



New Board Members

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Patrick Brennan
Partner
RSM
Boston, MA

Summary of experience

Patrick has over 17 years of experience in audit, tax, and financial advisory services and he possesses extensive experience in advising corporate executives and investors on mergers and acquisitions (M&A) transactions and other liquidity events. Patrick has advised on over 250+ M&A or capital market transactions on transactions up to \$25 billion in total enterprise value primarily in the following industries: Manufacturing, Distribution, Consumer products, Life sciences, Software and Technology.

Patrick has a strong history of cultivating trusted executive relationships and is responsible for building effective teams through development of best practices, training and retention strategies, and mentoring.

Prior to RSM Patrick was in the Deal Advisory and Strategy practice at a Big Four firm in the New England market.

Other leadership experience

- Boston Chamber of Commerce Future Leaders Program
- Former candidate for Massachusetts State Representative (4th Suffolk District)
- Founding member of the Saint Joseph's College alumni council board member
- Past leadership and active involvement in several business, civic, and community organizations

Education, professional affiliations, and credentials

- Bachelor of Business Administration, accounting and finance, Saint Joseph's College
- Certified public accountant, Massachusetts
- American Institute of Certified Public Accountants
- Massachusetts Society of Certified Public Accountants

Katherine Craven
Chief Administrative and Financial Officer
Babson College
Wellesley, MA

Ms. Craven is the Chief Administrative and Financial Officer of Babson College. The former Executive Director of the UMass Building Authority, she also served as Massachusetts' First Deputy State Treasurer, was the founding Executive Director of the Massachusetts School Building Authority, and assisted in the writing of ten State budgets for the Massachusetts House of Representatives, with particular focus on hospital and education funding. Katherine was recently named as the 2020 Chief Financial Officer of the Year in the education sector by the Boston Business Journal.

Committed to community and public service, Katherine currently is the Chairwoman of Massachusetts' Board of Education, and is also the Chairwoman of the Boston Public Facilities Commission and the Chair of the Quincy City Building Committee, in addition to serving as the Treasurer of the Massachusetts Business Roundtable and the MJW Foundation, a private charity affiliated with US Secretary of Labor Martin J. Walsh. Katherine also serves on the Boards of Directors of Massachusetts' public defense agency, the Committee for Public Counsel Services, the Dorchester Boys' and Girls' Club, the Honorary Board for the Massachusetts Down Syndrome Congress, and is an associate member of the Massachusetts Association of School Superintendents, the Pioneer Institute's Shamie Center for Better Government, and is a former member of the Governor's Commission on Mental Retardation, the Board of Governors of the Harvard Club of Boston, the Board of Incorporators for Partners Healthcare Inc, the Massachusetts Association for Mental Health, and MassDevelopment.

She has lectured on topics such as executive leadership and the state budget process at the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University, Northeastern University, and the Donahue Institute at the University of Massachusetts. Katherine has been appointed to various government Transition Teams by both Democrats and Republicans, serving as a co-chair for Boston Mayor Marty Walsh's transition team in 2013, as a member of the transition teams for Governor Deval Patrick in 2006, State Treasurer Steven Grossman in 2010, and for both State Treasurer Deb Goldberg and Governor Charlie Baker in 2014. A graduate of Harvard College and Boston Latin School, Ms. Craven resides in Brookline with her husband, Dr. Jim Kryzanski, and five children: Delia, Joseph, James, John Francis Xavier, and Fianna.

Kristen Garvey
Vice President, Corporate Communications
Waters Corporation
Milford, MA

Kristen Garvey was named Vice President of Corporate Communications of Waters Corporation in 2019. Kristen leads Waters' communication strategy across multiple stakeholder groups and oversees public relations, corporate branding, community involvement, and executive and employee communications. From 2018 to 2019, Kristen served as Senior Director, Corporate Communications at Waters.

Prior to joining Waters, Kristen served as Senior Director, Internal Communications at Dell from 2016 to 2018. Prior to Dell, she served in a series of leadership roles in internal communications at EMC. Earlier

in her career, Kristen served as a Women's Network Advisory Board Member at the Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce and held leadership positions at Chadwick Martin Bailey and DataViz.

She earned a B.A. in communications from the University of Massachusetts Amherst.

Robert E. Johnson, Ph.D.
President
Western New England University
Springfield, MA

Dr. Robert E. Johnson was appointed as the 6th president of Western New England University in August 2020, charged with leading the institution as it embarks on its second century.

His unyielding belief in higher education as a public good and as a path for transforming individual lives has led him to dedicate his 30-year career to preparing students to adapt and succeed in a dynamic future—one where jobs as we know them may no longer exist, career mobility is the norm, and individuals are responsible for continuously adding and creating new value.

A future-focused thought leader and commentator on issues centering around the future of work, agile mind education, the agile university, and the sense of humanity imperative, Dr. Johnson believes students, through higher education, must develop divergent thinking skills, social and emotional intelligence, empathy, and a sense of humanity. These uniquely human capacities cannot be replicated by technology and, when paired with an entrepreneurial outlook and a value-creation orientation, are the hallmarks of success in a complex, hyper-connected world.

Recognizing that American higher education is at a unique juncture and that its role will be fundamentally different from the past because we are in a period of profound disruption, he views this as a catalyst for innovation and an opportunity to make institutions more responsive to the needs of the future.

A Detroit native, Dr. Johnson was inspired to attend Morehouse College by his late uncle Robert E. Johnson Jr., associate publisher and executive editor of JET Magazine and Morehouse classmate of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. He encouraged Dr. Johnson's commitment to service and transforming the next generation of leaders, influencing his fundamental conviction that humanity and civility must be central to all we do. As educated and engaged citizens on a planet with more than seven billion people, we are privileged and thus have a social responsibility not only to leave the world better than we found it but to inspire others to do the same.

Dr. Johnson is a member of the Council on Competitiveness and serves on its National Commission on Innovation and Competitiveness Frontiers. He also serves on the executive committee and is vice chair of the Massachusetts Business Roundtable, the board of MGH Institute of Health Professions, and the Intentional Endowments Network steering committee. He has also served on the Massachusetts Board of Higher Education, as vice chair of the Massachusetts Technology Collaborative, and as chair of the

Worcester Regional Chamber of Commerce. He is also co-founder of the Massachusetts Digital Games Institute.

Dr. Johnson's leadership career spans nonprofit colleges and universities in the Northeast and Midwest, including public, private, urban, rural, small and large institutions, with enrollments from 2,000 to more than 25,000 students. This experience includes public research universities, one of the nation's largest single-campus community colleges, a large Catholic university, a historically Black university, and a turn-around and transformation of a small private college. His career reflects several firsts—as not only an African American leader but also the youngest person holding major senior administrative roles.

A proponent of innovation and entrepreneurship, hallmarks of Dr. Johnson's leadership include elevating institutional stature and competitive market position; national recognition; enrollment growth and resource development success; fast-tracked facilities and infrastructure improvements; and innovating for social impact when leading one of the first higher education institutions in the nation to achieve a 100% social impact goal for its endowment.

He has convened transformational conversations with industry, government, and academe that stimulated growth and regional economic opportunity, such as the 2010 Mass Impact Summit that led to the creation of MassDiGI in 2011, and the annual Marine Science and Technology symposium series at UMass Dartmouth that helped launch the MERIT Center to support regional job growth and economic development for the "Blue Economy". Dr. Johnson holds a doctorate in higher education administration from Touro University International, formerly a division of Touro College, New York; a master's degree in education administration from the University of Cincinnati; a bachelor's degree in economics from Morehouse College; and a certificate in applied neuroscience from MIT Sloan School of Management. He is married to Michelle Jones-Johnson. They have two children, Jasmine and Alex.

Joseph G. Murphy
President and Chief Executive Officer
Coverys
Boston, MA

Joseph G. Murphy is the former Massachusetts Commissioner of Insurance. He currently serves as President and Chief Executive Officer of Coverys. With over \$3.5 billion in assets, Coverys is a leading provider of medical professional liability insurance for medical practitioners and health systems.

Since 2015, Murphy has also served on the Board of Directors of the Arbella Insurance Group and is a member of both the Audit Committee and the Technology and Data Analytics Committee.

Prior to assuming his current role as President and Chief Executive Officer at Coverys in April of 2021, Murphy served as Coverys' Chief Operating Officer from 2015. In that role, Murphy oversaw the Underwriting, Business Development & Distribution, Risk Management, Business Analytics, Corporate Communications, and Claims departments, as well as Coverys Insurance Services. He played a pivotal role in the execution of Coverys' long-term strategic plan.

As Massachusetts' Insurance Commissioner from 2009 to 2014, Murphy played an active role in implementing auto insurance reform, stabilizing health insurance costs, and ensuring the solvency of Massachusetts-domiciled insurers. As Commissioner, Murphy was active in the National Association of Insurance Commissioners ("NAIC"), serving as the Chair of the Interstate Insurance Product Regulation

Commission as well as on a number of other committees.

Prior to his appointment as Insurance Commissioner, Murphy served as First Deputy Commissioner of Insurance from 2006 to 2009. Before that he served as Chief of Staff of the Joint Committee on Financial Services in the Massachusetts House of Representatives.

Murphy holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in history and political science from Suffolk University and resides in Charlestown, Massachusetts with his wife and two daughters.

Jerome Smith
Senior Manager, External Affairs
Amazon
Boston, MA

Jerome Smith is Amazon's Senior Manager of External Affairs in the Boston region, where he manages the company's outreach to Boston's unique and diverse population. Jerome has worked in government for over two decades, most recently as Chief of Civic Engagement under former Mayor Marty Walsh. Prior to the Mayor's office, Jerome also served in various roles in Massachusetts and Boston government including Chief of Staff to Massachusetts Senate President Murray and Boston City Councilmember Ross. Jerome is a resident of Dorchester's Savin Hill neighborhood.