

2023 Philadelphia CPCU Society Chapter's Officers and Directors

President: Carmela Robinson



Carmela has been actively involved in our chapter since she was a Temple University Risk Management & Insurance student. She served as President Elect in 2022 and worked closely with Justin Schilawski and our board. Carmela has orchestrated and moderated some of our virtual chapter speaker sessions and has been a regular and dedicated supporter of our student outreach and Next Gen initiatives. Outside of her work with our chapter, Carmela currently serves as chair of the Insurance Society of Philadelphia's Next Gen Group, and works as a Multinational Underwriter for Westchester, A Chubb Company.

President Elect: Zerona Sharpe



Zerona served as Vice President in 2022. She has been an active CPCU Society member at the local level and was recently appointed as Chair of the Emerging Leaders Committee at the national Society level. Zerona works for Nationwide as an Underwriting Director and leads a team of Middle Market Business Development and Underwriting experts within the General Industries practice.

Vice President: Clinton Smith



Clinton served as a Director in 2022 and helped our chapter plan our 75th Birthday Event, as well as, volunteer/happy hour opportunity this past year. He presently works as an Account Executive with NSM Insurance Brokers, overseeing a team dedicated to the behavioral healthcare practice.

Immediate Past President: Justin Schilawski



Justin served as President in 2022. Since 2016, he's supported our chapter in various leadership roles and with committee work. He helped our chapter navigate the pandemic and partnered closely with officers and board members to focus on culture, diversity & inclusion, and vision for our chapter. He's also led and supported other CPCU Society Chapters prior to 2016, serving on the board for Idaho and Atlanta Chapters. He works as an Agency Field Leader for State Farm.

Treasurer: Stephen Hicks



Steve is our current Treasurer. He's an active chapter member and has served our chapter since achieving his CPCU in 2018. Steve has been dedicated to continuing to support the vital role he plays helping to manage our chapter finances. Steve currently works as an Underwriting Manager for Pennsylvania Lumbermens Mutual Insurance Company.

Secretary: Brian Fritz



Brian helped our chapter with communications and organizing events in 2022. He's been nominated to serve as Secretary in 2023 and be our Lead Communication Chair. Brian is a Temple University graduate and is passionate about our industry and giving back. He works at Key Strategies in Philadelphia and is a Recruiter.

Director: Polly Williams



Polly is a current Board Director and joined our Leadership Team in 2018. Polly served as our Chapter Secretary in 2022 and has supported chapter committees in the past. Polly presently works as an Underwriting Specialist for Liberty Mutual's Mid-Construction unit.

Director: Christopher Day



Chris is a current Board Director and joined our Leadership Team in 2020. He's been actively involved in our Philadelphia Chapter since 2017, regularly attending chapter meetings and events. He's served on our New Designee, Social, and Philly iDay committee chairs in past. Chris currently works as an Underwriting Specialist at CNA Insurance and also serves as a board member on the Insurance Society of Philadelphia's Next Gen.

Director: Frank Bruzzese



Frank is a current board director and joined our Leadership Team in 2020. He has been involved with the Philadelphia Chapter since obtaining his designation in 2008, regularly attending chapter meetings, events, and Philly I-Day. Frank has worked continuously in the safety profession for a number of years, joining Zenith Insurance Co. in 2001 as a Senior Safety and Health Consultant, and has since been promoted to positions of increased responsibility.

Director: Tyler Skelly



Tyler will be a new director on our board this year, and she joins our Leadership Team with an extensive background in personal lines insurance. She supported our chapter in 2022 with student outreach and is excited to give back to our chapter. Tyler works as a Senior Underwriter at Berkley Public Entity in Philadelphia.

Director: Dan Santoleri



Dan will be a new director on our board this year ...help make a positive impact on our 2022 Leadership Team. Dan works at ECBM Insurance Brokers in New Business Brokerage.

Director: Samantha String



Sam will be a new director on our board this year, she is excited to help make a positive impact on our 2022 Leadership Team. Sam's a WorldRisk Senior Underwriter at AIG.