



## News Release

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## **SLA To Hold Annual Meeting Virtually on February 15**

**SAN RAMON, CA**—The Surplus Line Association of California (SLA) will hold its all-virtual Annual Meeting from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Pacific time on Wednesday, February 15.

The chair of the SLA's Board of Directors, Janet Beaver of Aurenity, and the SLA's CEO, Benjamin McKay, will report on trends in the California surplus lines market; the strong fiscal and operational condition of the SLA; and the association's key initiatives (such as Diversity, Equity and Inclusion and our ongoing efforts to help its members reach 100% compliance).

"We are really looking forward to letting our members know how the SLA is working to be a modern, credible leader, a problem-solver, and a great resource for the entire surplus lines community," Beaver said. "We really have a great story to tell, and we can't wait to share that story with our members."

Keynote speaker Nancy Giordano, a strategic futurist, corporate strategist, and bestselling author will talk about artificial intelligence, which is currently a major point of focus in the insurance legislative and regulatory communities.

"The usage of AI by insurers is currently a key topic for regulators and legislators, and we thought having Nancy Giordano talk to our members about it would be very timely, appropriate, and interesting," McKay said. "This is an extremely important issue, and I think attendees are in for a fascinating, informative, and really relevant presentation. We are excited to bring this caliber of a speaker to our members."

Attendance is free of charge, and all members of California's surplus lines community are encouraged to attend. To register, please [click here](#).

**ABOUT THE SLA:** The Surplus Line Association of California (SLA) operates as a self-governed private organization. Appointed by the Commissioner in 1994, the Association serves as the statutory surplus line advisory

organization to the California Department of Insurance (CDI) and facilitates the state's capacity to monitor and direct surplus line brokers' placements of insurance with eligible surplus line insurers. Working with its members and the CDI, the Association assists its members' compliance with California laws and regulations; helps maintain a healthy, fair, and competitive surplus line marketplace in California; and strives to protect the interests of California insurance consumers.

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