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Paulita is a partner in the Chicago office of Ropes & Gray LLP. Paulita represents mutual funds and their boards as well as investment advisers throughout the country. Some of the fund complexes with which she works include: Invesco, Prudential, Northern Trust, Jackson National and Calamos. In her capacity as board counsel, Paulita advises on a range of governance issues, including committee structures, committee and chair rotations, succession, director compensation, communications with the press, board and committee self-evaluations, and the identification, selection and orientation of new board members. In her work representing advisers, Paulita counsels on wide-ranging issues, including compliance matters, regulatory filings, public disclosures, corporate restructurings, regulatory communications, contractual matters and client relations, including in the context of subadvisory arrangements.

Paulita received her Juris Doctor from the University of Notre Dame in 1996 and her B.A. in Government and International Studies from the University of Notre Dame in 1993.

Paulita was named as "Independent Fund Counsel of the Year" in 2008 and 2013, along with Paul Dykstra, by Fund Directions. She is on the advisory board of Board IQ, a national bi-weekly publication for mutual fund directors, and on the advisory board of The Mutual Fund Directors Forum, an organization dedicated to mutual fund independent directors. She also is an adjunct professor of law at Northwestern Pritzker Law School and Notre Dame Law School where she and Mr. Dykstra teach mutual fund regulation.

Paulita served on the Executive Committee of the Auxiliary Board of the Art Institute of Chicago since 2005, as a Vice President of the Board from July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2010, and as President of the Board and Trustee of the Art Institute from July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2012. She was elected to the Art Institute Committee on Architecture and Design in February 2013. She is a member of the Board of Directors of the Chicago Shakespeare Theater and served as its Treasurer and Chair of the Finance Committee. She is a member of the Board of Directors of Central Savings in Chicago, and also serves as a member of the Board of Trustees of Catholic Investment Services.