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**Voices for Georgia's Children Announces New Board Members**

**ATLANTA** – Voices for Georgia's Children is pleased to announce the election of six new members to its Board of Directors. The newly elected Board members are Ernessa Brawley, Christine Brodnan, Anne Marie Carlisi, Janet Cummings, DeMark Liggins, and Marc Hyunwoo Suh.

"Georgia's children and families face a dynamic and evolving landscape, requiring us to align our strategic priorities to areas of impact that advance kids' ability to thrive," said Judy Fitzgerald, Executive Director for Voices for Georgia's Children. "Engaging smart, principled, and compassionate Board members has been essential to our success over the past 20 years. This new class represents our ongoing commitment to excellence in research, advocacy, and policy work."

Voices' 2024 Board of Directors:

**Officers:**

- Cindy Abel, Chair; *CEO and Founder, Vescent*
- Bobbi Cleveland, Vice Chair; *Executive Director (Retired), Tull Charitable Foundation*
- Baylie Evans, Secretary; *Mergers and Acquisition Associate, King & Spalding, LLP*
- Sandy O'Meara, Treasurer, *Chief Finance Officer, Friends of Forman Christian College*
- Nicola Dawkins-Lyn, Ph.D., Member-at-Large, Executive Committee; *Vice President, ICF*

**Directors-at-large:**

- Gwendolyn Benson, Ph.D., *Associate Dean, Georgia State University*
- Ernessa Brawley, *Healthcare Strategies, Regulatory and Compliance, BakerHostetler*
- Christine (Chris) Brodnan, *Founder, CHB Consulting*
- Anne Marie Carlisi, *Principal, Carlisi & Associates*
- Stacey Chavis, *Managing Director, Campaigns Academy*
- Janet Cummings, Ph.D., *Professor Southeast Mental Health Technology Transfer Center, Project Director, Emory University Rollins School of Public Health*
- Missy Dugan, *Senior Vice President, Government Relations, Boys & Girls Club of America*
- Delmont Early, *Founder and Managing Partner, Carter Hill Advisors*
- Kimberly Hensarling, *Director of Talent and Human Resources, Windham Brannon*
- Elizabeth "Betsy" Higgins, *Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, Oglethorpe Power Corporation*

- Leslie Kurtz, *Chief Financial Officer*, Jackson Healthcare, LLC
- Tameeka Law Walker, MD, *Physician*, Georgia Perinatal Consultants
- DeMark Liggins, *National Vice President*, Southern Christian Leadership Conference
- Joseph Lillyblad, *Director, Education and Workforce Development*, Georgia Power
- Marc Hyunwoo Suh, *Managing Director, Audit*, KPMG
- Belisa Urbina, *Chief Executive Officer*, Ser Familia
- Calvin Ward, *Wealth Advisor*, Truist Financial
- Marc Welsh, *Child Advocacy and Chief Diversity Officer*, Children's Healthcare of Atlanta

You can meet the entire Board of Directors at [www.georgiavoices.org/voices-team](http://www.georgiavoices.org/voices-team).

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### **About Voices for Georgia's Children**

Voices for Georgia's Children is the state's only comprehensive policy and advocacy organization committed to improving the lives of Georgia's children. Through research and analysis, public education, convening and engagement with state decision makers, Voices is striving to ensure ALL children thrive. Our work is framed in a holistic "whole child" perspective that allows us to identify how different policies impact children and to propose solutions that benefit children on multiple levels.