



2027 CID Officers and Board of Directors Summary of Qualifications



**Lauren Ryan,
2027 President-Elect**
Stirling

Candidate Biography

Lauren Ryan has been with Stirling for the past twelve years and specializes in tenant and landlord representation for leasing and sales transactions throughout Louisiana. She is a member of NOMAR, CID of NOMAR, the International Council of Shopping Centers, and the Retail Brokers Network. She currently serves as CID's 2026 Secretary/Treasurer and volunteers on the Programs, Awards, Budget, and Executive Committees.

Within the community, Lauren serves on the Board of the Ascension DePaul Foundation New Orleans and volunteers on its Keeping Our Promises Gala committee. She has also supported the Young Leadership Council, Dress for Success, and Start The Adventure In Reading and participated in the 2018 Economic Development Ambassadorship Program through the New Orleans Business Alliance.

Previously, Lauren served as Assistant Vice President of Development and Marketing at Horizon Bank in Austin, Texas. She is a graduate of Southern Methodist University with a bachelor's degree in Business Administration and a minor in Communications.



**Victoria Waguespack,
2027 Secretary/Treasurer**
Beau Box Commercial Real
Estate

Candidate Biography

Victoria Waguespack is a commercial real estate agent with Beau Box Commercial Real Estate, specializing in office leasing. She has been an agent since 2018, and has worked in the New Orleans market since 2021. Victoria currently co-represents four high-rise office buildings in the CBD, two office buildings in Elmwood, and works on both landlord and tenant representation. She was named 2024 CID Rising Star and chairs the CID Programs Committee, as well as serving actively on the the Education and Forecast Committees. With experience in marketing, lease negotiations, and strategic deal structuring, Victoria is committed to strengthening the commercial real estate community through service and connection.



Matt Crowell,
Corporate Realty

Candidate Biography

As a Sales/Leasing Agent and Research Analyst at Corporate Realty, Matt Crowell represents landlord and tenant needs for retail and office properties across Louisiana. He helps established organizations and first-time clients position their real estate ventures for success. In his research role, Matt analyzes leasing and sales data, performs financial analysis, identifies market trends, cultivates new opportunities, and supports entities purchasing Class A and non-Class A properties in Louisiana.

Before joining Corporate Realty, Matt worked as an Operations Manager for BMW in Charlotte, North Carolina. He is a licensed Louisiana agent, earned a Bachelor of Arts in Economics with a concentration in Finance from Emory University, and holds an analyst certification from Johns Hopkins University.



Mitchell Halpern,
Corporate Realty

Candidate Biography

Mitchell Halpern is a Sales & Leasing Associate at Corporate Realty, advising landlords, tenants, and investors on retail, office, and industrial transactions throughout Southeast Louisiana. He specializes in site selection, lease negotiations, underwriting, and deal structuring and is actively involved in transaction strategy from initial pricing through execution. His client experience includes work with Tulane University, Delta Utilities, the Ernest N. Morial New Orleans Exhibition Hall Authority, and the National Football League.

A New Orleans native, Mitchell earned a Bachelor of Business Administration in Finance and Real Estate from the University of Colorado Boulder and studied abroad in Florence, Italy. He is a licensed Louisiana real estate agent currently pursuing his CCIM designation.



Michael Plauché,
Coldwell Banker
Commercial TEC

Candidate Biography

Michael Plauché is a Commercial Advisor and Hospitality & Restaurant Specialist with Coldwell Banker Commercial TEC. Drawing on 20 years of hospitality and restaurant experience, he assists food-and-beverage clients with site selection, lease analysis, acquisition, and disposition. His specialties include quick-service and upscale restaurants, hotels, motels, bars, nightclubs, and related commercial properties throughout the Greater New Orleans metropolitan area.

Michael has served on the CID Board of Directors since 2021 and held the roles of Secretary/Treasurer in 2023, President-Elect in 2024, President in 2025, and President Ex-Officio in 2026. His service also includes numerous CID committees, the NOMAR Board of Directors, and the LACDB Board of Managers. He is a CCIM candidate and a graduate of Johnson & Wales University, where he earned degrees in Food Service Management and Culinary Arts with cum laude honors.