

# Announcement

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## Laura Evangelista Takes on Regulatory Affairs at the Life Insurance Council of New York

**Albany, NY, September 12, 2024** – The Life Insurance Council of New York (LICONY) today announced that Laura Evangelista has joined LICONY as Managing Director of Regulatory Affairs. Laura will be responsible for helping to identify regulatory issues facing the life industry in New York, developing advocacy positions, and providing compliance support to member companies. Laura succeeds longtime LICONY, staff member Diane Stuto, who retired at the end of June.

"Laura brings a wealth of insurance regulatory experience to LICONY, from both her time in private practice and in government that will immediately benefit the life industry in New York" said Rich Loconte, President/CEO of LICONY. "Having worked with Laura at the Department and in her capacity as our outside counsel, I am very confident that Laura has the capabilities to successfully strengthen our regulatory advocacy as we work to create a more sustainable business environment to better serve both the life insurance industry and its customers."

Prior to joining LICONY, Laura served as a Government Law & Policy shareholder at Greenberg Traurig and was the Co-Chair of the Insurance Regulatory and Transactions Practice. At Greenberg, she focused her practice on insurance and financial services matters, including regulatory and transactional issues.

Previously Laura was Executive Deputy Superintendent of Insurance at the New York Department of Financial Services (DFS), where she collaborated with other state regulators, trade associations, and consumer groups. While at DFS, she worked on policy initiatives, including formulation of regulations and industry guidance, and supervised insurance matters such as financial solvency examinations, market conduct examinations, and insurance company acquisitions. Prior to her time at DFS, Laura was a commercial litigator at national and regional law firms and also served as legal counsel for an international insurance broker and reinsurance intermediary.

"As someone who has worked closely with LICONY over the years, in a variety of roles, I am excited to join the team and contribute to the organization's mission to support life companies doing business in New York," said Laura. I look forward to leveraging my expertise and working closely with our members to address industry challenges and opportunities."

Earlier this year, Laura was named to City & State's 2024 "Above & Beyond: Women" list. City & State noted that Evangelista's "fresh government insights are invaluable to clients seeking advice on new insurance products."

### About the Life Insurance Council of New York

LICONY is the trade association representing the life insurance industry doing business in New York State. LICONY's 53 domestic and 21 nondomestic member companies together provide the majority of life, disability income, long-term care insurance, and annuity benefits for New Yorkers.

LICONY is governed by a 16-member Board of Directors that meets at least four times a year.

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