

BIOS

THE WOODLAWN CEMETERY

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

CLASS II – TO BE ELECTED AT 2026 ANNUAL MEETING

IAN M. ROWAN

Mr. Rowan has served as a Trustee since 2019 and is Chair of the Board and Chair of the Executive Committee. He is a Senior Vice President with Morgan Stanley Wealth Management in New York City. For nearly thirty years, he has advised families, companies, and institutions in the areas of portfolio management and financial planning. In addition to his work with Morgan Stanley, Mr. Rowan has served as a director for multiple non-profit organizations, with a focus on historic preservation and the arts. Mr. Rowan is a CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER™ certificiant who graduated with a Bachelor of Arts from Kenyon College in Gambier, OH. Mr. Rowan lives with his wife and children in Westchester County and is a part-time resident in Litchfield County, CT and Mt. Desert Island, ME. Mr. Rowan is a member of the Nominating Committee and, as Chair serves ex officio on all committees of the Board.

A’LELIA BUNDLES

A’Lelia Bundles is a newly elected Trustee and has served on the Board of the Woodlawn Conservancy since 2010. She is the author of *Joy Goddess: A’Lelia Walker and the Harlem Renaissance*, the first major biography of her great-grandmother, and of *On Her Own Ground: The Life and Times of Madam C.J. Walker*, about her great-great-grandmother, a hair care industry entrepreneur and philanthropist. She is the founder of the Madam Walker Family Archives, the largest private collection of Walker photographs, memorabilia and ephemera. A’Lelia worked in network television news for thirty years. She is a former vice chair of Columbia University’s Board of Trustees and former board chair of the National Archives Foundation.

A recipient of an Emmy and a du Pont Gold Baton for her television news work, A’Lelia has participated in residencies at Yaddo and MacDowell and was named to Forbes Magazine’s 50 Over 50 Impact list. She graduated magna cum laude from Harvard College and received an MS from the Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism.

ANDREW DOLKART

Andrew Scott Dolkart has served as a Trustee since 2023. He is the James Marston Fitch Professor of Historic Preservation at the Columbia University Graduate School of Architecture, Planning, and Preservation (GSAPP) and the former Director of the school’s Historic Preservation Program. Professor Dolkart is an authority on the preservation of historically significant architecture and an expert in the architecture and development of New York City. He was described as someone who is “without peer among New York’s architectural researchers” by architectural critic Francis Morrone, and he has written extensively on this topic. Before joining the faculty at Columbia, he held a position at the New York City Landmarks Preservation Commission and worked as a

consultant. In 2025, he received the Preservation League of New York State's Pillar of New York Award for his work documenting and preserving New York City's LGBTQ historic sites. Dolkart holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Colgate University (1973) and a Master of Science degree in Historic Preservation from Columbia University (1977); he is a popular lecturer and walking tour guide. Professor Dolkart serves on the Building, Grounds and Historic Preservation Committee.

JEFFREY LAUFER

Jeffrey Laufer is a newly elected Trustee and has served on the Board of the Woodlawn Conservancy since 2023. He is the Corporate Affairs Manager for Con Edison, where he oversees Bronx regional and community affairs. He previously served in various positions at the Office of the Bronx Borough President, including Director of External Affairs and Director of Operations. He was Legislative Director for the New York City Council from 2008 to 2011 and also served as the Community Assistant for Community Board 12 from 2005 to 2008.

Jeffrey holds a BA in Forensic Psychology from John Jay College. He serves on the Board of the Bronx Council for Environmental Quality.

ANDREW PETERS

Mr. Peters has served as a Trustee since 2019. He is a Managing Director at New York Life Investments and Head of the firm's Investment Consulting Group, leading a team responsible for investment risk, investment due diligence and performance oversight of mutual funds, ETFs and private market investments. He is a member of the firm's Valuation Committee, several Risk Committees and its AI Governance Working Group. Previously he held positions of increasing responsibility at Invesco, the Carlyle Group, Oppenheimer Funds and Avenue Capital. He has expertise in investments, risk management, fund governance, credit surveillance and data science. He received an MBA (honors) in Finance from the University of Chicago. Mr. Peters is Chair of the Finance and Investment Committee and serves on the Executive Committee and Sales & Marketing Committee.

HON. JEANETTE RUIZ (RET.)

Judge Ruiz is a newly elected Trustee and has served on the Board of the Woodlawn Conservancy since 2023. She served as the Administrative Judge of the New York City Family Court from 2015 until her retirement in 2021, and was the first Latina to hold that position. Judge Ruiz served as the Supervising Judge of Kings County Family Court from 2012 to 2015 and as Deputy Administrative Judge of the New York City Family Court in 2015. She was appointed Judge of the New York City Family Court in 2007.

During her tenure, Judge Ruiz was a member of the New York State Family Court Advisory and Rules Committee, a board member of the Latino Judges Association and a member of the New York City and New York State Family Court Judges Associations.

Judge Ruiz holds a BA from Hunter College, an MS from the Columbia University School of Social Work and a J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center.