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THE DENVER FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES NEW TRUSTEES
Moiwa Haile, Afsoon Kelly, John Loewy, Erika R. Martinez, and Randy Roberts
began board terms in January 2018

Denver, CO – The Denver Foundation is honored to announce five new members of its Board of Trustees. These exemplary local leaders bring a broad range of skills and accomplishments in business, government, finance, law, and the nonprofit sector to the Foundation’s governing body. All are deeply engaged in community work across the Metro Denver area. The new Trustees began new terms on January 1, 2018.

Mowa Haile
Founder and President, Blue Sky Companies
Afsoon Kelly
Director of Operations, Anschutz Investment Company
John Loewy
Retired attorney, public policy expert, entrepreneur
Erika R. Martinez
Director of Communications for the Mayor’s Office of the National Western Center at the City and County of Denver
Randy Roberts
Principal, Craft Companies

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Mowa Haile is Founder and President of Sky Blue Companies. Under his leadership, Sky Blue Builders, a general contractor established in 2007, has grown from a two-person team generating $80K in annual revenue to a major firm that leads large projects for Fortune 500 companies and government agencies. Sky Blue Builders’ main office is in Centennial with an office in Albuquerque. Sky Blue Airport Enterprises, started in 2014, is a concessionaire at Denver International Airport and has ownership in two food and beverage restaurants and one convenience store. Sky Blue Real Estate is a development arm with an apartment building under construction in Denver’s City Park neighborhood. Mr. Haile has 20 years of corporate development, operations, and management experience. Before Sky Blue, he worked in various management roles with Level 3 Communications and Inflow, now SunGard, for many years. He was selected as the Minority Business Person of the Year in 2012 and as a CEO of the Year finalist in 2015 by Colorado Biz Magazine. Mr. Haile holds a Bachelor’s of Science in Political Science from Colorado State University and an MBA from the University of Phoenix. Mr. Haile has lived in Colorado for over 30 years. He and his wife have two sons.

Afsoon Kelly is Director of Operations at Anschutz Investment Company. For the last eight years she has overseen the company’s reporting, cash, clearing, settlement, and technology, and also participates in manager selections for The Anschutz Foundation. Prior to Anschutz, Ms. Kelly was a Currency Trader at Fidelity in Boston. She also held various management positions...
at Fidelity during her tenure including Director of Operations on the trading floor. Ms. Kelly started her career at Accenture, a consulting company in New York City, implementing trading systems. She graduated magna cum laude from the University of Colorado at Boulder with degrees in Economics and International Affairs. Later she earned a Finance Certificate from The University of Denver. She has proudly served on The Denver Foundation’s Investment Committee since 2016.

**John Loewy** is a retired attorney, public policy expert, and entrepreneur who lives in Denver. Admitted to the Washington, D.C. and Wisconsin Bar associations, he is a graduate of Miami University and of the University of Wisconsin Madison School of Law. Mr. Loewy has served in a number of government positions including as a special assistant in the White House Office of Energy Policy and Planning, as counsel to the U.S. House Committee on Science and Technology, as counsel to the U.S. Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works, and as Assistant to the Director of the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality. He also served as Chief of Staff for the Oregon State Senate President, and as a government affairs advisor in private practice in Portland. He was a founding investor and consultant to Digimarc Corporation, a successful high-tech startup. Since relocating to Colorado 19 years ago, Mr. Loewy has taught public policy at the University of Denver and served on the boards of several nonprofit organizations. He chaired the board of Colorado Conservation Voters which is now Conservation Colorado and on whose board he continues to serve. He has also served as Chair of the Colorado Air Quality Control Commission. Mr. Loewy is a donor-advised fundholder at The Denver Foundation, a founder of the Environmental Affinity Group, and a member of the Education Committee. Mr. Loewy and his wife, Polly, have two grown children and live in the Washington Park neighborhood.

**Erika R. Martinez** currently serves as the Director of Communications and Community Engagement for the Denver Public Library. Previously, she served as Director of Communications for the Mayor’s Office of the National Western Center at the City and County of Denver. In this role, Ms. Martinez was responsible for all strategic communication efforts including media, branding, website, crisis communications, social media, and outreach for one of the largest redevelopment projects in the nation. She also previously served as Director of Communications for the North Denver Cornerstone Collaborative, an initiative created by Mayor Michael B. Hancock to strategically align six redevelopment projects in the Globeville, Elyria, and Swansea neighborhoods. Ms. Martinez also served as the Marketing and Public Relations Manager for the City and County of Denver Human Services. For the past 15 years, she has created and implemented strategic marketing/communication plans to reach the general market and other diverse populations such as the Latino market. Prior employers include Webb Strategic Communications and the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of Metro Denver. First in her family to graduate from high school, Ms. Martinez received a Bachelor’s of Science in Communications from the University of Colorado Denver and later earned her MBA with an emphasis in Marketing from Regis University. She has served on boards and committees for a variety of causes such as youth, education, and women’s development since she was a young adult. She is a graduate of the Leadership Denver Class of 2009 and the Circle of Latina Leadership, 2005. Ms. Martinez was named one of the *Denver Business Journal*’s 40 Under 40, received the Juana Bordas Leadership Award by the Circle of Latina Leadership, and has been recognized by the Colorado Rockies and the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of Metro Denver for her career and
community accomplishments. Ms. Martinez is a founding member of LatinasGive!, a giving circle at The Denver Foundation.

**Randy Roberts** is Principal at Craft Companies, a real estate development firm. Throughout his career as a business attorney, Mr. Roberts served as a trusted advisor to entrepreneurs and private equity professionals, assessing value and risk and identifying value-creating opportunities. Currently, Mr. Roberts and his team at Craft Companies are developing thousands of acres of master planned communities throughout Metro Denver. Additionally, Mr. Roberts serves as Managing Director of Explorer Capital, a private equity firm specializing in the acquisition and operation of micro-market manufacturing, distribution, and business service firms located in the Rocky Mountain region. Randy recently concluded his term as President of the Denver Active 20-30 Children’s Foundation, a 100-member, all-volunteer organization that raises and invests over $1M each year for more than 50 Colorado nonprofits serving at-risk and underprivileged children. He also serves as Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Youth Initiative of Adams County. Mr. Roberts graduated summa cum laude with degrees in Political Science, History, and Philosophy from Regis University and later with a Juris Doctorate from Harvard Law School. Mr. Roberts was named a Rising Star by *Super Lawyer’s Magazine*, was nominated to participate in the ACG Leadership 20 Program in 2012, and was chosen as one of Denver’s 40 Under 40 by the *Denver Business Journal* in 2015. He is a graduate of the Leadership Denver Class of 2016. Born and raised in Broomfield, Mr. Roberts currently lives in Westminster with his wife, Mauri, and their three children.

**About The Denver Foundation**

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