



## The ACTEC Foundation Announces Four New Directors

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**Washington, DC, March 16, 2023:** The American College of Trust and Estate Counsel (ACTEC) Foundation today announced that four ACTEC Fellows were elected to The Foundation's Board of Directors on Friday, March 3, during ACTEC's 2023 Annual Meeting, held in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Foundation President <u>Jeffrey C. Thede</u> (2020-2023) chaired the 2023 ACTEC Foundation Nominating Committee, with members <u>Theron E. Fry</u>, <u>Joseph G. Hodges</u>, Jr., <u>Benetta Y. Park</u>, <u>Bruce S. Ross</u>, and <u>Melissa J. Willms</u>.

Four ACTEC Fellows were elected as Foundation Directors for a three-year term ending in 2026: <u>Keith Bradoc Gallant</u>, <u>Shannon G. Guthrie</u>, <u>William P. LaPiana</u>, and <u>Kendis Kay Muscheid</u>.

Four ACTEC Fellows were elected as 2023-2024 Foundation Officers: <u>John T. Rogers, Jr.</u>, President; <u>Melissa J. Willms</u>, Vice President; <u>Kathleen R. Sherby</u>, Treasurer; and <u>Lora G. Davis</u>, Secretary. <u>Jeffrey C. Thede</u> will serve as Immediate Past President.

Also elected as Foundation Director for a second term ending in 2026 are ACTEC Fellows <u>W. Cameron McCulloch, Jr.</u>, <u>Charles Ian Nash</u>, <u>Benetta Y. Park</u>, and <u>Bruce S. Ross</u>.

**About** <u>The ACTEC Foundation</u>: The ACTEC Foundation is the philanthropic arm of The American College of Trust and Estate Counsel (ACTEC). The Foundation is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) that offers education to families and professionals, and supports students interested in the trust and estate area of the law. Through continued financial support, The ACTEC Foundation offers professional development, scholarships, and education for a number of important efforts, including legal education, educational support, public initiatives, legal publications, and the student editorial board.

About the <u>American College of Trust and Estate Counsel</u> (ACTEC): Established in 1949, The American College of Trust and Estate Counsel (ACTEC) is a national nonprofit association of approximately 2,500 lawyers and law professors from throughout the United States and abroad. ACTEC members (Fellows) are peer-elected on the basis of professional reputation and expertise in the preparation of wills and trusts, estate planning, probate, trust administration, and related practice areas. The College's mission includes the improvement and reform of probate, trust and tax laws, and procedures and professional practice standards. ACTEC frequently offers technical comments with regard to legislation and regulations but does not take positions on matters of policy or political objectives.