



THE WILD CENTER ADVISORY BOARD BIOGRAPHIES

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SARAH R. BOGDANOVITCH



Sarah Bogdanovitch is a Professor at Paul Smith's College. She serves on the board for the Empire State Forest Products Association and is a member of the New York Institute of Consulting Foresters. Sally was also elected a fellow of the Society of American Foresters. She also serves on the Board of the Center for Northern Woodlands Education and is on the Advisory Council for the Rubenstein School of Natural Resources at the University of Vermont.

MARTHA BULLOCK



Martha Bullock, her husband Dan, and their two children are full-time residents of Lake Placid. Martha enjoys camping, hiking, biking, and skiing throughout the 10/12/2017 Adirondack Park and is thrilled to be involved with The Wild Center and its mission to bring people and nature together in innovative and powerful ways. Martha holds a BA from Williams College and an MS in Geological Sciences from the University of Oregon.

TONY CAMPBELL



Board of Directors of the Magna Entertainment Corp. since September 13, 2007. He has been a portfolio manager and senior analyst for Dorsett Management Corporation since January of 2000 and a member of Knott Partners Management, LLC since 2004. Previously, Mr. Campbell founded Windsor Partners, LP in 1986. Mr. Campbell was a Principal and Managing Director of Berg Capital Corporation, a registered investment advisor, from 1984 through 1985 and also served as General partner of Chelsea Partners, a private investment partnership, during that time. He holds a B.S. degree from McGill University.

EMILY HUNT FORBES



Emily Hunt Forbes is a development professional who has spent her career supporting independent education and access. She is currently Director of Annual and Capital Campaigns at the Greenwich Country Day School, where she has led the GCDS First comprehensive campaign since 2016. That campaign, which has provided for the reconstruction of the original building on campus, now the Upper Elementary building, and the expansion through Grade 12, has raised more than \$85 million toward a goal of \$135 million. She also administers the school's annual fund, which raised more than \$4 million in 2020.

Forbes has also held development roles at Rodeph Sholom School in Manhattan, Management Leadership for Tomorrow and Partnership with Children, also both in Manhattan.

She holds degrees from St. Lawrence University and Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy at the State University of New York at Albany. A native of Buffalo, she is a graduate of Nardin

Academy and was a 2012 inductee into the Nardin Athletics Hall of Fame for her role as a member of the varsity crew team from 1996 to 2000. Forbes has been a stalwart volunteer for St. Lawrence and has sat on career panels, hosted events and worked as an admissions and career advisor.

Forbes is the immediate past president of the Junior League of Northern Westchester, of which she served as president from 2018 to 2020. In that role, she led the League through its 65th anniversary of service and oversaw significant revisions to the organization's by-laws and structure. Prior to that, she served as president-elect and secretary of the League and led its annual Holiday Sharing Drive for the needy. Forbes was previously a member of the Junior League of New York and chaired the House Tour and Golden Tree Holiday Boutique committees.

Forbes was elected as a trustee of the Lake Placid Land Conservancy in 2020 and is working to fundraise for the purchase of lands to be conserved in the region. In addition, she is a member of Impact 100 Westchester, for which she serves on the finance committee. Forbes was also a founding member of Wings, the junior advisory council for the Natural History Museum of the Adirondacks. Forbes and her husband, Ed Forbes, live in Pound Ridge with their daughters, Caroline and Julia.



DAVID GOODMAN

David Goodman is a Civil Engineer with an MBA from Stanford University. Over the last 45 years, David has been working in the sustainable power generation and infrastructure construction industries. For 23 years, he was CEO and founder of United American Energy Corp. that built, owned or operated interests in 22 power plants in the northeastern U.S., Virginia and California most of which generated electricity using renewable sources of energy. Presently, David is an owner of North Arrows LLC, formerly a primary investor in a company manufacturing electric-drive hybrid transit bus. Goodman and partners also built the first single family spec home in Union County, NJ having multiple green certifications including LEED Silver, EnergyStar and NJ Solar Clean Energy Program. David is the President of The Andrew Goodman Foundation for Human Dignity and Civil Rights, named after his brother Andrew Goodman, who was murdered on June 21, 1964 by the Ku Klux Klan with two of his co-workers James Chaney and Michael Schwerner while pursuing voter registration for African Americans in Mississippi. (Goodman Mountain at the south end of Tupper Lake, NY is named after Andrew Goodman). Goodman is also a member of the Board of Trustees of Antioch College, Yellow Springs, Ohio, on the Advisory Board of the Natural History Museum of the Adirondacks (Wild Center), member of the Global Leadership Council of the Natural Resources Defense Council, member of the U.S. Green Building Council, and a member of American Solar Energy Society.

Charles Goodman, David's grandfather, built the first Goodman home on Tupper Lake in 1933. In 2003, David built his own home 2 miles away from his grandfather's house on Tupper Lake with mostly local materials, by local craftsmen. This home features several green building elements including a 10,000 watt tracking grid-connected solar power plant (one of the few of this size on a single family home in the Adirondacks) and a commercial sized wood gasification boiler that heats his whole house.

David has been very supportive and helpful in The Wild Center's climate change activities over the past year. He has also participated in the design and installation of The Wild Center's solar power plant which contributed to its LEED certification.



WILLIAM O. GRABE

William O. Grabe joined General Atlantic in 1992 and retired as a Managing Director in 2010. He continues to support GA in an advisory capacity.

Mr. Grabe brings broad international operational experience and an extensive sales and marketing background to General Atlantic. He has been an integral part of GA's global expansion, initially in Europe and later in India and China. Mr. Grabe currently serves on the boards of AKQA, Quality Technology Services, Lenovo, Gartner, Inc., and Compuware Corporation. He also serves as a member of the

UCLA Anderson School of Management Board of Visitors, a Trustee of Outward Bound International, and on the Board of Trustees of The Nature Conservancy in Florida.

Prior to his affiliation with General Atlantic, Mr. Grabe retired from the IBM Corporation as an IBM Vice President and Corporate Officer. In his last position he was responsible for US Marketing and Services and was a founding member of the board of ISSC, the precursor to IBM Global Services. Earlier in his IBM career he was President, National Accounts Division and in 1988 was responsible for the worldwide launch of the AS 400.

Mr. Grabe holds a B.S. in Engineering from New York University (1958) and received his M.B.A. from the University of California at Los Angeles (1963) during the off-season and Lake Placid, NY, during the summer.



CLIFTON HARCUM SR.

Clifton Harcum is a passionate leader in higher education with nearly 20 years of experience at institutions like the University of Maryland Eastern Shore and SUNY Geneseo. He holds a Bachelor's degree in Sociology and a Master's degree in Nonprofit and Association Management, which have shaped his approach to building inclusive and impactful programs. Throughout his career, Clifton has dedicated himself to fostering environments where individuals from all backgrounds feel empowered to grow, connect, and contribute.

As the founder of *Live Now!*, Clifton provides people with practical tools for resilience, mental well-being, and meaningful engagement in life. His two books, *Luminous* and *Live Now!*, delve into themes of purpose, self-discovery, and living with intention. Through *Live Now!*, Clifton encourages people to confront challenges courageously and seize each moment, building a supportive community that values individual strengths and experiences.

A strong advocate for outdoor recreation access for marginalized communities, Clifton strives to create more inclusive spaces for all to experience nature's benefits. His commitment to community service and youth empowerment has earned him numerous accolades, including the prestigious Jefferson Award for Public Service and a nomination for the Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis Award. His work has been featured in *NCPR*, *Sports Illustrated*, and the *Adirondack Explorer*, underscoring his influence in DEI and outdoor inclusivity.

Clifton continues to expand *Live Now!* as a platform for personal and community growth, balancing his time between New York and Delaware, where he remains committed to advancing his vision of a more inclusive, and resilient world.

NICOLE HYLTON-PATTERSON



Nicole “Nicky” Hylton-Patterson is not a diversity trainer. She is not an Inclusion specialist. She is a Black Queer Activist Scholar and Community Organizer, who has spent the last 25 years working with marginalized and minoritized communities around the world to seek justice.

The youngest child of functionally illiterate parents from Kingston 13, one of the most impoverished communities in Jamaica, she learned early about the impact of racialized class, sexualized genders, and the power of collective action.

For Hylton-Patterson, relief from the legacies of poverty and illiteracy came in the form of a gifted child program, for which she was selected. For the next few years, Hylton-Patterson lived and attended school in Northern Norway. This experience helped to solidify the lessons taught by her father: *That we must always recognize our shared humanity and our responsibility **to** the earth.*

Today, she continues to draw inspiration from the wisdom of her ancestors, who helped guide her quest to attain multiple degrees and certificates in ethnic studies, gender and sexuality studies at numerous institutions.

Hylton-Patterson was the inaugural director of the Adirondack Diversity Initiative (ADI), a first of its kind regional approach to providing programs and thought leadership in education, recreation, business, environmental justice and public policy across the Adirondack Park. In this role she provided outreach to diverse populations in and around the Adirondack Park to build multiracial, multicultural alliances and affinity groups invested in making the Park a more welcoming and inclusive place for ALL. Under her leadership, ADI programs included a series of cultural competency and DEIB training (diversity, equity, inclusion and belonging) to not-for-profit and for-profit organizations with customer facing staff and a first-of-its-kind DEIB training for regional law enforcement groups. In partnership with groups across the Park, she created ADI’s Emerging Stewards Program, which brings together diverse young people from within and without the Adirondack Park for shared projects, outings, and team building exercises both in the Adirondacks and in urban centers.

Other experience includes work in the U.S. foreign service, a racial justice officer for the YWCA, Elmira, human rights coordinator for the Chemung County Legislator, and an academic who has taught courses in critical race and Black feminist theories, queer of color critique, Pan African studies and Africana philosophy.

In current role as the Manager for the Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging program at Little Flower Children & Family Services of New York, she continues to mobilize and deploy the entirety of her personal, political, and professional experiences. Her mission: To equip communities with the tools, strategies, language, and *VOICE* needed to dismantle systemic racism and structural oppression.

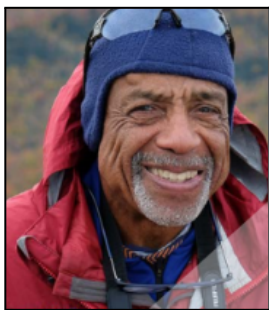
Hylton-Patterson holds multiple degrees including a PhD. Women & Gender Studies Arizona State University.



PHUONG IRELAND

Phuong is CEO and Co-Founder of Wknd Nation, a fashion brand launching in Spring 2021. She has held various leadership positions at Victoria’s Secret, American Eagle Outfitters and Bath & Body Works. She holds a BS in Economics and Chinese from Duke University and an MBA from Columbia Business School.

Phuong was born in Ho Chi Minh City and came to the US as a refugee. She grew up in St. Louis and currently resides with her husband Ben and two children in New York City. She fell in love with the Adirondacks after spending time at Ben’s family’s camp in Lake Placid. She sees the magic of the Wild Center through her children’s eyes and is excited to make it a place for all children to enjoy.



DAVID JONES

David M. Jones is a retired orthotist/prosthetist who loved the challenge of teamwork in inspiring disabled individuals to live active lives. David continues to shine light within his community of Utica, NY in several organizations promoting healthy living and providing educational opportunities for our youth at risk. David's accomplishments include: Founder of the Annual Thanksgiving Run/Walk to End Hunger which he directed for 31 years; Project coordinator for the renovation of Roscoe Conkling park’s South Woods loop and grant writer for the installation of it’s fitness stations; Working with The Black River Outdoor

Educational Center (BROEP) David has introduced hundreds of school age children to the life skills of kayaking, mountain biking, XC skiing and snowshoeing always emphasizing good stewardship and being kind to each other. In addition to these life skills David enjoys camping, gardening, beekeeping and serves on 3 diversity, equity inclusion (DEI) committees.



DAVID McALPIN

David McAlpin has practiced Architecture in New York City since 1979 and as a principal since 1984. At Fradkin & McAlpin Architects, a 15-person design-based firm his practice is focused on institutional, commercial and residential clients.

David’s interests in design, education and nature are the foundation of both his professional practice as well as his public service contributions. His interest in nature can be traced to his family’s camp near Tupper Lake where his grandparents’ love and appreciation of the natural world became a model for him. He has led Manitoga/The

Russel Wright Design Center in Garrison, NY for over 20 years – where nature, design of all kinds intersect.



GEORGE A. PATAKI

Prior to joining, George Pataki served three terms as the 53rd governor of New York State, from 1995 through 2006. First elected in 1994, he won re-election in 1998 and 2002. He was a partner in the New York law firm of Plunkett & Jaffe until 1987. He was elected

mayor of Peekskill, New York in 1981, and served in the New York State Legislature as an assemblyman and then a senator from 1985 to 1994, before becoming Governor.



MICHAEL R. PHINNEY

Michael Phinney, Principal at Phinney Design Group is a licensed Architect, AIA Member, NCARB Member, and LEED Accredited Professional with over 28 years of experience in architectural design and construction observation services. Having completed his thesis on Environmental Awareness in Architecture at RPI in the early 1990's, Mike incorporates sustainability into all design approaches, focusing on economic, social, and environmental impacts. He was also one of the first LEED Accredited Professionals in the State of New York. As the founder and

Principal at Phinney Design Group, Michael has organically grown an award-winning niche company that has developed a reputation as a thoughtful, responsive, and highly creative design firm balanced with great technical thoroughness.

Being a leader and pioneer in the sustainable design movement for over 25 years, Mike has been the team leader on many environmentally sensitive buildings including the first certified green building in New York State in 2001, the first certified green building in the Adirondack Park in 2008, and the first certified "Healthy House" in the Northeastern United States in 2004.

Having completed a great diversity of work and project types; Michael's experience includes building design, interior design, landscape design, land use analysis, and urban and rural planning. Having often lectured on the sustainable design movement, he brings a revolutionary way of thinking to the way people build and develop in today's society.

Being able to work across a diverse array of project types is a skill set very evident in Michael's work; being an excellent listener while allowing our clients to discover what they did not think possible has become a goal for every project the firm is involved with. Having been the Project Designer and lead Project Architect on hundreds of projects over two decades, Michael brings great knowledge, depth, creativity and a passion for design and detailed execution of a project through construction. He has become a mentor and coach for many gifted individuals who have added to Phinney Design Group's reputation and talent over the past eighteen years.

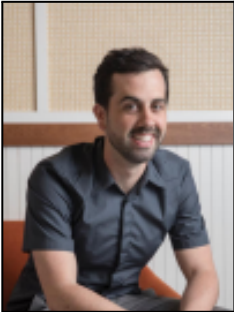
In addition to running a successful design firm, Michael combines his architectural skills with personal philanthropic efforts. He has designed facilities and assisted in fundraising for Universal Preservation Hall, Yaddo, and AIM Services; all not for profit organizations that provide arts, entertainment, and community services in the Saratoga Springs area. Mike has also served on the Universal Preservation Hall Board for sixteen years, as President for the Beekman Street Arts District Board for ten years and has been the Honorary Chair for the Northeast Regional Food Bank Chefs and Vintners Dinner over the past eight years. Since 2017, Mike has also served as the Co-Chair for the Corporation of Yaddo's Annual Summer Gala.

With the opening of the firm's second location on River Street in Troy in the Spring of 2018, Michael was excited to return to his college roots in Rensselaer County. Phinney Design Group employs several other RPI Alumni, and actively participates in RPI School of Architecture Career Fairs and Internships. With the firm's expansion, Michael has enjoyed opportunities to work and interact with RPI and the Troy

Community, and continue to discover new ways to work, interact, and investigate emerging technologies to maintain a cutting-edge level of knowledge sharing. Giving back to his alma mater is important to Mike, as he lectured at RPI, giving a presentation on “Architecture as a Successful Business” in Adjunct Professor Jeff Olson’s Professional Practice course.

Beyond the Architecture, Interior Design and Construction Management practice that Mike runs at Phinney Design Group, his entrepreneurial spirit has led him into several private development and partnership opportunities in mixed-use development and hospitality sectors, including being co-owner of The Local Pub and Tea House in Saratoga Springs, co-owner of 550 Waterfront Bar and Restaurant on Saratoga Lake and is currently working on the conversion of a 40,000 SF mill located in North Troy on the Hudson River into 39 market rate apartments and a new Brewery and Restaurant that will occupy the lowest level opening onto the riverfront.

GRANT REYNOLDS



Grant Reynolds is the founder behind Parcelle, an independent New York City-based online retailer. Grant developed his wine expertise as a sommelier at lauded restaurants such as Frasca and Noma and most recently as a managing partner with Delicious Hospitality Group, overseeing the wine programs for Charlie Bird, Pasquale Jones and Legacy Records. In 2020, Grant co-authored his first book, *How to Drink Wine*, with The Infatuation CEO/co-founder Chris Stang. A Forbes 30 Under 30 honoree and Wine & Spirits 2013 Best New Sommelier, Grant has been featured in Condé Nast Traveler and Vogue in addition to writing about wine and restaurant culture for Vanity Fair and GQ.

STANLEY H. RUMBOUGH, III

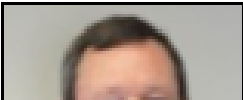


Stanley Hutton Rumbough is a major supporter of responsible development in the Adirondacks, committed to carrying on the Great Camp legacy of his grandmother Marjorie Merriweather Post through his company Crossroads Preserve. Mr. Rumbough is a noted philanthropist, having been a director of the New York City Mission Society since 1983 and a director of the Hillwood Estate Museum and Garden since 1974. He supports a number of organizations and businesses in the local Tupper Lake community.

Mr. Rumbough has been a freelance photographer since 1980. His recent book, “Behind the Privets: Classic Hampton Houses” showcases the architecture and design of these historic homes. He also currently serves as the Chairman of HUTN, Inc. (formerly EF Hutton America, Inc.), a position he has held since 2012. He was a lieutenant in the US Marine Corp on active duty from 1970 to 1974 and inactive duty until he retired from service in 1978 with the rank of Captain.

Mr. Rumbough received a Bachelor’s degree from the University of Denver in 1970 and received an MBA from Columbia University in 1976.

JACK RYDER



Jack Ryder is currently Managing Partner at Cadent Consulting Group, a consulting firm focused on marketing in the consumer packaged goods industry. Jack was previously founder and Chief Executive Officer of marketing consulting firm Cannondale Associates from 1992-2010. He began his career in marketing at Generals Mills followed by a stint at Glendinning Associates, a management consulting firm in Westport, CT.

Jack received his B.A. in economics from Northwestern, and earned his M.B.A. from Dartmouth. He has been a frequent lecturer and panelist at a variety of seminars and business schools in North America.

Jack is passionate about the Adirondacks and conserving them for future generations. He has been a lifelong seasonal resident of the Adirondacks, first at Schroon Lake at his family's camp, and now his own camp at Tupper Lake. He has previously served on the Board of the Adirondack Council.

ELIZABETH RYDER



The Adirondacks have been a lifelong love and passion for Nell, who grew up spending her summers at her family's camp on Tupper Lake. Along with her husband, Jared, Nell is instilling in their three young children the same appreciation and respect for the mountains, lakes, and critters throughout the Adirondack Park. The experience of seeing Tupper Lake through fresh, young eyes has been a joy of parenthood, and Nell is particularly excited about the ways the Wild Center can engage, educate, and delight children of all ages and backgrounds.

Nell holds a BA from Northwestern University, and an MBA from the Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth. She currently resides in Weston, Connecticut with her husband, three children, and Chocolate Lab.

JAMES A. SCHOFF



Mr. Schoff graduated from Hamilton College (1968) and Cornell University Law School (1972), and then spent nine years with the law firm of Thompson, Hine & Flory, specializing in partnership, tax, corporate and business law. While affiliated with Thompson, Hine & Flory, Jim was principally responsible for acquisitions/dispositions of businesses for major companies, and for syndications and joint ventures engaging in real estate and equipment oriented transactions.

In 1981, Jim left that firm to become a general partner of Diversified Equities, a move which enabled him to devote his full efforts to the business of equity capital formation and the structuring and syndication of tax advantaged investments. Diversified Equities engaged in a variety of venture capital and tax advantaged investments, ranging from the ownership and operation of retail shopping centers, cable TV, river barges and office buildings during the next twelve years.

In February 1993, Diversified Equities joined with Developers Diversified to form a real estate investment trust (REIT), named Developers Diversified Realty Corporation (DDR), which is traded on the New York Stock Exchange. Mr. Schoff was a Founder and served as a Director of the Company,

and as Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of DDR from 1993 to 1998. In 1998, he became Vice Chairman and Chief Investment Officer of DDR, and continued to serve on DDR's Board until 2002. In 2002, he assumed the role of Special Advisor to the Chairman and CEO of DDR where he served until his retirement in December, 2010. Mr. Schoff also serves as a Director

of Quasar Energy Group, a company which builds and operates anaerobic digesters in the renewable energy field.



CARL B.E. SHEDD

Carl Shedd has had a diversified career in advertising, high-technology and publishing. He was president of the St. Regis Lake Property Owners Association for many years and until recently a Conservation Commissioner in Massachusetts.



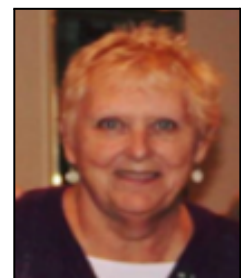
ANNA SOMMER

Anna Sommer is a Principal of Energy Futures Group. Her work primarily involves modeling utility scale power systems and critiquing power system modeling conducted by electric utilities around the country. EFG's mission is to help transform our energy system to one that is clean, efficient, renewable, safe, affordable and equitable. As part of this work, Anna testifies before public utility commissions around the country including in Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Montana, New Mexico, North Carolina, Puerto Rico, South Carolina, and South Dakota on behalf of a wide range of consumer and environmental organizations. Anna, her husband, and two children reside in Canton, NY and are avid fans of hiking, camping, and paddling in the Adirondack Park.



CURT STAGER

Curt Stager is a scientist, educator, and author whose research deals with climate change and the ecological histories of lakes around the world. He has published in prominent journals including *Science* and *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, his writings have appeared in periodicals such as *National Geographic* and *The New York Times*, and he co-hosted *Natural Selections*, a weekly science program on North Country Public Radio for 30 years. Curt is the author of four books, including "*Still Waters: The Secret World of Lakes.*" He holds the Draper-Lussi endowed Chair in Paleocology and Lake Ecology at Paul Smith's College. In 2013, the Carnegie-Case Foundation named him Science Professor of the Year for New York State.



SANDRA A. STRADER

Sandra Strader is the retired Town Administrator and Budget Officer for the Town of Tupper Lake. She is also a former Mayor of the Village of Tupper Lake. Ms. Strader is a graduate of Norwood-Norfolk Central School and Watertown Business School. She is a

member of the Tupper Lake Country Club, a Board member of Next Stop Tupper Lake as well as a member of the Tupper Lake Revitalization Committee. She is also Secretary/Board Member of the Adirondack Public Observatory, Treasurer/Board Member of the Tupper Lake Chamber of Commerce and a Board member of the Foster Grandparents for Sunmount Developmental Center. Sandie is also a long time Volunteer at The Wild Center's Plan Your Visit table.



MARK VALKENBURGH

Mark Valkenburgh is excited to be joining the Advisory Board and to work alongside his mom, Ginny Valkenburgh, a current member of the Board of Trustees, in support of The Wild Center mission and to connect more people, young and old, to the beauty and magic of the Adirondacks.

Mark has deep roots in the Adirondacks, thanks to a family camp at Lake Clear, which carries treasured memories from his youngest years. Mark also spent over 10 summers as camper, then counselor at Camp Dudley on Lake Champlain. He later served on the Board of Trustees. Most recently, Mark lived with his wife and then 3- and 5-year-olds at Lake Clear for a year and a half during the early days of covid, working remotely, and enjoyed several special visits to The Wild Center with their young boys.

Mark has worked in healthcare for the last 20 years in various roles in sales, marketing, and partnerships at Johnson & Johnson, Google, Verily, and currently GE HealthCare, where he manages strategic partnerships with big tech to help the company accelerate digital innovation and ultimately enable more precise, connected, and compassionate care.

Mark has a bachelor's degree in biology & psychology from Middlebury College in VT and an MBA from the Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth College. Last year, he moved from Boston to Milwaukee where he and his wife chase after their three young kids. Mark loves anything and everything outdoors, is (maybe was) a weekend warrior soccer player, fair weather cross-country skier, and is still looking for mountains to climb in Wisconsin.



MARGARET W. WIENER

Since graduating from NYU Law School in 1976, Margy has practiced law in New York, Philadelphia, and Washington, DC, in addition to a stint in Moscow, USSR, where her husband, a journalist, was posted in the 1980s. Most recently she worked for 24 years at the Federal Communications Commission, from which she retired in 2021. There she led the team that developed and conducted innovative auctions to assign spectrum licenses for wireless communications services and to distribute universal service support in high cost areas. Prior to the FCC, she practiced in the private sector, representing commercial and not-for-profit clients on economic regulatory issues. Margy has been

coming to the Adirondacks her whole life to visit Rivermede, the Keene Valley property purchased in 1906 by her great-grandfather. Rivermede still supports separate farming and sugaring operations, including a vegetable farm run by one of her daughters, and provides a year-round gathering place for the extended family. Margy and her husband, Steve Goldstein, moved to Shelburne, VT in 2021, where they are within easy driving distance of two of their four grown children (one in VT as well as the one in Keene Valley) and two of their five grandchildren.

ROSS S. WHALEY, Ph.D.



Ross Whaley served as Senior Advisor to the Adirondack Landowners Association, past Chairman of the Adirondack Park Agency, President emeritus of SUNY College of

Environmental Science and Forestry and Director of Economic Research for the United States Forest Service. He has served on numerous commissions devoted to natural resource and environmental issues.

DAVID J. YOULEN



David Youlen is currently the Senior Vice President for Development at Eagle Creek Renewable Energy and was previously the Chief Operating Officer for Free Flow Power, focusing on the acquisition and development of conventional hydropower and the development and deployment of hydrokinetic technology.

In addition to more than 35 years in the hydropower industry in operations, maintenance and development, Youlen has experience in electric substations, transmission, electric system operations, and wind project development.

He is a graduate of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute with a bachelor of science in civil engineering. He is a New York State licensed professional engineer.

Youlen is the recipient of several key industry awards including the 2009 Dr. Kenneth Henwood Award from the National Hydropower Association – the industry’s highest honor presented to those who show great leadership and dedication to hydropower; and the 2007 Rickey Medal Award from the American Society of Civil Engineers for achievement in the field of hydroelectric engineering. Youlen is also the past president for the 2006-2007 National Hydropower Association, and serves on the board of directors for the National Hydropower Association and the Natural History Museum of the Adirondacks located in Tupper Lake, NY.