



## **Proposed New Directors - Spring 2023**

### **Matthew Beaton**

**Senior Vice President, Renewable Energy and Emerging Technologies**

**TRC Companies, Inc.**

**Lowell, MA**

Matt is a senior vice president focused on renewable energy and emerging technologies. Matt leads TRC's Renewable Energy Team, an integrated early-stage project development solutions platform focusing on solar, storage, onshore and offshore wind, hydrogen and other renewable technologies. Previously, he was the Secretary of Energy and Environmental Affairs for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, where he led the operational, financial and management oversight of the Departments of Public Utilities, Energy Resources, Environmental Protection, Conservation and Recreation, Fish and Game and Agriculture. He was the Chairman of the MA Water Resources Authority, MA Energy Facilities Siting Board and the MA Clean Energy Center. Matt previously served as a legislator serving in the MA House of Representatives, is a former small business owner and is a LEED Accredited Professional who built and resides in the first certified Passive House in Massachusetts. Matt holds a B.S. in Biotechnology/Environmental Science from WPI and a M.S. in Energy and Environmental Studies from Boston University. Matt is an avid outdoorsman and resides in Shrewsbury, Massachusetts with his wife and three children.

### **Amy Carnevale**

**Government Affairs Advisor**

**K&L Gates**

**Boston, MA**

Amy Carnevale is a government affairs advisor in the firm's Boston and Washington, D.C. offices. Her practice focuses on implementing a variety of advocacy strategies to advance client objectives in the fields of healthcare policy, labor and employee benefit issues, federal funding, and economic development. She has also worked extensively on natural resources and energy policy issues. In these efforts, Amy provides both legislative and regulatory advice. She leads policy campaigns that include lobbying, coalition building, and third party advocacy.

Prior to joining the firm, Amy was chief of staff to a Northwest Member of Congress who served on the House Appropriations Committee. She managed all aspects of the office and was the Congressman's top advisor for all political and policy matters. Prior to becoming chief of staff, Amy served as legislative director and legislative assistant in the same Congressional office. In this capacity, she was responsible for a wide range of issues, including appropriations, natural resources, energy, housing, health care, labor, education, banking, budget, and taxes. Amy also has prior experience at a Washington, DC-based

think tank, and worked in the George H.W. Bush Administration at both the White House and the Office of National Drug Control Policy.

Amy is an elected member of the Massachusetts Republican State Committee and has served since 2016 on the State Party's Executive Committee. She was an elected delegate to the 2012, 2016, and 2020 Republican National Conventions and served on the Rules, Platform and Credentials Committee at the national level.

Amy was appointed in 2017 by Massachusetts Governor Charlie Baker to serve on the Governor's Commission on Intellectual Disability.

**Jared P. Ross**  
**Partner**  
**Day Pitney**  
**Boston, MA**

Jared Ross practices real estate and land use law, primarily focusing on commercial real estate acquisition, development, permitting and leasing. He has significant experience acting as outside general counsel to developers and investors in the acquisition and disposition of various real estate classes, including multifamily, hotels, office, industrial and flex space. This representation includes negotiation of acquisition/disposition agreements, due diligence and the formation of joint ventures and real estate investment funds.

In addition, Jared leads the work done by the firm on transactional construction contracts, negotiating and drafting construction-related contracts for projects ranging from small rehabilitation projects to significant developments in excess of \$100 million. This representation includes assisting with the implementation of RFP processes and drafting complicated bespoke agreements between joint ventures and contractor affiliates. Jared also has significant experience representing lenders and borrowers in connection with mortgaged backed and mezzanine loans often with complicated construction-related features.

Jared also routinely represents a broad spectrum of lenders, land owners, developers and equity participants in the area of renewable energy development and generation throughout the country. His experience involves representation of clients with negotiation and analysis of agreements, due diligence review, drafting and negotiating agreements, and strategic planning.

In addition to private practice, Jared has worked in the general counsel's office of the Boston Redevelopment Authority and for the Urban Ecology Institute, both while attending law school.

He is a graduate of Boston College and Suffolk University Law School.

**Catherine A. Saunders**

**Head of Corporate Sustainability and Public Policy**  
**Putnam Investments**  
**Boston, MA**

Ms. Saunders is Head of Corporate Sustainability and Public Policy, reporting directly to Putnam President and CEO Robert L. Reynolds. Ms. Saunders advocates for all of Putnam's stakeholders and leads the firm's corporate initiatives around environmental, social, and governance issues and public policy. She is a member of Putnam's Operating Committee, ESG Leadership Committee, Diversity Advisory Council, Pride Alliance, and the Advisory Council for the Women of Putnam. Ms. Saunders has been in the investment industry since she joined Putnam in 1987.

Ms. Saunders leverages an extensive background in retail and institutional business. Previously, she led Putnam's internal consulting team, served as Head of the Registered Investment Advisory Business, Private Bank and Trust, directed the firm's North American institutional business, and was a Regional Director for the retail business.

Ms. Saunders speaks frequently on leadership, women and wealth, diversity and inclusion, and client experience. She has received a Top Women in Asset Management Award from Money Management Executive. Ms. Saunders is Co-Chair of The Wilson Center's Policy Council, Washington, D.C., a member of the Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, a member of the YMCA of Greater Boston General Board of Directors, and a board member of Invest in Others, a charitable foundation that recognizes philanthropic contributions made by financial professionals and firms.

Ms. Saunders earned an M.B.A. from Northeastern University and a B.A. from the University of New Hampshire, and has participated in the Kellogg Women's Senior Leadership Program at Northwestern University. She also completed "Unlocking the Potential of Women" at McKinsey Academy