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### **The Association of Legal Administrators Announces 2026-2027 Board of Directors**

April 14, 2026 – Chicago, IL – At its Annual Conference & Expo in National Harbor this week, the Association of Legal Administrators (ALA) inducted its Board of Directors for 2026-2027. Leading the Association and serving as President for 2026-2027 is Elyssa A. Goldstein, CLM, PHR, SHRM-CP, Chief Operating Officer of Rebenack, Aronow & Mascolo, LLP, in New Brunswick, New Jersey. Jessica L. VanTroost of Jacksonville, Florida, will serve as President-Elect. Travis C. Armstrong, CLM, CPA, with English Lucas Priest & Owsley, LLP, in Bowling Green, Kentucky, will continue his service as Immediate Past President of the Board.

Joining them are the following Directors:

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### **About ALA**

The [Association of Legal Administrators](#) (ALA) is a professional, individual membership organization that supports and connects professionals in the management of law firms, corporate legal departments and governmental legal agencies. Founded in 1971, ALA creates excellence, drives innovation and empowers leaders in law. We provide our members with education, resources and a community hub where they can address

challenges, solve problems and innovate for their personal and professional growth which contributes to the success of the legal organizations they work for and the legal industry in general. ALA has 9,000 members worldwide and over 80 local chapters in the United States, Canada and Mexico.

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