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The National Academy of Arbitrators Welcomes 22 Distinguished New Members

January 1, 2024 -The National Academy of Arbitrators (NAA) is pleased to welcome 22 new members into its ranks, representing the most seasoned arbitrators in the profession. Those elected to membership bring extensive expertise and achievement to the Academy, with each having met the rigorous criteria of completing at least 60 decisions in a six-year period and demonstrated the highest level of ethical conduct in their professional endeavors.

“Each of these new members represent the best of the arbitration profession today, delivering careful neutrality to help resolve pressing issues facing the modern workplace and industry,” said Bill McKee, President of the National Academy of Arbitrators.

Founded in Chicago in 1947, the NAA is a not-for-profit honorary and professional organization of arbitrators in the United States and Canada. With an active roster of nearly 600 elected members, the Academy continues to advance the field of arbitration while enforcing the highest level of ethical conduct.

The following professionals were inducted 2023:

David Clark, J.D.- District of Columbia	Janice Johnston, LL.B.- Ontario, Canada
James Cooney, J.D. - New Jersey	Lee Kraftchick, J.D. - Florida
Robert Barron, J.D.- Pennsylvania	Vincent C. Longo, Esq.- Pennsylvania
Meeta Alberta Bass, J.D.- Ohio	Hilary Mofsowitz- New York
Ezio Borchini, J.D.- Maryland	Mark Gaston Pearce, J.D.-Maryland
Jules Crystal, J.D.- Illinois	Sheri Ross, J.D.- California
Melinda Gordon, Esq.- New York	Michael Whelan, Esq.- New York

The following professionals have been admitted this year, and will be inducted into National Academy of Arbitrators in May 2024:

Dean L. Burrell, J.D. LL.M.- New Jersey	Thomas F. Sonneborn, J.D.- Illinois
Lee Hornberger, J.D.- Michigan	Erica Tener- New York
Colin Johnston, LL.B.- Ontario, Canada	Julie Torrey, Esq.- New York
Vincent C. Longo, Esq.- Pennsylvania	Matthew Wilson, LL.M., LL.B.-Ontario, Canada
Mary J. O’Connell, J.D.- New York	

About NAA

The National Academy of Arbitrators is a professional organization with members in the United States and Canada. The Academy strives to strengthen the profession while advancing knowledge and furthering understanding of labor and employment arbitration. The NAA is a friend of the court in significant appellate litigation, and is a resource for academics and policy makers dealing with labor and employment arbitration issues. For more information about the National Academy of Arbitrators, please visit <https://naarb.org>