



Forum Club Announces 2026-2027 Leadership Team

West Palm Beach, Fla. – The Forum Club of the Palm Beaches today announced its 2026-2027 Executive Committee and Board of Directors that will lead the organization during its 51st season. The Forum Club is Florida's largest nonpartisan political and public affairs organization, inviting national and international leaders from different viewpoints to share their insights with its membership of nearly 800 community leaders. For more than 50 years, the Forum Club has stimulated thought and promoted dialogue by presenting over 500 speakers to share their insights with our community. Last season, speakers included U.S. President Donald J. Trump; former U.S. Secretary of the Treasury and Federal Reserve Chair Janet L. Yellen; and Citadel Founder and CEO Kenneth C. Griffin, among others.

"Our Board of Directors is comprised of some of our community's most respected and accomplished leaders, bringing together a remarkable breadth of experience, expertise, and perspective, said Sarah Criser Elwell, Forum Club Chief Executive Officer. "Their collective leadership strengthens every aspect of the Forum Club's mission and ensures we continue to serve as a trusted, nonpartisan forum where meaningful dialogue can thrive. It is truly a privilege to work alongside this exceptional group of leaders, and I am deeply grateful for their willingness to invest their time, talent, and leadership as we look ahead to another exceptional season."

The 2026-2027 Forum Club Executive Committee includes the following individuals:

- Patrick Franklin; President
- William Shepherd; President-Elect
- Alexandra Chase; Vice President
- Ilan Kaufer; Secretary-Treasurer

"As we begin the Forum Club's 51st season, I am honored to serve alongside such an accomplished and dedicated Board of Directors," said Patrick Franklin, Forum Club Board President. "For more than five decades, the Forum Club has brought together leaders with diverse perspectives to foster thoughtful dialogue on the issues shaping our community, our nation, and our world. This season, we will continue that tradition by welcoming influential voices, engaging our members in meaningful conversations, and inspiring the next generation of civic leaders. I look forward to building on our remarkable legacy and helping lead the Forum Club into another year of exceptional programming and community impact."

The Executive Committee is joined by the 2026-2027 Forum Club Board of Directors, which includes:

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| • Nic Breeding | • Danielle Hickox Moore |
| • David Buchalter | • Harvey E. Oyer, III |
| • Tunjarnika Coleman-Farrell | • Tony Pirozzi |
| • Julie Fisher Cummings | • Diane Quinn |
| • Alyssa Freeman | • Chelsea Reed |
| • Deecy Gray | • Kathryn Rossmell |
| • James Hornung | • Grasford Smith |
| • Phillip Hutchinson | • Ricky Wade |
| • Gary Lesser | • Keith Wedgworth |

For more information about the Forum Club of the Palm Beaches, please visit www.forumclubpalmbeach.org. For questions about the organization and these appointments, please contact Chief Executive Officer Sarah Criser Elwell at selwell@forumclubpb.org or (561) 304-0570.