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### **Rivier expands Board of Trustees with additional expertise in law and communications**

Rivier University has appointed two new members to its Board of Trustees: William H. Barry, III and Shelley Walcott.

“Rivier University is fortunate to have Bill Barry and Shelley Walcott join its Board of Trustees,” says Sister Paula Marie Buley, IHM, Rivier’s president. “Both bring exceptional talents and insights. Their leadership will be an added source of strength as we continue to advance the University mission.”



Licensed to practice law in New Hampshire and Massachusetts, William H. Barry, III is partner at Barry & Honorow, Attorneys at Law, in Nashua. He is a third generation Nashua native whose grandfather, William H. Barry, was mayor of Nashua from 1911-1914. Barry graduated from the College of the Holy Cross with an A.B. in Economics and received his Juris Doctor degree from St. Louis University Law School. He has served as Nashua Rotary Club President, Nashua Soup Kitchen and Shelter President, Trustee of Southern New Hampshire Medical Center, and Commissioner of the Nashua Police Department. He has also served as a state representative in the New Hampshire House of Representatives. Currently, Barry is a member of the Board of Directors of the Village Network and a President’s Circle Leadership Committee member for Rivier University.



Shelley Walcott is an award-winning journalist and co-anchor of News 9 Tonight at 11 p.m. on WMUR and News 9 at 10 p.m. on MeTV New Hampshire. Prior to joining WMUR, she worked for CNN, the Sinclair Broadcast Group, and Journal Broadcast Group. A native of Montreal, Quebec, Walcott holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Journalism and Political Science from Concordia University. She also earned a Diplôme Études Collégial in Social Sciences from Montreal's Vanier College. Walcott has received a Gracie Award for a CNN TV series she produced on “The Teenage Brain,” a “Best Live Reporting” award from the Milwaukee Press Club, and a Merit Award for “Best Feature Story” from the Wisconsin Broadcasters Association. She is a member of the National Association for Black Journalists.

With 2,600 students at the baccalaureate, master’s, and doctoral levels and academic programs serving both the on-campus and online populations, Rivier’s Board provides strategic direction in fostering the core mission of transforming hearts and minds to serve the world.

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**Notes to editors:**

*About Rivier University*

Founded in 1933 by the Sisters of the Presentation of Mary, Rivier University is a Catholic institution recognized for distinctive academic programs, offering many of the region's leading programs at the undergraduate, graduate, postgraduate, and doctoral levels. With Nashua as our home and the world as our classroom, the Rivier experience ensures that students develop leadership skills as well as an awareness and appreciation of diverse cultures in New England and around the world.