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Beth Dwyer was appointed Superintendent of Insurance on Jan. 11, 2016, and named Director of Business Regulation in May 2023. Prior to this appointment, she had been employed by the Rhode Island Department of Business Regulation for 15 years, first as general counsel to the Insurance Division and later as associate director. Prior to government service, Director Dwyer was engaged in private law practice in California and Rhode Island, specializing in litigation and insurance regulation.

Director Dwyer is a member of the NAIC and is the current Secretary/Treasurer. She has served as chair and vice chair of various committees, task forces, and working groups and has served on the Board of Directors of the National Insurance Producer Registry (NIPR) and as an Officer of the Interstate Insurance Product Regulation Commissioner (Compact). She is the NAIC representative to the Financial Stability Oversight Counsel (FSOC). She is also a member of the Executive Committee, the ICS and Comparability Task Force (ICSTF), and the Strategic Plan and Financial Outlook Task Force (SPFOTF) of the International Association of Insurance Supervisors (IAIS).

Director Dwyer is a past president of the Rhode Island Women's Bar Association. She was awarded the 2010 Rhode Island Attorney General's Justice Award for Consumer Protection. She completed an Executive Education Program at Harvard University, John F. Kennedy School of Government Executive Education. She was the recipient of the 2023 Raymond G. Farmer Award for Exceptional Leadership from the NAIC.

Director Dwyer holds the designations of Chartered Property Casualty Underwriter (CPCU) from The Institutes, Chartered Life Underwriter (CLU) from The American College, and Senior Professional in Insurance Regulation (SPIR) from the NAIC. She was admitted to practice law in California, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, the Federal District Courts of California, and Rhode Island and the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. She earned a JD from Pepperdine University and a BA in Political Science and Public Administration from Providence College.

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