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GEORGIA CASA ANNOUNCES NEW AND RETURNING BOARD MEMBERS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025

Atlanta, GA, October 3, 2024 - [Georgia Court Appointed Special Advocates \(CASA\)](#), the state organization that supports and promotes volunteer advocates for children in foster care, announces new and returning board members for the new fiscal year. In addition to governance, board members serve on committees relating to finance, allocation, development, marketing, long-range planning, personnel, events, and programming.

Starting a three-year term this summer, new board members include Laura Brown of Art+Works Creative Solutions, Keagan Clark with Chattahoochee CASA, Michael Eads of Truist, and Marcie Smith with The Children's Haven. Also, Jennifer Alewine of Alewine Law and Ann Rotroff, community volunteer, are returning from their one-year sabbaticals.

"I am thrilled to continue to be a part of an organization as impactful as Georgia CASA," said Laura Brown, Founder of Art+Works Consulting. "I have participated as a CASA volunteer in Dekalb County in the past and know firsthand the importance of a child having an advocate during times of crisis and change. As a board member, I'm committed to supporting the incredible volunteers and staff who amplify the voice of children navigating the foster care system. I'm passionate about working with this team to help ensure every child has the advocacy and support they deserve."

Chair of the Board Kim Harrington of Georgia Tech, Vice Chair Wendy Cobb of Peraton, Secretary Marvin Vaughn of Off Course Consulting, and Treasurer Daniel Hathaway of Hathaway Development serve as officers for the fiscal year of 2025.

Additionally, Judge Anne Barnes, Debbie Caras, Elena Chang, Sandy Day, Lindsay Dycus, Marie Hannon, Katherine Herndon, Bill Holbert, Jane Hale Hopkins, Lauren Hyatt, Dr. Kip Lynch, Ericka McClam, Mandira Mehra, Jessica Merriman, Don Miller, Louise Moore, Julia Neighbors, Wendy Polson, Carlene Redmond, Dianne Scoggins, Jeff Sprinkle, Heather Steen, Rod Walker, Becky Wallis, and Danielle Wilkes return as dedicated board members, serving on various committees.

Finally, Honorary Member Duaine Hathaway and Life Members John P. Adams, Michelle Barclay, Ann Barrett, Ethel Ware Carter, Bernadette Hartfield, Roya Irvani, Kellyn O. McGee, Jack McMillan, Marcy McTier, Donna Shapiro, Nicki N. Vaughan, and Nancy Wood continue in their unwavering dedication to the mission of Georgia CASA.

About Georgia CASA: Forty-six affiliate CASA programs, serving all 159 counties in the state, have been established since Georgia CASA was founded in 1988. Each affiliate CASA program engages the community to train volunteer advocates. Volunteers are everyday citizens who offer individualized attention and best-interest advocacy for children in foster care. The CASA organization is the only model of this kind, built around one child and one compassionate, highly trained adult advocate. For more information about Georgia CASA or to find an affiliate program near you, visit <https://www.gacasa.org/>.

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