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**NCSLA ANNOUNCES 2022-2023 OFFICERS**

*Alcoholic Beverage Regulators from 13 States to Provide Leadership on 2022-23 Executive Committee*

**July 1, 2022** – The National Conference of State Liquor Administrators, Incorporated (NCSLA) is pleased to announce its Executive Committee for fiscal year July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023. The officers and regional chairpersons elected at the NCSLA annual business meeting on June 22, 2022, are:

<b>President</b>	Stephanie Strauss of Iowa
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Vice President</b>	Travis Hill of Virginia
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President</b>	Steven Marks of Oregon
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President</b>	Ernest Legier of Louisiana
<b>Immediate Past President</b>	Thomas Philpot of Florida
<b>Northern Region</b>	Rodrigo Diaz of Pennsylvania, Chair Timothy Poulin of Maine, Vice Chair
<b>Southern Region</b>	Erik Smoot of Oklahoma, Chair Russell Thomas of Tennessee, Vice Chair
<b>Central Region</b>	Debbi Beavers of Kansas, Chair Dorothy Taylor of Missouri, Vice Chair
<b>Western Region</b>	Michelle Stone-Principato of Colorado, Chair Becky Schlauch of Montana, Vice Chair.

Additionally, two associate member representatives will serve as ex-officio members of the NCSLA Executive Committee on two-year terms, including:

**FY 2022 and FY 2023** Michael Martinez of Greenspoon Marder, LLP; and  
**FY 2023 and FY 2024** Tyler Rudd of Wine Institute.

**2022-2023 NCSLA President Stephanie Strauss**

Stephanie Strauss has served as an Executive Officer at the Iowa Alcoholic Beverages Division since 2010, leading the Division’s governmental affairs program. In this role, she works in collaboration with the Administrator and the senior leadership team to develop the policies, initiatives, goals, and objectives of the Division. Her duties include developing and securing enactment of the Division’s legislative package, coordinating rule-making activities, and communicating to members of the executive and legislative branches and other stakeholders on controversial, sensitive, and complex issues related to alcohol policy. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Southern Illinois University in Business Administration.

Ms. Strauss has served on the NCSLA Executive Committee in various positions since July 2016. “Stephanie is a dedicated public servant and has proven her leadership in this industry over the last 12 years. I am pleased that she is being recognized with this distinguished role and am excited to see the initiatives she will roll out over the next year as she leads this organization,” said Stephen Larson, Administrator of the Iowa Alcoholic Beverages Division (ABD).

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**About National Conference of State Liquor Administrators, Incorporated:**

A national, 501(c)(3) corporation founded in 1934, in Chicago, Illinois, NCSLA is composed of state regulators as active members, and associate members consisting of manufacturers, wholesalers, retailers, law firms, associations, and other service-related organizations in the alcoholic beverages sector. Currently, regulatory agencies from 41 of 50 states and the District of Columbia are active NCSLA members. The primary focus of NCSLA is education on historical and current issues related to the regulation of alcoholic beverages. Visit [www.ncsla.org](http://www.ncsla.org) for more information.