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## Women in Cable Telecommunications Announces 2017 Board of Directors

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*Martha Soehren, Comcast, serving in final year as Chair; Marva Johnson, Charter Communications, elected Vice-Chair*

*New Directors-at-Large include Karen Buchholz, Comcast; Lisa Hook, Neustar; Mary McLaughlin, Comcast; Judith Mills, Mediacom; Michele Parks, Cox Communications; Lisa Schwartz, Sundance Selects & IFC Films; and Alaka Williams, Scripps Networks Interactive. Special Designee Directors-At-Large are Marcy DeAngelis, Comcast; and Denise Gough, Scripps Networks Interactive.*

**Washington, DC** - Women in Cable Telecommunications (WICT) today announced the members of its 2017 Board of Directors.

**Martha Soehren**, Chief Talent Development Officer & SVP, Comcast University & Comcast Cable, enters her third and final year as Board Chair. **Marva Johnson**, Regional VP, State Government Affairs (South), Charter Communications, has been elected to the role of Vice-Chair and will become Chair in 2018.

**Angela Santone**, EVP & Global Chief Human Resources Officer, Turner, rose to the Executive Committee and will serve as Treasurer. New At-Large Members of the Board of Directors are: **Karen Buchholz**, SVP, Administration, Comcast; **Lisa Hook**, President & CEO, Neustar; **Mary McLaughlin**, Regional SVP, Beltway Region, Comcast; **Judith Mills**, Group VP, Human Resources, Mediacom; **Michele Parks**, Vice President, Talent Management, Cox Communications; **Lisa Schwartz**, Co-President, Sundance Selects & IFC Films; and **Alaka Williams**, SVP, Network Human Resources, Scripps Networks Interactive.

In addition, two individuals will serve one-year terms as Directors-At-Large in special roles. **Marcy DeAngelis**, Senior Director, Business Process Effectiveness, Comcast Cable, is the Emerging Leader Designee and **Denise Gough**, VP, Business & Legal Affairs, Scripps Networks Interactive, is the Chapter Leader Designee.

The WICT Board brings together members with dynamic and deep industry experience and distinctive perspectives and backgrounds. It represents the diverse and evolving functions and operations of the cable industry. A list of returning board members appears below. Full members' bios can be found [here](#).

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"I am honored and excited to chair WICT's board for another year, along with such exceptional industry leaders," said **Martha Soehren**. "WICT cultivates leadership diversity by developing, empowering and elevating women, which is needed now more than ever in this time of rapid industry change. Many of the remarkable individuals on the board have enhanced their career skills through WICT's renowned leadership education."

## 2017 WICT Board of Directors

### Executive Committee

Chair: **Martha Soehren**, Chief Talent Development Officer & SVP, Comcast University & Comcast Cable

Vice-Chair: **Marva Johnson**, Regional VP, State Government Affairs (South), Charter Communications

Treasurer: **Angela Santone**, EVP & Global Chief Human Resources Officer, Turner

Strategic Planning Chair: **Marc Aldrich**, SVP, Global Service Provider, Cisco Systems, Inc.

Chapter Development Chair: **Jocelyn Cooley**, SVP, Human Resources, Viacom Media Networks

Development Chair: **Sandy K. Howe**, SVP & General Manager, Consumer Products Group, ARRIS

Governance Chair: **Michelle Rice**, EVP, Content Distribution and Marketing, TV One

President & CEO: **Maria E. Brennan**, CAE, Women in Cable Telecommunications

### Returning Directors-at-Large

**Amy M. Blair**, SVP, Chief Human Resources Officer, Liberty Global

**Catherine Bohigian**, EVP, Government Affairs, Charter Communications

**Justin Connolly**, EVP, Affiliate Sales and Marketing, Disney & ESPN Media Networks

**Tamara Franklin**, EVP, Digital, Scripps Networks Interactive

**Catherine Frymark**, SVP, Corporate Communications, Discovery Communications

**Jen Neal**, EVP, Marketing, E! and Esquire Networks

**Kathleen O'Reilly**, Senior Managing Director, Communications, Media & Technology, Accenture

**Jane Rice**, SVP, Distribution, A+E Networks

**Debbie Stang**, Chief Operating Officer, Midco

**Leigh Woisard**, SVP, Corporate Communications & Public Affairs, Cox Communications

### About WICT

For over thirty-five years, Women in Cable Telecommunications (WICT) has partnered with cable and

telecommunications leaders to provide professional development programs, research and services that help advance women in media. With over 10,000 members, WICT is the oldest and largest professional association serving women in the industry. **Comcast NBCUniversal, Charter Communications, and Turner** are WICT's Strategic Touchstone Partners. Please visit [www.wict.org](http://www.wict.org) or follow [@WICT](https://twitter.com/WICT) on Twitter for more information.