

# NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF THE POLISH & SLAVIC FEDERAL CREDIT UNION AND ELECTION PROCEDURES

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE POLISH & SLAVIC FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

## ***Please be advised of the following:***

The Polish & Slavic Federal Credit Union's Annual Meeting will take place on **Saturday, May 12, 2018 at 5 pm at the Polish & Slavic Federal Credit Union's Operations Center, 9 Law Drive, Fairfield NJ 07004.** At this meeting, the results of our annual election will be reported to the membership. Due to the expiration of the terms of four directors, four seats on the Board of Directors will become available. Four candidates who receive the highest number of votes cast will serve three-year terms.

**The following candidates were nominated to the Board of Directors in the Elections of 2018 (listed in alphabetical order):**

**Elzbieta Baumgartner  
Halina Bielowicz  
Andrzej Cierkosz  
Malgorzata Czajkowska  
Bozena Kajewska-Pielarz  
Iwona Korga, PhD  
Bogdan Ogorek  
Franciszek R. Piwowarczyk  
Iwona Podolak  
Danuta Sieminski  
Marzena Wierzbowska**

The deadline to receive completed ballots by the election Company is 11:59 pm EDT, on May 7, 2018.

The 2018 Elections will be conducted by paper ballot with optional electronic voting, available to those PSFCU Members who are registered online banking users.

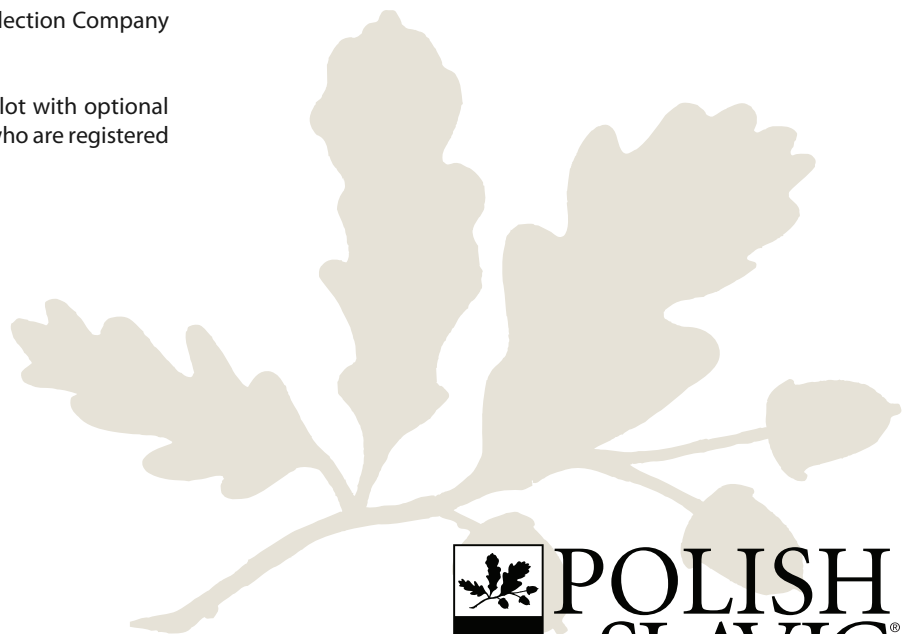
Detailed voting instructions are listed below:

## **VOTING BY MAIL:**

- ❶ Sign the Validation Certificate. Your ballot cannot be counted if you do not sign your name in the box provided.
- ❷ Cast your vote using the ballot. Mark your choice(s) by placing an  or  in the appropriate box(es). Do not write your name or otherwise identify yourself on the ballot.
- ❸ Detach the Validation Certificate from the ballot.
- ❹ Fold ballot in half and seal it using tape or glue. Do not staple.
- ❺ Insert the Validation Certificate and the sealed ballot in the enclosed pre-paid return envelope.
- ❻ Mail in the envelope.

## **ELECTRONIC VOTING:**

To access your ballot log into your online banking at [www.psfcu.com](http://www.psfcu.com) or through your mobile banking application on your smart phone.



# BIOGRAPHY NOTES

## ELZBIETA BAUMGARTNER

PSFCU Member since 2003



### EMPLOYMENT:

Author and owner of Poradnik Sukces, a consumer and financial guide for Polish Immigrants in the US (since 1989); Programmer/Analyst at Bankers Trust Company (1986-1989).

### EDUCATION:

Master of Science, Computer Science, City University of New York (1985); Bachelor of Science, Computer Science, CUNY Baccalaureate Program\*; Master of Science, Mechanical Engineering, Politechnika Podlaska, Bialystok, Poland (1973).

### AFFILIATIONS:

PSFCU Board of Directors (since 2003); Second Vice Chairperson (2009), Secretary, and First Vice Chairperson (2011); Member of Polish-American Congress Long Island Chapter; Member of Kosciuszko Foundation; Member of Polonia Technica.

## HALINA BIELOWICZ

PSFCU Member since 2015



### EMPLOYMENT:

President of H.L.B. Accounting and Income Tax Preparation (1988-1991 and since 1999); Assistant Director of Department of Financial Institutions, State of Illinois (1991-1999); Chief Financial Officer at Polumer, Inc. (1982-1988).

### EDUCATION:

Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration, University of Illinois, IL (1970).

### AFFILIATIONS:

Member of Chicago-Warsaw Committee, Sister Cities International (since 1994); Member of Legion of Young Polish Woman (since 1992); Treasurer (2012-2015); Debutante White and Red Ball Chair (2004 and 2013); President of Polish Woman's Alliance of America, Group 43; Member of Norwest Board of Metropolitan Family Services, Social Services Agency (since 2005); Chairperson of Polish-American Woman's Action Committee; Member of University of Illinois Alumni Association (since 1970).

## ANDRZEJ CIERKOSZ

PSFCU Member since 2007



### EMPLOYMENT:

Employed in construction sector since 1999; Co-founder and Program Director of Dobra Polska Szkoła internet portal (since 2010); Producer, cinematographer, editor of educational short movies (since 2010)\*; Owner of the "Tania Książka" bookstore franchise, Warsaw, Poland (1993-1999).

### EDUCATION:

Secondary Technical School of Construction, Jelenia Gora, Poland (1983); Studied Philosophy at Jagiellonian University and Warsaw University, Poland (1984-1987). Did not graduate.

### AFFILIATIONS:

Dobra Polska Szkoła Foundation, Co-founder (2010) and Program Director (since 2018); Polish & Slavic Center, Member (since 2007).

## MALGORZATA CZAJKOWSKA

PSFCU Member since 1990



### EMPLOYMENT:

Special Education Teacher at New Vision High School (since 2017); High School for Language and Diplomacy (2012-2017); Polish Language Teacher at Polish Supplementary School in Hempstead (since 1999); Educational Paraprofessional at High School for Language and Diplomacy (2010-2012).

### EDUCATION:

Master of Science, Special Education, City College, New York (2004); Master of Arts, University of Gdansk, Poland (1989); Post graduate in Teaching Polish as a Foreign Language, University of Marie Curie Skłodowska, Lublin, Poland (2009); Students with Disabilities Certification, New York State.

### AFFILIATIONS:

PSFCU Board of Directors, Board Member (since 2012), currently 2nd Vice Chairperson; Children's Smile Foundation Board Member, currently serving as Secretary (since 2012); Member of Polish Supplementary School Council of America Inc.; Participates in organization of Polish Exams - LOTE.

## BOZENA KAJEWSKA-PIELARZ

PSFCU Member since 1985



### EMPLOYMENT:

Since 2005, retired employee of American Building Management (1988-2005); Teacher at Henryk Sienkiewicz Polish Supplementary School (1984-1992); Principal of Pulaski Polish Supplementary School (1992-2005); Co-owner of EdArt Video, Inc. (1980-2005).

### EDUCATION:

Graduate of School of Law and Administration, University of Wroclaw, Poland\*; Graduate of Post-Diploma School of Shorthand Typing and Foreign Languages, Warsaw, Poland (1975).

### AFFILIATIONS:

PSFCU Board of Directors, Board Member (since 2012; previously 2006-2009); American-Polish Council of New York, Founding Member; Disabled Children's Foundation, Board Secretary (Mielnica, Poland); Kazimierz Pulaski Polish Supplementary School, Founding Member; Citizen of the Year by Polish American World (2003); Awarded Medal of the National Education Commission, Poland (2000).

## IWONA KORGA, PHD

PSFCU Member since 2002



### EMPLOYMENT:

President of Pilsudski Institute of America (since 2016); associated with the Pilsudski Institute since 1994 as volunteer, part time librarian (since 1998), Assistant to the President, Executive Director in charge of administration office, archives and library (since 2005); Author of publications, and a book on Polish-American relations during and after World War II; Teacher at Polish Supplementary School, Cyril and Methodius RC Church, Greenpoint (since 2014); Teacher at Polish Supplementary School in Maspeth, NY (1996-2001).

### EDUCATION:

Ph.D in Humanities, Pedagogical University, Krakow, Poland (1994); Master of Library Science, Queens College, CUNY (2008); Master of Arts in History, Pedagogical University, Krakow, Poland (1991).

### AFFILIATIONS:

Second Vice President, Polish American Historical Association; Golden Cross of Merit, Silver Medal of Merit to Culture, Gloria Artis.

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## BOGDAN OGOREK

PSFCU Member since 2018



### EMPLOYMENT:

Employed as industrial automation electrician in family business Eltronix Services (since 1994).

### EDUCATION:

Graduated from Marie Curie Skłodowska High-School in Chicago; Continued education at DeVry University\*; Specialized courses in PLC Programming, Automation Engineering and Sound Engineering.

### AFFILIATIONS:

Board Member of John Paul II Foundation in Chicago (since 2012); Vice President of the board (2017); Board Member of Polish Museum of America (since 2016); Member of Polonia Ministry Board at Chicago Diocese (2015); Member of Village of Justice Zoning Board (since 2011); Business manager of Holy Trinity Polish Church (since 2008); Co-founder and President of the Tatra Mountain Cultural Foundation (since 2007); Member of Polish Highlanders Alliance of North America (since 1989).

## FRANCISZEK R. PIWOWARCZYK

PSFCU Member since 1993



### EMPLOYMENT:

Detective Lieutenant/Commander, employed by the Police since 2004, Commander at Office of Professional Standards (since 2016), Head of OIC at Criminal Investigation Bureau (2015-2016), Section Supervisor at Detective Division (2013-2015), Detective Investigator at Internal Affairs Division (2009-2011), Police Officer, Irvington Township Police Department (2004-2009).\*

### EDUCATION:

Studied Criminal Justice at Essex County College, NJ (2004)\*; Completed Police Training Courses: Police Training Commission/Basic Police & SLEO II, Essex County Police Academy (1999 & 2004).

### AFFILIATIONS:

PSFCU Supervisory Committee, Member (since 2015); Polish-American Congress, Member; St. Casimir R.C. Church, Member of Finance Committee; Superior Officers Association, Executive Board Member; International Police Association, Member; General Pulaski Day Parade Committee Member (Newark Division).

## IWONA PODOLAK

PSFCU Member since 2003



### EMPLOYMENT:

Businesswoman and President of Polskie Biuro (since 1998); Loan Officer, Barrister Mortgage & Investments (2004-2007); Loan Officer, Marquis Mortgage Association (2002-2003); Accountant at Wawel Bank (1996-1997); Accountant at Konikowski Insurance Agency Inc. (1995-1996).

### EDUCATION:

Bachelor of Science, Accounting and Finance, Mercy College, New York (1997), graduated with honors; IRS authorized provider certification.

### AFFILIATIONS:

PSFCU Board of Directors (since 2012), Board Secretary (since 2013), 1st Vice Chairperson (2016-2017); PSFCU Nominating Committee, Member (2013); Polish People's Home, Board Member; Cracovia Manor, Board Member; Great Orchestra of Christmas Charity, co-organizer; Polish-American Club of North Jersey, Member.

## DANUTA SIEMINSKI

PSFCU Member since 1988



### EMPLOYMENT:

Retired since April 2018; President/CEO, Wawel Bank (Sep. 2017- March 2018); Vice President, NYC Market Retail, Kearny Bank (2014-2016); President/CEO, Atlas Bank (2007-2014); Vice President of Operations, POLAM FCU (2006-2007); Vice President of Operations, Independence Community Bank (2005); Polish & Slavic FCU (1985-2004); CEO (2002-2004), SVP/COO (1995-2002).

### EDUCATION:

MBA in Management, Fairleigh Dickinson University, Teaneck, NJ (1997); School of Banking Certificate, American Institute of Banking, New York, NY (1990); MA in History & Teaching, University of Silesia, Poland (1977); Strategic Planning, CEO Institute - CUES, Stanford University, San Francisco, CA (2000); Real Estate Salesperson Certificate (2015).

### AFFILIATIONS:

President of Maria Skłodowska-Curie Professional Women's Association; Member of: United Poles in America, Polish Cultural Foundation, Polish & Slavic Center, Polish American Heritage League, Pulaski Day Parade Committee, Credit Union Women's Council Leadership.

## MARZENA WIERZBOWSKA

PSFCU Member since 2000



### EMPLOYMENT:

Self-employed, stock market investor (since 2009); Program Director of Social and Legal Services at the Polish Cultural Foundation (2009); Social worker at the Polish and Slavic Center (2007-2009); Program Director of the Community Action Program at PSC and Program Coordinator of ESL (free of charge English classes).

### EDUCATION:

B.A. in Psychology, New York University (2005); Completed Executive Education Program at Columbia University Graduate School of Business (2012); Political Science and Journalism, Warsaw, Poland (1999)\*.

### AFFILIATIONS:

Secretary of the PSFCU Board of Directors (2016-2017); Chairperson of the PSFCU Board of Directors (2011-2013); Member of the PSFCU Board of Directors (2007-2013 and since 2014-2017).

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