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## **Denver Metro Chamber Leadership Foundation announces 2016-17 board of directors**

DENVER—The [Denver Metro Chamber Leadership Foundation](#) announced the appointment of nine new members and officers to its board of directors.

The following community leaders will join the other [31 directors](#) in service to the board in September:

- **Ivan Anaya**, President of Astucia Ventures
- **Donna Baros**, Chief Benefits Officer of Colorado PERA
- **Justin Cooper**, Vice President of Saunders Construction
- **Andrea Fulton**, Deputy Director and Chief Marketing Officer of the Denver Art Museum
- **Bill Fulton**, Founder and Executive Director of Civic Canopy
- **Brent Geist**, Vice President of Investments for FirstBank Holding Company
- **Barb Jahn**, Chief Operating Officer of SCL Health - Saint Joseph Hospital
- **Dave Law**, Director of Student Activities and Leadership for Regis University
- **Jon Lehmann**, Senior Director of Government & Regulatory Affairs for Comcast

The board of directors also approved the following officers to begin their term in September 2016:

- **Chair: Darren Markley**, Senior Vice President and Managing Director of U.S. Bank, The Private Client Reserve  
Markley began his career with U.S. Bank as a personal banker, and then led wealth management organizations for two other financial institutions in Colorado, including the Mountain District office of Merrill Lynch Trust Company. He rejoined U.S. Bank in 2009. A Denver resident since his early teens, Darren's community work focuses on the Leadership Foundation and United Way. [Click here](#) to read Markley's full bio.
- **Chair-Elect: Tara Dunn, Associate General Counsel of Ciber, Inc.**  
Dunn started her career as senior vice president and director of Great Divide Brewing Company until she transitioned to practice corporate law in 2005. She was co-founder and served as a director of the Colorado Brewers Guild until she entered law school in 2002. Dunn practiced corporate and securities law in the Denver offices of national and international law firms for 10 years before joining global IT consulting company Ciber, Inc. as associate general counsel.
- **Past Chair: Katie Kramer**, Vice President and Assistant Executive Director of the Boettcher Foundation  
In her role at the Boettcher Foundation, Kramer is responsible for all operational aspects of the \$300+ million foundation. She has been appointed to the role of president and executive director for the foundation, a role she will assume in mid-2017. Kramer was recognized by the Colorado Women's Chamber of Commerce as one of the Top 25 Most Powerful Women of 2016. [Click here](#) to read Kramer's full bio.
- **Secretary: Ruth Rohs**, Vice President of Corporate Communications for The IMA Financial Group, Inc. and Executive Director of The IMA Foundation  
Rohs oversees public relations, marketing and corporate social responsibility for IMA and its five



subsidiaries in Colorado, Kansas, Michigan and Texas. Prior to joining IMA, Rohs was the manager of community relations for Comcast Mile High Region. In addition to serving on the Leadership Foundation board, Rohs serves on the boards of the American Red Cross Mile High Chapter, B:CIVIC, Colorado Association of Funders and the Denver Public Schools Foundation. [Click here](#) to read Rohs' full bio.

- **Treasurer: Jason Maples**, Executive Vice President of Lockton Companies, LLC  
Maples has more than 20 years of experience in the executive benefits business and has specific expertise in the design, implementation and administration of Benefit Restoration Plans, 409A (Nonqualified Deferred Compensation) Plans and alternative benefit strategies to assist companies in their efforts to recruit, reward, retain and retire executive talent. He is active in the community and is the current chair of the Champion's Circle for Mile High United Way's Tocqueville Society.

"There's something in the DNA of Denver metro area leaders that inspires them to get involved in their communities," said current board chair and Boettcher Foundation Vice President and Assistant Executive Director Katie Kramer. "The leaders joining our board are a great representation of that spirit that has come to define our region."

After many years of service to the board of directors, the following members will be ending their term in September:

- **Pat Cortez**, Senior Vice President and Community Affairs Manager of Wells Fargo
- **Mike Fordyce**, President and CEO of Craig Hospital
- **Shannon Jones**, Aurora Market President of FirstBank Holding Company
- **Michael Korenblat**, Director of Legal Affairs – R&M USA for Suncor Energy Services, Inc.
- **Dennis Moore**, Vice President of Sales and Marketing for the Denver Broncos Football Club
- **Kirk Scheitler**, Manager of Policy and Outreach for Xcel Energy
- **Travis Webb**, Colorado Managing Partner of BKD, LLP

"We are grateful to our outgoing board members who have offered years of service to the Leadership Foundation," Kramer said.

*Note to editors: Headshots available upon request.*

#### ***About the Denver Metro Chamber Leadership Foundation***

An affiliate organization of the [Denver Metro Chamber of Commerce](#), the Denver Metro Chamber Leadership Foundation provides the knowledge, skills, networks and experience to inspire leaders to engage in issues critical to the region's success. The Leadership Foundation creates leadership capacity through a continuum of programs, including Leadership Denver, Impact Denver, Leadership Exchange, Access Denver, the Colorado Leadership Alliance and the Leadership Alumni Network. For more information, visit [denverleadership.org](http://denverleadership.org).

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