

Exciting Announcement: Ria Davis named FWA Executive Director

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I am delighted to be able to announce that Ria Davis, long time passionate member of the FWA, active participant in our leadership team for many years and currently our President-Elect will assume the responsibilities of FWA Executive Director, effective January 1, 2017.

In compliance with FWA's bylaws, Ria has stepped down from her role as President-Elect in order to accept the role of Executive Director. The FWA Nominating Committee will work over the next few months to ensure that a full slate of candidates for all open officer positions is ready to be voted in at the Annual Meeting of Members in June ensuring that we have continuity in our leadership.

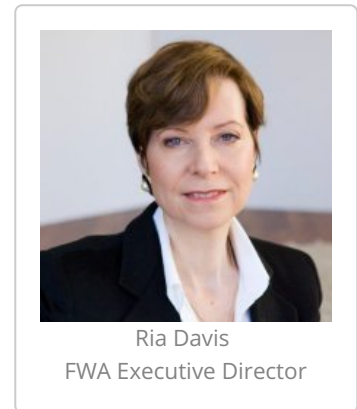
Ria holds both a B.A. and J.D. from the University of Pennsylvania and is currently General Counsel and Chief Compliance Officer of a New York City hedge fund, where she has been since 2007.

Prior to the hedge fund, Ria held various positions at Citigroup culminating in Chief of Staff to the CIO. She also worked as an attorney at various law firms earlier in her career. Ria has also participated as a Board member at a number of not-for-profit and civic organizations bringing this experience with her to her new role.

Please join me in wishing Ria well as she undertakes to bring her passion for excellence and her love of the FWA to the role of Executive Director. We are indeed fortunate that she has chosen to accept this challenge.

Best,

Katrin Dambrot
FWA President



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