

CFALA Elects Three New Directors to Board for 2013-2014

LOS ANGELES – CFA Society Los Angeles (CFALA) has named three new members to its 2013-2014 board of directors – Nathanial "Ned" Downes, Christopher G. Luck and Stephanie Luh.

"We are fortunate to have such skilled and dedicated investment industry professionals join our board," said CFALA President Mark Harbour. "All three have historically contributed a great deal of time and effort to CFALA and we look forward to benefitting even more from their expertise in the year ahead."

Downes is an investment associate at UBS Financial Services, where his team is one of the largest discretionary asset managers at the firm. He has served as Coordinator for the CFA Institute Research Challenge hosted by CFALA, a competition between leading Southern California colleges in which students analyze a local publicly-traded company and prepare a written research report and oral presentation.

Luck is President of Luck Partners Consulting, which specializes in providing investment solutions for money management firms. He previously was a partner at First Quadrant, L.P., a quantitative money management firm in Pasadena, and spent eight years at BARRA. Luck is Chair of the Research Foundation Community of Interest, and serves as a judge for the CFALA Institute Research Challenge.

Luh is the founder and chair of the CFALA Women's Group, a supportive network that empowers women to become successful leaders. She has worked as a Vice President, Assistant Portfolio Manager at Tradewinds Global Investors in Century City, Western Asset Management in Pasadena, and Kayne Anderson Rudnick in Century City.

The new directors join an outstanding board that, in addition to Harbour, includes Vice President Kerry Gawne Rapanot, of Payden & Rygel Investment Counsel; Treasurer Rama Malladi, of Kubera Investments LLC; Secretary Nathan Palmer, of Wilshire Associates; Roger Gewecke Jr., Past President, of Clifford Swan Investment Counsel; Monica Erickson, of DoubleLine Investments; Alejandra Folguera, Ph.D., of Miltonian Capital, LLC; and Dan Pomerantz, of Bessemer Trust. All directors hold the CFA designation. Established in 1931, CFALA promotes financial expertise, integrity, and professional skills among our almost 2,000 members and CFA charter candidates. We improve the quality of financial decision-making throughout society by developing our members' ability to provide valuable leadership for their clients, their firms, and the CFA Institute. The means by which we accomplish and communicate our mission includes educational programs, networking events, and public advocacy. For more information, visit www.cfala.org.

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