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Brian H. Graff, Esq., APM, is CEO of the American Retirement Association, the umbrella organization that encompasses ASPPA, ACOPA, NAPA, NTSA. He started with the organization in November 1996. Brian oversees operations, is a member of the Executive Committee, and working with ARA's Board of Directors, charts the strategic direction for the organization. During his tenure, ARAA has grown from a budget of \$1.6 million to more than \$13 million. Today, the five sister organizations represent more than 15,000 retirement plan professionals and provide advocacy, specialized education and training, networking, and business intelligence to a growing membership base.

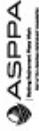
Brian is also a well-known industry speaker, frequently presenting at company and industry conferences on behalf of the employer-sponsored retirement plan system. He is also regularly sought after by the trade and mainstream media, and has been quoted or interviewed by The Washington Post, The Wall Street Journal, and Bloomberg TV.

Brian was formerly Legislation Counsel to the U.S. Congress Joint Committee on Taxation, where he provided policy and technical analysis relating to pensions and employee benefits, health care and Social Security to members of Congress. While working for Congress, he participated in the development of legislation, including the Small Business Job Protection Act of 1996 and the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996. Prior to working on Capitol Hill, Brian was associated with the Washington, DC, law firm, The Groom Law Group, which specializes in employee benefits.



Craig Hoffman, Esquire, APM, is General Counsel and Director of Regulatory Affairs for the American Retirement Association. He has previously served ASPPA as President, Co-chair of the Government Affairs Committee and Co-chair of the Political Action Committee. Prior to joining ARA, Craig served as General Counsel for SunGard Relius LLC., and before that, was in private practice, specializing in the areas of taxation, ERISA, and employee benefits. He received both his J.D. and his LL.M. in Taxation from the University of Florida.





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Kelsey N. H. Mayo, J.D., is a partner with Poyner Spruill LLP, a law firm based in North Carolina. She works with business owners and HR executives to understand and manage employee benefits and executive compensation arrangements. Kelsey routinely represents clients before the Internal Revenue Service and Department of Labor, and has extensive experience in virtually all aspects of employee benefit plans and executive compensation arrangements. She serves on ASPPA's Government Affairs Committee, and presented two ASPPA webcasts in 2017.



Robert Richter is a vice president with FIS Wealth & Management. He manages the consulting department and is instrumental in authoring and supporting SunGard Corbel's retirement plan documents. Robert is a frequent lecturer and author on matters involving qualified retirement plans and cafeteria plans. He currently serves as President of the American Retirement Association. Robert is a member of numerous other organizations, including the Florida Bar and the American College of Employee Benefits Council.



S. Derrin Watson, J.D., is a pension attorney and educator, consulting, speaking, and writing about a variety of pension topics, including 401(k), 403(b), 457, and 409A plans, and Form 5500 issues. He has been involved with qualified plans since 1977 and had his first case involving controlled groups shortly thereafter. Derrin has maintained a strong interest in this area ever since and has become the leading authority on controlled group, affiliated service group, and leased employee issues. He is about to release the 7th edition of his book, *Who's the Employer, A Guide to Employer and Aggregation Issues Affecting Qualified Plans*. In 2006, ASPPA awarded him its Educator's Award for his work in providing professional education to plan practitioners.

