, regulators and the customers and communities served by National Grid. He is committed to advancing New England's clean energy objectives, while ensuring the safe, reliable and affordable delivery of energy to all customers.