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## **Candidate Information: HFA 2020 Board of Directors Election**

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**Jill Calton**  
**EVP, Alternative Investments**  
**UMB Fund Services**  
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**HFA Member: 3+ Years**

*Short Biography*

I oversee alternative investment servicing at UMB Fund Services. In this role, I provide leadership and oversight to all of the Company's alternative investment client-servicing teams. My fund industry experience dates back to 1997, when I joined KPMG as an auditor serving hedge funds and other clients. I graduated from Weber State University with a Masters in Accountancy and Minor in Mathematics and am a licensed CPA and member of the Utah Association of CPA's.

*Goals/Objectives as a HFA Director*

I would uphold the mission and values of the Hedge Fund Association and participate and provide support in a meaningful way to the events, activities, and other member benefits that the HFA supports. I believe I could utilize my extensive background in providing audit and administration services to alternative investments clients for over two decades to advise, consult and share knowledge. Having seen the industry change, adapt and grow I have a deep understanding of the operational and regulatory challenges hedge fund managers face today. My objective is to serve the board and HFA members and to actively engage industry participants and connect like-minded associations and people.

*Have you served as an HFA Leader – Director or other position? Please specify role and time.*

No

*If you have contributed to HFA previously as a member, sponsor or volunteer please provide details.*

Thought Leadership sponsor for 3 years along with sponsorship of several HFA holiday events. Most recently participated in the HFA Webinar: How to cope and move forward in times of crisis.

*Do you serve as a leader or volunteer for other nonprofit organizations? If yes please provide a summary.*

I previously served on the Board of the Snowbasin Sports Education Foundation, a non-profit dedicated to promote the sport of skiing. I volunteer and support events at Weber State University, most recently volunteered as a mentor for the Outdoor Weber entrepreneurship scholarship competition.

*How will you utilize your experience and network to benefit HFA?*

Having served in the industry for over 20 years I have an extensive network that includes industry professionals at hedge funds, law firms, audit firms, administration firms and other centers of influence. Continue to sponsor and participate in events, drive engagement and participation within my organization and network and be a resource for members.



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**Camille Clemons**  
Director  
Cohen & Company  
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**HFA Member: 10 Years**

*Short Biography*

After spending nearly 20 years in the fund accounting and administration space with a specific focus over the past six years on alternative investments, I find the work being done by the Hedge Fund Association extremely important. I began in operations, but for the past ten years have focused on marketing and business development. Currently, I am responsible for the business development efforts of Cohen & Company covering our growth in the US market. Before joining Cohen & Company, I was with a European Fund Administrator after having spent eight years with UMBFS nearly 12 years at Northern Trust in several different operational, sales, and marketing positions. I earned my bachelor's degree from Ripon College, where she majored in business with a minor in leadership studies. Camille is a member of 100 Women in Hedge Funds, serves on the East Coast Regional Committee for NICSA (National Investment Company Service Association) and has served as a committee member of Hedge Funds Care Midwest Chapter.

*Goals/Objectives as a HFA Director*

I am committed to supporting HFA's mission, particularly the objective of educating the market, especially those outside the inner circle. As a Director of the HFA, I am committed to continuing spreading the word by engaging managers big and small to tell their stories, articulating the value proposition that fund managers bring to the market. I believe in our industry and its place in an investment portfolio. Additionally, I think it would be interesting to write summations of the in person events the HFA sponsors and make them available through social media and other outlets.

*Have you served as an HFA Leader – Director or other position? Please specify role and time.*

Yes – since 2010

*If you have contributed to HFA previously as a member, sponsor or volunteer please provide details.*

As mentioned above, during my time on the HFC (Chicago chapter), I worked with the HFA to publicize the event to increase participation as well as create content shown during the event to further the message. The benefit was twofold in that the events were a success and HFA was recognized as being innovative and a great partner. Additionally, I have been interviewed by AssetTV for a piece on closed end interval funds and represented UMB at the past four Hedgeopolis conferences in New York.

*Do you serve as a leader or volunteer for other nonprofit organizations? If yes please provide a summary.*

I have served alongside the HFA as part of the Hedge Funds Care committee. Together, we were innovative in leveraging the expertise of the full membership and that is an ideal I hope to bring to the HFA. HFA can broaden its reach and following by more fully utilizing the membership base. I have served also on the HFC Chicago chapter as well as with NICSA (National Investment Company Service Association).

*How will you utilize your experience and network to benefit HFA?*

Socially, I believe I will be able to leverage my growing network to continue spreading the message of the HFA. Additionally, my firm is very active in the hedge fund community which will grant us access to a wealth of knowledge and experience. Our growing list of clients is unique in that they run the gamete. Finally, I have done a lot of work with hedge fund data. I would like to see HFA branching out to other growing regions: Atlanta, Dallas, Denver, Milwaukee, Minneapolis perhaps via webinar or other means.



**Leanne Golding**  
**Director**  
**Harbor Trust / HTC Fiduciary Services**  
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**HFA Member: New member**

*Short Biography*

Leanne Golding is a Director of HTC Fiduciary Services and an Officer of Harbour Trust and has responsibility for providing fiduciary services to Harbour's fund clients, including serving as an independent director for such funds. Leanne has been in Cayman since 1996 and previously worked for Goldman Sachs where she was Vice President, Global Investor Services managing the Investor Services team in three jurisdictions. Leanne joined the Harbour team in 2009. She holds a Bachelor of Arts (Hons) in Economics from Queen's University in Canada and is a CFA Charterholder and an Accredited Director (Chartered Secretaries of Canada). She has been involved with AIMA Cayman on their Education and Research Sub-Committee and is past Chair of the Philanthropy Committee of the Cayman Islands location of 100 Women in Finance.

*Goals/Objectives as a HFA Director*

I am confident that I can make a meaningful impact on the HFA Board. I have over 24 years of experience in the alternative investment industry, and have been based in the Cayman Islands since 1996. My extensive knowledge base will be of benefit to the other board members and HFA. Specifically, my role in the local market will be useful for both education and advocacy and elevating the local profile of the association. As an independent fund director I anticipate being able to bring an additional dimension to the HFA Board and I would welcome the opportunity to represent the governance industry. I would also seek to continue to encourage more female professionals to become involved in HFA both in leadership roles and through membership.

*Have you served as an HFA Leader – Director or other position? Please specify role and time.*

No

*If you have contributed to HFA previously as a member, sponsor or volunteer please provide details.*

I am a new member, although I have attended HFA events as a guest, including the 2019 Spring Fundraiser for ALTSO and the March 24, 2020 Webinar.

*Do you serve as a leader or volunteer for other nonprofit organizations? If yes please provide a summary.*

I have been involved with 100 Women in Finance since the launch of its Cayman location in 2012. I am a current member of the Main Committee, was chair of the Impact Committee (previously known as the Philanthropy Committee) for 3 years and currently coordinate the due diligence of program partners for the Investing in the Next Generation initiative in Cayman. I have also previously been involved with the Education and Research sub-committee for AIMA Cayman.

*How will you utilize your experience and network to benefit HFA?*

Given the breadth of experience that I have in the industry, including 24 years in Cayman, I have colleagues across the legal, audit, administration and governance fields, both locally and in the US market. Those connections will assist in my efforts to promote the objectives of HFA. I anticipate being able to encourage dialogue with the local industry associations in Cayman to further both the education and advocacy initiatives of HFA and increase the association's presence in Cayman. In addition to my experience in governance, I have worked in senior positions in fund administration and therefore can help to promote education in the areas of regulatory change, anti-money laundering initiatives and operational due diligence. This diverse experience will enable me to assist in planning meaningful events for the association through education events, webinars and thought leadership pieces.



**Lauri Goodwyn**  
**Counsel**  
**Seward & Kissel LLP**  
[LinkedIn Profile](#)

**HFA Member: New Member**

*Short Biography*

After graduating law school, I sought training as a litigator to hone my writing, speaking and analytical skills. I subsequently worked in-house at a broker-dealer/futures commission merchant and later at a major international bank. This experience was invaluable to the extent that I gained insight into the inner workings of financial institutions and collaborated with all employees, ranging from the most junior to the C suite in resolving issues and launching new businesses. In 2005, I joined Seward & Kissel, a Wall Street firm with a well-known reputation for its investment management practice. Although I am formally a member of the Derivatives and Trading Group, I am a jack-of-all trades and provide legal advice on a wide array of matters to hedge funds from inception through dissolution, including funds in crisis.

*Goals/Objectives as a HFA Director*

1. Promote industry interests and combat negative stereotypes often portrayed by the press;
2. Educate the industry and legislators;
3. Help to effectuate meaningful legislation;
4. Support the efforts of women and minorities to become more actively involved in visible industry roles

*Have you served as an HFA Leader – Director or other position? Please specify role and time.*

No

*If you have contributed to HFA previously as a member, sponsor or volunteer please provide details.*

N/A

*Do you serve as a leader or volunteer for other nonprofit organizations? If yes please provide a summary.*

I currently serve on the Executive Committee of Seward & Kissel's Women's Initiative. In this role, I have advocated for the advancement of women not only in our firm but in our community at large. Working closely with two other hedge fund service providers, last year I put together a program featuring Mary Jo White, the former SEC Commissioner and Jonathan McBride, the Global Head of Diversity and Inclusion at Blackrock. I am working on a number of other programs currently, including a community outreach to educate high school age women interested in working in the financial services space. I have served on several New York City Bar Association committees relating to my practice areas. I have also devoted many years and hundreds of hours interviewing prospective students applying to Dartmouth College and have served as an ambassador at college fairs.

*How will you utilize your experience and network to benefit HFA?*

**I offer a unique blend of:**

- legal knowledge;
- practical experience supporting dealers and hedge funds;
- deep industry contacts with service providers,
- resources through my affiliation with Seward & Kissel, a leading service provider credited for forming the first hedge fund; and
- the ability to work well independently as well as with a team.



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**Jennifer Keeney**  
**Director of Operational Due Diligence**  
**BNY Mellon Wealth Management**  
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**HFA Member: 3 years**

*Short Biography*

Jennifer Keeney is the Director of Operational Due Diligence of BNY Mellon Wealth Management Investor Solutions. In this role, she is responsible for leading the operational due diligence process and ongoing monitoring of prospective and current external investment managers across all asset classes, alternative strategies and vehicle types. Jennifer joined in 2019 from Russell Investments, where she was Senior Risk Officer, Alternative Investments on the Global Manager Operational Due Diligence team. She was responsible for leading a risk-based operational due diligence program across global hedge fund, private equity, private real estate, and infrastructure managers and served on the Alternative Investments Pricing Committee. Prior to Russell Investments, she was Head of Operational Due Diligence at a socially responsible hedge fund of funds and Senior Consultant with the Enterprise Risk Management team at GM Asset Management. Her prior experience includes roles as a Managing Director at Fairfield Greenwich Group; Head of Due Diligence at Alpha Investment Management, and equity research positions at Bear Stearns and Standard Chartered Securities. Jennifer earned her BA degree in International Relations & East Asian Studies from Boston University and a Master of International Affairs (MIA) degree in International Finance and Business from Columbia University.

*Goals/Objectives as a HFA Director*

My goal as an HFA Director is to help the HFA expand its reach beyond hedge funds and include private equity, venture capital, private real estate, real assets and infrastructure. As institutional investors have increasingly redeployed assets from hedge funds to other alternative asset strategies, the HFA would benefit its membership by expanding its reach. While the popularity of hedge funds is not waning, the assets flow trends show that investors have a more advanced understanding of how certain strategies can deliver their desired risk and return profile. The HFA needs to be a reflection of its institutional members' allocation strategies and demonstrate its knowledge base across asset classes by providing a forum for thought leadership and hosting events with a broad range of topics.

*Have you served as an HFA Leader – Director or other position? Please specify role and time.*

3 years as a Board member and member of Regional Director committee (recruiting/vetting leader candidates)

*If you have contributed to HFA previously as a member, sponsor or volunteer please provide details.*

In my three years as an HFA Board Member, I have served on the Regional Director committee and vetted 12 new Directors. The goal of a Regional Director is to promote the HFA in their respective regions with various events and webinars. The resulting events have raised HFA's profile and increased membership.

*Do you serve as a leader or volunteer for other nonprofit organizations? If yes please provide a summary.*

I am a volunteer for the Alternative Investment Management Association's (AIMA) Sound Practices Committee and Operational Risk Management Group. We are currently updating AIMA's Guide to Sound Practices For Operational Risk Management. The Guide identifies areas of operational risk and recommended best practices for implementation. The continued need for sound practices has grown, especially with the expansion of global regulations, use of alternative data, cybersecurity threats and data breaches and operational risk lapses at global banking institutions.

*How will you utilize your experience and network to benefit HFA?*

My 20+ years' experience in leading operating due diligence in the alternative investment industry has given me exposure to investment managers and service providers who would be ideal candidates to lead an event and share their insights.



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**Karen Kerby**  
**Partner**  
**Prager Metis, CPAs, LLC**  
[LinkedIn Profile](#)

**HFA Member: 2 Years**

*Short Biography*

As an Audit Partner and Leader of PM's Financial Services practice, I specialize in conducting audits of investment partnerships (including hedge funds, fund of funds, and private equity funds), outsourced accounting, and fund administration. Of the 35+ years I have spent within the financial services industry, 26 of these were spent in public accounting with a specialization in investment firms. Prior to my work in public accounting, I was fortunate to have worked as an industry insider through my positions at a major broker-dealer company and a notable commodity trading firm. This experience allows me to understand, from the client's perspective, how their operations are structured, how the work flows, and what challenges and opportunities exist for them. I have also conducted multiple audits for broker-dealers, Registered Investment Advisors, and various nonprofit organizations. I am an active member of the NYSSCPA investment management and private equity committees in addition to 100 Women in Finance. I am also on the Board of Directors of Platinum Minds, a not for profit organization which helps urban boys with education and leadership skills.

*Goals/Objectives as a HFA Director*

To work with the rest of the directors to promote the HFA's purpose of "(a) educating the public, media and government about hedge funds and other alternative management firms to foster understanding and cooperation; (b) serving investment managers, investors, service providers, other hedge fund industry professionals and academic institutions to promote industry development, education, transparency and trust; and (c) monitoring federal regulation and maintaining a working relationship with Congress as well as advocating for members." I would do this by using my years of experience in the industry as a broker dealer employee, a fund accountant at a commodity fund and member and partner of several CPA firms. I will raise awareness using my vast industry contacts and by helping to create quality education events & content. I also would like to help expand the membership of the organization through direct outreach and other forms of communications.

*Have you served as an HFA Leader – Director or other position? Please specify role and time.*

No

*If you have contributed to HFA previously as a member, sponsor or volunteer please provide details.*

I have attended at least 10 events in the past year+ and try to promote the HFA through word of mouth and social media.

*Do you serve as a leader or volunteer for other nonprofit organizations? If yes please provide a summary.*

I was recently elected to the board of directors of Platinum Minds, a not for profit helping young boys with leadership and education, after being the chair of the leadership committee for the previous 3 years. I am also my firm's NJ leader for the Walk to End Alzheimer's helping to sign up walkers and raise money for the event. I am a member of two NYSSCPA committees, Investment Management and Private Equity.

*How will you utilize your experience and network to benefit HFA?*

I will use my experience of 26 years auditing and consulting with hedge funds to help create educational content and organize events on current topics and issues in the hedge fund industry. Using my network of industry contacts I will raise awareness about the HFA organization and the work being done to help members of the industry.



**James Koutoulas**  
CEO  
Typhon Capital Management  
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**HFA Member: New Member**

*Short Biography*

James L. Koutoulas, Esq. is the CEO of Typhon Capital Management which he founded in 2008. Typhon is a deconstructed multi-strategy trading firm, where managers can focus only on trading under an umbrella of unified operations, compliance, and risk management. Clients can access these modular exposures a la carte or via custom portfolios in Cayman or U.S. funds, or managed accounts. He is also a leader in investor protection. He Co-Founded the Commodity Customer Coalition, a non-profit customer advocacy organization, in response to the MF Global bankruptcy. Mr. Koutoulas is the President and lead attorney for the CCC and represented over 10,000 MF Global customers pro bono in the bankruptcy and helped force the full return of \$6.7B in customer assets. He then served on the Board of Directors of the National Futures Association for three years. Mr. Koutoulas has appeared on CNBC, Bloomberg, and CNN, as well as being featured in major national print publications such as the Wall Street Journal, New York Times, Fortune, Forbes, and Reuters. Mr. Koutoulas testified on improving customer protections before the United States House of Representatives' Agriculture Committee.

*Goals/Objectives as a HFA Director*

Help increase awareness of the Hedge Fund industry (along with relevant charitable goals), especially in south Florida.

*Have you served as an HFA Leader – Director or other position? Please specify role and time.*

No

*If you have contributed to HFA previously as a member, sponsor or volunteer please provide details.*

N/A

*Do you serve as a leader or volunteer for other nonprofit organizations? If yes please provide a summary.*

President and co-founder of the Commodity Customer Coalition where I led the recovery of \$7B in assets for MF Global and PFG victims, completely pro bono. Board Member of the Goodman Institute. Former Board and Executive Committee Member at the NFA.

*How will you utilize your experience and network to benefit HFA?*

I have a large network of market participants and investors from my pro bono network that I can help raise awareness of HFA to. Also, run the Tactical Trading Investor Forums and have offered free media sponsorship of those events to HFA.





**Danielle Malecek**  
**Data & Technology Strategist**  
**Zencos Consulting**  
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**HFA Member: New Member**

*Short Biography*

Danielle Malecek is a data science and technology strategist. She supports the best and the brightest minds in the institutional investment community develop actionable strategies for data analytics . She combines her previous knowledge & experience as an analyst during the crisis with her current expertise in data analytics. Her goal is to help provide context and clarity to the innovated techniques of the future. Danielle left Financial Services industry in 2014 with the goal of returning in a different capacity - as a leader in innovation and technology. Over the past several years, she's dedicated herself to providing innovation through a consultative approach. In her role now, she helps hedge funds, asset managers, and market leaders drive insights from their data and to help improve their fluency in advanced data science techniques. Danielle holds a degree in Finance, from Indiana University's Kelley School of Business, with a minor in Journalism. As a former a Director in the Chicago chapter of 100 Women in Finance a current member of Triangle Women in STEM, she is an advocate for diversity and hopes make actionable strides in these goals as a member of the HFA board.

*Goals/Objectives as a HFA Director*

(1) Drive innovation and provide thought-leadership for data analytics - Provide a forum dedicated to the application of data science in the industry to help users create more predictable outcomes. (2) Continue to support HFA's goals in diversity and inclusion initiatives w/i the investment community. Work with board members to create programming and/or events that helps develop and recruit women and minorities in the asset management world. (3) Collaborate with asset managers to help create a solution to and/or guidance for the end of LIBOR. Work with regulators, asset managers, banks, and other players to identify risks and opportunities to see the process through. (4) Shed a light on the good of the Hedge Funds by highlighting their activities in diversity and inclusion, community outreach, charitable efforts, etc. and help build a positive presence.

*Have you served as an HFA Leader – Director or other position? Please specify role and time.*

No

*If you have contributed to HFA previously as a member, sponsor or volunteer please provide details.*

N/A

*Do you serve as a leader or volunteer for other nonprofit organizations? If yes please provide a summary.*

I am a volunteer for a local group focused on promoting and advocating for women in STEM in the Triangle. I also volunteer at SECU House in Chapel Hill. SECU House provides housing and accommodations for patients and families of patients at UNC Hospital. I have also held previous Directorship roles with the Chicago Chapter of 100 Women in Finance.

*How will you utilize your experience and network to benefit HFA?*

Currently, we are in isolating times. Within the next 60 days, I want to help expand and grow the virtual community of HFA by offering interactive, virtual events to help create a sense of belonging for members. With the growing concern over the state of our economy, I want to volunteer my sales skills to help lobby / proactively work with monetary authorities on behalf of HFA over the next several months. I want to also take actionable steps towards creating a more inclusive, connected, and collaborative industry. When we're not all shelter-in-place orders, I can offer event space in the SAS local offices (Chicago, New York, North Carolina). My goal with these events would be to provide networking and expertise to our members by featuring women in Finance (like Heidi Miller and Maria Vassalou to name a few), and other areas outside the finance realm, like renown data scientist. Dr. Jim Goodnight.



**Alexander Reyes**  
**Partner, Financial Services Practice Leader**  
**Citrin Cooperman**  
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**HFA Member: 3 Years**

*Short Biography*

I am a Partner and Financial Services Practice Leader for Citrin Cooperman and have over 20 years of experience providing a broad range of assurance and advisory services for private equity, venture capital, broker dealer and hedge fund clients. I have extensive experience with financial statement assurance, internal audit, accounting advisory, business performance improvement, and regulatory compliance for both large and middle market companies. I also serve on the Firms Audit and Attest Committee. I currently serve as the NY Regional Director for HFA and also on the Investment Company and Private Equity/Venture Capital Committees for the NYSSCPA.

*Goals/Objectives as a HFA Director*

I hope to work closely with the other leaders to continue to develop best in class content and expand HFAs footprint in the US and abroad.

*Have you served as an HFA Leader – Director or other position? Please specify role and time.*

Yes, NY Regional Director

*If you have contributed to HFA previously as a member, sponsor or volunteer please provide details.*

Since becoming a member and in my role as Financial Services Industry Leader we have sponsored various events including the Golf Outing, Hedge Fund Strategies, Alts and Sports among others. At each of these events I or someone on my team participated in various capacities. We have also already agreed to sponsor the 2020 Hedge Fund Strategies Event.

*Do you serve as a leader or volunteer for other nonprofit organizations? If yes please provide a summary.*

Yes, I currently serve on the New York Advisory Council for Hispanic Scholarship Fund and I am a member of the Investment Company and Private Equity/Venture Capital Committees of the NYSSCPAs.

*How will you utilize your experience and network to benefit HFA?*

I will leverage my network and relationships to continue to help HFA develop great content and additional sponsors.



**Emily Slocum**  
**Global Head of Client Services**  
**GQR**  
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**HFA Member: 4 Years**

*Short Biography*

Emily is the global head of Client Services, operating out of New York. She focuses on partnering with clients in additional ways aside from GQR's main service – talent acquisition. While GQR assists companies in securing elite talent, Emily's Client Services division supports businesses in three other key areas: employer branding, events and experiences and People Intelligence. Her goal is to attract and retain top talent while improving the culture, image and mission of GQR's clients at the same time. Through assessing research analytics, surveys and trends, her team assists clients in boosting workplace motivation, engagement and performance metrics. Emily joined GQR tasked with growing out a recruitment team while the New York office was only six people strong. Today, GQR is the fastest-growing privately owned talent acquisition business in America and spans six offices globally. Emily and her team are gearing up to host more than 30 events each year to drive thought leadership across the finance industry and increase peer and company collaboration.

*Goals/Objectives as a HFA Director*

- Continue to help the HFA increase membership through promoting HFA events and materials
- Host a New York social event
- Work with the RD recruitment team to identify and interview RD candidates
- Bring more women into the organization

*Have you served as an HFA Leader – Director or other position? Please specify role and time.*

Current board member, running to serve a second term  
Member of HFA's Regional Director Committee (recruiting/vetting leader candidates)

*If you have contributed to HFA previously as a member, sponsor or volunteer please provide details.*

Hosted/sponsored HFA social events (at GQR - our firm's NYC rooftop)  
Volunteered at numerous HFA and partner philanthropic events

*Do you serve as a leader or volunteer for other nonprofit organizations? If yes please provide a summary.*

ALTSO- A Leg To Stand On  
HFC- Help for Children

*How will you utilize your experience and network to benefit HFA?*

I have 20K followers on LinkedIn- about half of them are in the hedge fund community.  
I often attend conferences and events in the HF world and am a positive representative for the HFA



**Joshua Stone**  
Principal  
FundsLawyer PLLC  
[LinkedIn Profile](#)

**HFA Member: Since 2019**

*Short Biography*

I have nearly 20 years of experience as an attorney at market leading law firms in New York (focusing primarily on corporate transactions and private fund formation), as the General Counsel and Chief Compliance Officer of a multi-billion-dollar investment fund manager and as a partner at a large Miami law firm. In late 2019, I founded FundsLawyer PLLC to provide high level and cost-effective legal advice to private funds and family offices and to serve as an outsourced, fractional time general counsel to a small number of select private investment fund managers and family offices. I am a 2000 graduate of New York University School of Law and a 1997 graduate of Binghamton University (State University of New York), magna cum laude. I currently serve as a Director of the Miami Finance Forum and as the Legal & Compliance Advisor to the Hedge Fund Association. I've also written articles for Hedge Fund Law Report and Family Office Magazine. Additional information is available on my LinkedIn page and my firm's website, [www.fundslawyer.com](http://www.fundslawyer.com).

*Goals/Objectives as a HFA Director*

In 2019, I was appointed as the Legal & Compliance Advisor to the Hedge Fund Association. I have also assisted in various capacities at Hedge Fund Association events in the South Florida area. My goals and objectives as a Director would be to help guide the organization and gain additional insight into the organization's activities and decision-making process so that I can most effectively serve as the organization's Legal & Compliance Advisor. I also seek to promote and be a resource to the organization more generally in a variety of roles, whether working at the board level, assisting with thought leadership or handling the promotion, set up and clean up of events.

*Have you served as an HFA Leader – Director or other position? Please specify role and time.*  
HFA Legal & Compliance Advisor starting in 2019

*If you have contributed to HFA previously as a member, sponsor or volunteer please provide details.*

Please see above regarding my role as Legal & Compliance Advisor, which I perform on a volunteer basis. In addition, I have assisted with the set up, clean up and operation of HFA social events in the South Florida area. I have also been involved in events co-sponsored by HFA through my work with the Miami Finance Forum.

*Do you serve as a leader or volunteer for other nonprofit organizations? If yes please provide a summary.*  
I am a board member of the Miami Finance Forum.

*How will you utilize your experience and network to benefit HFA?*

I bring to the organization my extensive experience as an attorney focusing on private funds. I have worked in the industry through up and down economic cycles and have worked in various settings, including at large law firms (in New York and Miami), as an in-house General Counsel and Chief Compliance Officer of a hedge fund manager and most recently as the principal of my own firm. I believe that my work experience makes me well-suited to participate in the organization's thought leadership activities. As a new business owner, I am very much focused on my professional network and as I interact with others in the industry, I will think creatively to try to find synergies between the organization and the people I know and meet. I also plan to continue as the HFA's Legal & Compliance Advisor (which I do on a pro bono basis).



**Nilesh Sudrania**  
**Founder & CEO**  
**Sudrania Fund Services Corp**  
[LinkedIn Profile](#)

**HFA Member: 3 Years**

*Short Biography*

I have about 20 years of industry experience working with fund administrators, technology provider, and now as a founder of a fast growing technology led fund administration company based in Chicago, IL. I like to participate in industry events and give back to the community. With the current level of chaos and uncertainty, the industry will go through a massive identity change and certain old rules and methods won't work. I'll like to contribute to that change management and offer my leadership skills to the organization.

*Goals/Objectives as a HFA Director*

I'll have two goals:

- 1) Educate the fund managers to look for their investor interests by way of continuous improvement of their strategies, market research, and use of more technology.
- 2) Prepare the managers to be open minded and not fall for traditional methods of sales, operations, and management. They'll need to change, and most often confront the old guard.

*Have you served as an HFA Leader – Director or other position? Please specify role and time.*

No

*If you have contributed to HFA previously as a member, sponsor or volunteer please provide details.*

N/A

*Do you serve as a leader or volunteer for other nonprofit organizations? If yes please provide a summary.*

I volunteer for CFA Institute time to time. I have been helping the annual grading process of Level III exam. I am also the founder and director of an Indian community organization, 'Chicago Association of Rajasthanis in America'. <https://www.chicagoara.org/> In addition, I also volunteer with CFA Society of Chicago and mentor young CFA charterholders.

*How will you utilize your experience and network to benefit HFA?*

I will like to organize educational events on technology, and the changing landscape of hedge fund operations. I'll also consider making our organization sponsor/co-sponsor for some of the events.