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### **Peconic Landing Expands Board of Trustees New Appointments Announced**

GREENPORT, N.Y., April 27, 2018 – Peconic Landing is proud to announce the appointment of three new members to its Board of Trustees, bringing Board leadership to its fullest complement since the inception of the organization.

Joining the Board are Claudia Ward of Bridgehampton, Eileen McGuire of Peconic and Paul May of Southold.

Peconic Landing's 14-member Board of Trustees is responsible for ensuring the fiduciary integrity of the organization while driving optimal performance of services delivered to the membership of the community. The Board approves all operating budgets, annual operating plans, and strategic planning initiatives.

"A primary goal during my tenure as Board Chair has been the strategic expansion of our already extraordinary Board. The Peconic Landing Board of Trustees is a key strength of our organization due to the expertise, commitment, and professional experience of its members. Attracting Board members to Peconic Landing is easy, however, recognizing opportunities to strengthen areas of professional diversity and expertise with prospective members that meet Peconic Landing's high standards of commitment and integrity – who are also mission-driven – was an exciting challenge," said Sandra K. Novick, Chair of Peconic Landing's Board of Trustees. "On behalf of the entire Board, we could not be more pleased to welcome our new Board members. We look forward to their contributions to the Peconic Landing community for years to come."

The new appointments took place during regularly scheduled board meetings with terms starting in January 2018.

"When looking for candidates, the board was strategic in its search for new expertise to enhance the effectiveness of their already experienced team," said Robert J. Syron, President and CEO of Peconic Landing. "We now have new perspectives on best practices in

areas of compliance, legal, and technology which will help move the organization forward. Each of these individuals has a reputation for collaborative leadership – a Peconic Landing value at its core. I look forward to their guidance and insight, and welcome them to the Peconic Landing family."

**Claudia D. Ward** enjoyed an established career in banking and relationship management offering expertise in client management related to credit, cash, and trust services.

In addition, as former Manager of Compliance and Risk Control Services for a client services group of The Bank of New York Mellon, Ms. Ward ensured compliance with bank regulations, policies, and internal audits while also overseeing client services training and education.

Ms. Ward founded and currently operates an independent photography business creating images showcasing the beauty of the water that surrounds us. Her work has been used in interior design projects and exhibited at Ashawagh and Guild Halls in East Hampton, the Water Mill Museum, the Hutchins Gallery, and in The White Room Gallery in Bridgehampton.

"Peconic Landing is a unique organization. In my 30 years in business, I have never come across an organization so completely focused on its mission, core values, and serving and protecting its members and staff," Ms. Ward said. "There's respect, affection, and a harmony between members, staff, and management that I wanted to be a part of. I am proud to be able to serve on the Board."

**Eileen T. McGuire** offers expertise in project and change management in the insurance and technology sectors. Eileen is a former Director of AIG working with the Program Management Office, Federal Reserve Supervision Compliance and Customer Experience. She has served as a consultant for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and is a former Senior Vice President of Marsh, working within Global Technology in the New York corporate headquarters.

Ms. McGuire holds certifications from the Wine & Spirit Education Trust and currently serves part-time with Castello di Borghese Vineyard and Winery in Cutchogue. Ms. McGuire has volunteered for numerous not-for-profit organizations including the Southold Historical Society, Eastern Long Island Hospital, East End Arts Council and the Wounded Warrior Project.

"I was interested in joining the Peconic Landing Board of Trustees because I see Peconic Landing as a vital part of the North Fork. I am honored to be part of this impressive board and am looking forward to getting to know the Peconic Landing members," Ms. McGuire said. "Peconic Landing is a beautiful place, and I am pleased that it is part of my community."

**Paul V. May** is an accomplished financial services attorney with national and international expertise in compliance risk assessment, fraud detection and prevention, and regulatory compliance, among other specialties. He currently serves as Securities and Business Advisory Counsel for the financial services law firm Pastore & Dailey, LLC.

He is a regular speaker at securities industry events and a contributor to associated trade publications. Mr. May is also a founding trustee of the Holy Cross Lawyers Association and President of the Board of New Yorkers Against Gun Violence.

Paul has a lasting history with Peconic Landing, helping to incorporate Peconic Landing at Southold Inc. more than 20-years ago. Paul May's father, John M. May served as Chair of the Peconic Landing Board for 12 years, until his passing two years ago.

"It is truly an honor to be invited to serve on the Peconic Landing Board," Mr. May said. "I am proud to be part of the past and excited about the present and future of this great organization and this wonderful place."

Peconic Landing would also like to recognize and express its thanks to its longtime Board members: Rosamond Phelps Baiz, Rebecca Corning Chapman, Paul J. Connor III (Vice Chair), Thomas Doolan, Gregory Ferraris (Treasurer), Robert T. Goldman, Carol W. Hance, Sandra K. Novick (Chair), Thomas J. McCarthy, Donald T. Russo, and Edward Wellington Webb II (Secretary).

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**Peconic Landing** is a nationally recognized, not-for-profit Lifecare retirement community overlooking the breathtaking Long Island Sound. Located on the North Fork of Long Island, our 144-acre campus is bordered by grapevines and golfing greens, situated on a half-mile of private Sound beach. The community is home to the North Fork's only Sculpture Garden, and serves as a cultural arts hub for the East End Community presenting ample opportunity for individuals to pursue their interests and passions to the fullest. For information about Peconic Landing visit [www.PeconicLanding.org](http://www.PeconicLanding.org).