NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Econ Illinois is proud to announce four new board members this year!
The Illinois State Treasurer is among the newly elected board members.

Chicago, January, 20017: Econ Illinois announces the appointment of 4 new board members. Joining the Econ Illinois team are Illinois State Treasurer Michael Frerichs, the Chief Policy and Programs Officer for the State Treasurer’s office Julian Federle, Michael Piotrowski of Marquette Associates and Managing Director of Wellington Management, Gregory Williams.

All three of our newest board members bring their unique talent, financial expertise and energy to the organization. They have demonstrated through their careers a desire to contribute meaningfully to the global marketplace and understand the need to promote economic and financial literacy programs and services throughout Illinois. We are very fortunate to have them join us as we continue to build on the work of Econ Illinois.

Michael Frerichs is the State Treasurer of Illinois. Mr. Frerichs is a CPA and is the state’s Chief Investment Officer. He believes in providing individuals with the tools so that they can invest in themselves. He does this by encouraging savings plans for college and trade school, increasing financial education among all ages, removing barriers to a secure retirement, and protecting residents from predatory companies.

Also joining us this year is Managing Partner of Marquette Associates, Michael Piotrowski. An owner of the firm, Mike has been with the company since 2005. He serves as an investment consultant for several of the firm’s relationships. Mr. Piotrowski’s clients include public funds, Taft-Hartley plans, and foundations.
Julian Federle is the Chief of Policy and Programs in the office of the Illinois Treasurer. Julian Federle oversees operations and strategic planning for the Legislative Affairs, Policy, and Programs Divisions for the Illinois Treasurer’s Office. In addition to overseeing the Office’s legislative and policy priorities, Julian leads the Office’s public facing investment offerings, including Illinois’ 529 College Savings Programs, and is currently developing its 529 ABLE and Secure Choice programs.

Gregory Williams will be joining the Econ Illinois Board as well. As a business development manager within the Wellington Management’s Global Relationship Group, Greg is responsible for sales and marketing efforts to multiple client segments in the southern US region. His role is to understand the needs of institutional investors and to provide solutions to meet those needs from the firm’s broad product offerings.

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