



New York State Internal Control Association

2019-20 Slate of Officers

Membership vote due by **March 29, 2019**

As prescribed by the NYSICA Bylaws Article V, Section B, the slate of officers below are nominated for the positions indicated. The Slate of Officers will be voted on electronically by casting one vote per agency. The NYSICA By-Laws stipulate that each member agency has one vote in the election process. The new Board will take effect April 1, 2019. A formal presentation of officers will be held at the annual spring conference on May 9, 2019 at the Albany Capital Center on Eagle Street, Albany, NY.

Terms of Office: The President, President-Elect, and Immediate Past Chair serve consecutive one-year terms in office. Vice Presidents, Treasurer, and Secretary serve a two-year term.

PRESIDENT

Jack Amodeo, MS in Accounting is the Assistant Controller for the State University Construction Fund. Jack has served as the Fund's Internal Control Officer and is a member of the Fund's Internal Control Advisory Committee.

Jack has 30 years of experience in finance, accounting and management in the public and private sectors. His experience in the private sector includes companies such as General Electric Company. He is an active member of the Institute of the Internal Auditors.



PRESIDENT – ELECT

Ryan Messier is the IRS Compliance Manager for the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance (DTF). In this role, he is responsible for ensuring compliance with the federal tax secrecy requirements promulgated by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). He works closely with the Tax Department's Special Counsel for Ethics, Risk and Compliance and Chief Information Security Officer on a wide range of risk management and internal control activities. In addition to overseeing IRS compliance, Mr. Messier serves as the primary liaison between DTF and the IRS.

Mr. Messier's career with New York State government began fourteen years ago as a Tax Auditor conducting field audits of both individuals and businesses. He went on to work in the Audit Division Director's Office specializing in quality control initiatives and maintaining a division-wide SharePoint site. Mr. Messier also worked on a project team with New York State Office of Information Technology Services to develop Audit Division workflow functionality into DTF's eMPIRE tax processing system.



TREASURER

Lisa Artymowycz joined the Internal Control Office of the New York State Comptroller (OSC) nearly a year and half ago coordinating certifications and helping to assess compliance with the NYS Internal Control Standards. Lisa started her career at OSC in 2012 as an auditor for local governments and school districts where she performed financial and operational reviews. Lisa is an MBA with CPA and CFE designation.

VICE PRESIDENT

Tania Nugent-Graham has 10 years of Government Internal Auditing experience with extensive knowledge of audit, internal controls, and risk management processes and practices. Working as an Internal Auditor in 2008, Tania began working with the Unified Court System as a Junior Internal Auditor in 2006. Preparation for this career path was strengthened by Tania's employment as a Staff Accountant at Bender, Ciccotto, and Co., LLP.

Tania has shown deep commitment to her Board and professional affiliations. Tania has served in the capacities of Treasurer, Vice-President, and Secretary respectively from 2008 through 2013 with the Hempstead Gardens Co-Op Board. Tania is a regular volunteer and member of the Institute for Internal Auditors (IIA) New York City Chapter as well as a member of the New York State Internal Control Association (NYSICA), Association of Certified Fraud Examiners (ACFE), Association of Government Auditors (AGA), and American Association of Notaries.



VICE PRESIDENT

Thomas VerGow has been with the Office of the Medicaid Inspector General (OMIG) for over a decade, including 4 years in the New York City regional office as a Fee-For-Service compliance auditor, and another 3 years supervising a small staff in the OMIG Bureau of Risk Management / Internal Audit in Albany. In his current role as Internal Control Officer (ICO), Thomas is tasked with the implementation of the internal control responsibilities established by the New York State Governmental Accountability, Audit and Internal Control Act of 1987, working with appropriate personnel within the OMIG to coordinate all internal control activities, and helping ensure that the agency's internal control program and annual Internal Control Review (ICR) complies with all State regulatory requirements. Thomas is an active member of the IIA where he earned a Certification of Risk Management Assurance (CRMA).