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National Postal Forum Announces Leadership Changes on the Board of Directors

Gainesville, VA – January 1, 2024 – The National Postal Forum (NPF) proudly announces transformative changes to its Board of Directors, effective January 1, 2024, aligning with the organization's commitment to fostering innovation, education, partnership, and growth in the mailing and shipping industry.

Leadership Transitions:

- Chris Lien, Chairman: Formerly Director, Chris Lien steps into the role of Chairman, bringing thirty years of industry experience. As the Executive Vice President of Postal Affairs at BlueCrest, Inc, Lien has been a recognized industry expert, receiving the prestigious Donald A. Mumma Award in 2016.
- *J. Pierce Meyers, Director: Former Chairman,* Meyers gracefully transitions to Director. With an extensive background in postal and policy matters, he has represented mailers and postal vendors before the Postal Regulatory Commission since 1997.
- Anita J Bizzotto, Treasurer: Formerly Secretary, Bizzotto takes on the role of Treasurer. A
 31-year postal veteran, she served as Chief Marketing Officer and Executive Vice
 President at the US Postal Service, responsible for sales, product development,
 customer service, pricing, and international business.
- Dennis Farley, Secretary: Formerly a Director, Farley assumes the position of Secretary.
 With 37 years of experience, including 21 years as the Distribution Director for ESPN The Magazine, Farley has been actively involved in postal and logistic issues for all classes of mail.
- Joyce McGarvy, Outgoing Treasurer and Director: McGarvy, A former Vice President of Distribution at Crain Communications, concludes her term with the board. Ms. McGarvy served over 12 years as a Board member, advisor and friend. Thank you Joyce from the entire industry!

New Board Members:

• Bob Schimek, Director: Quad Director of Postal Affairs, Schimek brings over three decades of experience in postal operations, USPS policy, and technical infrastructure. He

has served as Chairman of the Board for PostCom and currently sits on the MTAC Executive Committee.

- James W. Sauber, Director: Former Chief of Staff at the National Association of Letter Carriers, Sauber established E Street Consulting in 2023. He serves as a founding activist of the National Vote at Home Coalition and is a member of the board of its NGO, the National Vote at Home Institute.
- Paul Smith, Director: A former Assistant House Legislative Counsel on Capitol Hill, Smith later served as Minority Chief Counsel/Staff Director for the House Energy and Commerce Committee. He played a crucial role in improving relationships between USPS and UPS.
- Kate Muth, Director: Executive Director of the International Mailers' Advisory Group, Muth has been at the forefront of addressing barriers to the efficient flow of information and goods across borders. She brings extensive experience in trade reporting and technical writing.

These changes come as the NPF prepares for its 2024 conference – Connecting at the Crossroads, scheduled for June 2-5, 2024 at the Indiana Convention Center, Indianapolis, IN.

For more information, please visit NPF.org.

About the National Postal Forum: The NPF, a not-for-profit educational corporation established in 1968, partners with the USPS to provide the premier educational conference for the mailing and shipping supply chain community.