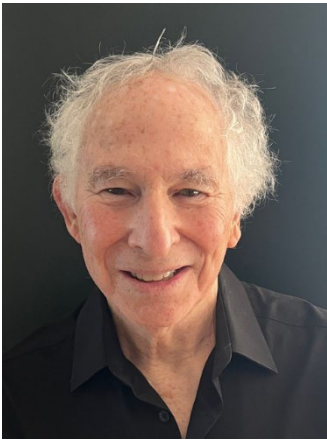


CANDIDATE BIOS

Three-Year Term: July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2028



Michael Coleman (incumbent): Prior to joining the CCRA Board in 2022, Michael had two careers after graduating from college (Wharton) and law school (U of P): first, practicing corporate and securities law and second, after leaving the practice as a partner at a major Philadelphia-based law firm, starting and successfully running a legal search/recruiting firm helping lawyers, law firms, and businesses in the Mid-Atlantic area. Michael always has had a strong interest in the arts, including the founding of Philadelphia Volunteers for the Arts (PVLA), and serving on the Boards of the Philadelphia Drama Guild, Philadelphia College of Art, the University of the Arts, and Philadelphia Theatre Company (PTC). Michael and his wife, Ellen, appreciate and want to help maintain the

beauty of Rittenhouse Square and the surrounding area and enjoy looking for ways to help others through the building of community for area residents and businesses.



Molly Farrell: Molly is a Rittenhouse Square resident who has lived in Philadelphia for seven years. She holds a degree in electrical engineering from Bucknell University and works at Burns & McDonnell in Conshohocken. An active member of the Project HOME Rising Leaders Committee, Molly is passionate about urban improvement, community engagement, and sustainability. She enjoys Philadelphia's sports, food, culture, and city life.



Joel Frisch (incumbent): Joel has spent 20+ years at the intersection of finance and innovation—leading commercial teams, scaling high-growth ventures, and turning partnerships into engines for growth. From Wall Street to startups, he's helped build markets across the US, UK, and beyond, always navigating complexity with a bias for action. Outside of work, Joel's rooted in family and community. He's driven by big ideas, smart teams, and solving real-world problems—and never says no to a good challenge (or a great adventure). He is co-Chair of CCRA's Development Committee.



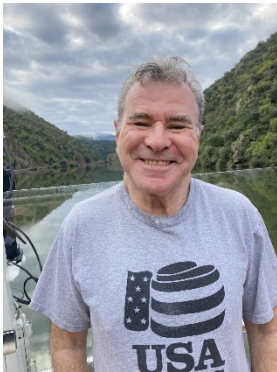
Barbara Halpern (current Vice President): A retired attorney, Barbara has been a resident of Center City West since 2012, and has served on the CCRA Board since 2013. She has held various leadership roles within the organization, including Vice President and Chair of the Membership/Sponsorship Committee. She has also contributed her time and expertise to the Development, Events, and Fundraising Committees. Currently, Barbara serves as CCRA's Director of Community Outreach and Editor of *CCRA This Week*. She also is a board member of Beyond Literacy, a Philadelphia-based nonprofit that provides adult literacy, ESL, and GED programs.



Charles Robin (current Ass't. Secretary): Charles has been an active member of the Center City Residents' Association since 1992. He has served as Vice President, Secretary, Ass't. Secretary, and Treasurer, as well on numerous Taskforces and Committees. He manages a fourth-generation real estate company which has been on the same corner, 20th & Chestnut Street, since 1937, and takes great pride in living and working in Center City. Charles and his wife of 29 years have two beautiful children who both live and work in the Rittenhouse Square neighborhood.



Alexander Roederer: Alex has lived in Philadelphia for almost ten years: first in West Philadelphia while completing a PhD at Penn, and now in Center City since 2021 (after a five-year interlude in Cambridge, Massachusetts). He is a firm devotee of Philadelphia's exemplary artistic institutions, dynamic food scene, and human-scale urban fabric. He works as a software engineer and is especially eager to support CCRA's work on zoning, sustainability, and transportation matters.



Marc Werlinsky (incumbent): A Philadelphia native, Marc is a graduate of Temple University's School of Journalism and the Delaware Law School. A current CCRA Director, Marc is also a certified tour guide and a professional and amateur boxing official. He is a member of CCRA's Communication Committee and is presently involved in planning a special CCRA-sponsored event for next year's commemoration of our nation's 250th birthday.

Two-Year Term: July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2027



Duncan Adkins: Duncan was drawn to Philadelphia (and Center City specifically) from sunny Florida for her walkable neighborhoods, great public transit, and dynamic people. He became active with CCRA shortly after moving to the city, looking to help the neighborhood he fell in love with flourish. When he isn't thinking about cities, Duncan works in User Experience design, volunteers with Philly Bike Action, and enjoys walking his dog Decker around Rittenhouse Square.



Kate Federico (current Vice President): Kate was born, raised, and resides in Rittenhouse Square. She has been on the CCRA Board for 20 + years. She presently is Chair of the House & Garden Tour and Co-Chair of the Development Committee. She also contributes a monthly article, *Real Time Real Estate*, to CCRA's weekly eNewsletter. She is a seasoned real estate expert specializing in Town homes,

Condominiums, and New Construction. When she isn't working or volunteering, you can find her playing tennis, practicing yoga, cooking, or walking her pup "frug" Monte.



Nicole D. Galli: Nicole is the founder and Managing Member of ND Galli Law LLC, a WBENC-certified intellectual property and litigation boutique law firm headquartered in Philadelphia. Nicole has represented numerous companies and individuals in intellectual property and business disputes for over 30 years, particularly in technical litigation, such as trade secrets misappropriation and patent infringement, in a variety of industries and scientific disciplines. Nicole has a long history of professional and community service with a variety of organizations, especially in Philadelphia, and looks forward to serving her neighbors in CCRA in this new role.



Victoria Lynch Mullane: Victoria has called Center City home for 11 years and loves living in the heart of Rittenhouse Square. Alongside studying Business and Economics, she spent over a decade living abroad in Copenhagen, Zurich, Toronto, and Hong Kong — experiences that shaped her passion for dynamic, thriving cities. As an active volunteer, Victoria recently served as Vice President of Membership and currently serves as Director of Development for the Junior League of Philadelphia, one of multiple organizations she is involved in

to help grow community connections and support local initiatives. She's passionate about making Center City an even more vibrant, family-friendly place to live, and is excited to bring her energy, ideas, and deep love for urban life to CCRA.

One-Year Term: July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026



Jessica Kohles: A life-long resident of Fidler Square for over four decades, Jessica is a former ballerina with Pennsylvania Ballet. After her retirement to begin a family with her husband Christopher, Jessica was a repetiteur for the George Balanchine Trust, ballet instructor, and rehearsal director, working with schools and companies in Philadelphia and around the country. Jessica currently serves on a board of her beach community where she is the communications director, and is an active volunteer at her children's school. Jessica is committed to quality of life issues within our community. She takes great pride in

keeping her Fidler Square neighborhood clean and safe, volunteering with Clean Up Philly, applying to be an official block captain, and helping maintain the cleanliness of the Schuylkill River Park and dog runs.



Richard Vaughn (current Executive Vice President): Now retired from a long career in Technology, Richard has returned to one of his first loves, that of journalism and media. EVP and Communications Chair of CCRA, Richard is a bi-coastal Grand Dad who enjoys spending time practicing/playing piano and routinely demolishing the Sunday NYT Crossword.