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Waterfront Alliance Announces Three New Board Members

Hillary Lane, Richard Larrabee, and Peter Madonia Bring Expertise from the Worlds of Media, Maritime Commerce, and Government and Philanthropy

New York, NY—The [Waterfront Alliance](http://WaterfrontAlliance.org) is pleased to welcome three new members to its board of trustees: civil engineer and former television correspondent **Hillary Lane**, former Port Authority of New York & New Jersey director of port commerce Rear Admiral **Richard Larrabee**, and resilience expert and former chief operating officer of The Rockefeller Foundation **Peter Madonia**.

The Waterfront Alliance, a coalition of more than 1,000 partners, builds consensus and influences waterfront policy and planning in the New York and New Jersey metropolitan region, advocating for waterways alive with commerce and recreation, a healthy marine ecology, and forward-thinking resilience.

"I am thrilled that Hillary Lane, Rick Larrabee, and Peter Madonia have chosen to join our board of trustees. With their energy and ideas, our board, staff, and esteemed partners will expand our vital work at the waterfront. There's never been a more important time for innovative waterfront initiatives," said Chris Ward, chairman of the Waterfront Alliance.

Hillary Lane worked for 15 years in broadcast news as a correspondent for NBC News and CNN, where she reported on a wide range of general, business, and science news, including the September 11th attacks and several Atlantic and Gulf Coast hurricanes. She graduated cum laude with a Bachelor of Science from The Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania. Hillary is exploring new ventures in the field of coastal and urban resilience after recently earning a Master of Science in Civil Engineering, with a focus on coastal engineering, from Old Dominion University.

Rick Larrabee retired as director of the port commerce department of The Port Authority of New York & New Jersey where, from 2000–2015, he oversaw the management and operation of the major marine terminal facilities and a multi-billion-dollar port redevelopment program that included deepening harbor channels and berths, improving intermodal connections, and protecting sensitive environments. Prior to joining the Port Authority, Rick held the rank of Rear Admiral in the United States Coast Guard, serving as Commander First Coast Guard District in Boston, Massachusetts, and overseeing all Coast Guard operations in the Northeast United States. He holds a Master of Science in ocean engineering from the University of Rhode Island and a Bachelor of Science from the United States Coast Guard Academy.

Peter Madonia spent 12 years at The Rockefeller Foundation, retiring earlier this year as its chief operating officer. At the Foundation, he directed strategies for financial and operational functions; managed regional offices in Nairobi, Kenya and Bangkok, Thailand, along with The Rockefeller Foundation Bellagio Center in Bellagio, Italy; and was deeply involved with the Foundation's 100 Resilient Cities program. Prior to joining The Rockefeller Foundation, Peter served as chief of staff to Mayor Michael Bloomberg. He was also first deputy commissioner of the Fire Department, deputy commissioner for budget and operations at the Department of Buildings, and chief of staff to the deputy mayor for operations. Peter owns and for 12 years operated Madonia Bakery, a family business in the Bronx that turns 100 years old this year. He received a bachelor's degree from Fordham University, where he has taught urban studies as an adjunct professor. He has a master's degree in urban studies from the University of Chicago.

"As our coastal region and city grow rapidly in terms of population and development, one of the biggest challenges will be to protect our waterfront and develop it safely for the use and enjoyment of all. I am excited to be part of the Waterfront Alliance team that is so instrumental in addressing these challenges and uniting the many different interests toward our shared goal," said Ms. Lane.

"As Port Director, I worked closely with the Waterfront Alliance and had great respect for the organization's efforts to make New Yorkers more aware of the Port and its importance to our region," said Mr. Larrabee. "I am now honored to be a member of the board and help further the organization's focus on better use of our waterfront, and specifically the work being done on resiliency."

"Someone has to watch our waterfront. I am proud to join the Alliance in support of those people and organizations committed to doing just that," said Mr. Madonia.

The Waterfront Alliance works to protect, transform, and revitalize our harbor and waterfront, and warmly welcomes Hillary, Rick, and Peter to its 21-member [board of trustees](#).

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