

## **Board Class 2026(c)**

### **Shirley Allen**

#### **Province VII – Diocese of Houston**

Shirley Stover Allen is a former commercial real estate attorney and active in numerous charitable organizations. She serves on the advisory board of SEARCH Homeless Services, the steering committee for Greater Houston Community Foundation's (GHCF) Youth Homelessness Fund and GHCF's Anti-Human Trafficking Donor Working Group. Ms. Allen is also a long-time member of the Compass Rose Society and the Alexis de Tocqueville Society of the United Way of Greater Houston. A member of St. Martin's Episcopal Church in Houston, she has served on the Wedding Guild, as a Bible study leader, an Altar Guild group co-leader as well as a Sunday school teacher and greeter.

Ms. Allen received both her JD and BA with honors from the University of Texas at Austin.

She and her husband, Skip, have one daughter.

### **Rob McCouch**

#### **Province II – Diocese of New York**

Robert McCouch took up his position as the UNICEF Director of Evaluation in August 2021.

Mr. McCouch has served in a variety of evaluation roles in the UN system, including UNICEF, over the past 17 years. He was recently the Chief Evaluation Officer at the World Health Organization, prior to which he was the Chief of Section in the evaluation division of the United Nations Office of Internal Oversight Services (OIOS). From 2009-2013, as Senior Evaluation Specialist in the UNICEF Evaluation Office, he was responsible for the Organization's large portfolio of evaluations focused on humanitarian action.

His career prior to joining the UN system was in the field of data analytics and policy and opinion research in the private sector. He was the Director of Research and Evaluation at the Harvard Medical School, covering a range of innovative programs aimed at improving psychosocial, academic and health outcomes in highly vulnerable children.

Mr. McCouch received a PhD in social policy from Brandeis University, with a specialization in child, youth and family policy, and a post-doctorate in child-centered evaluation methods from Harvard Medical School and the Harvard University Graduate School of Education. He holds a Cand. scient. pol. degree in political science and political psychology from the University of Copenhagen, an M.A. in foreign languages from Middlebury College in Vermont, and a B.A. in international affairs from the George Washington University in Washington, DC.

He is a US national and speaks English, Danish, German, French and Italian.

He is married to Jeffrey Shumaker.

**The Rev. Steven Paulikas**

**Province II – Diocese of Long Island**

The Rev. Steven Paulikas is rector of All Saints' Church, a growing and diverse Episcopal parish in the Park Slope neighborhood of Brooklyn. He currently serves on the Pastoral Care Advisory Committee at New York Presbyterian-Brooklyn Methodist Hospital and previously served on the Board of Governors of the Episcopal Church at Yale and facilitated the process of discernment for holy orders through the Commission on Ministry of the Diocese of Long Island.

His opinion writing has recently appeared in the *Financial Times*, *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *The Nation*, and others, and his essay on the political response to evil is featured in *Modern Ethics in 77 Arguments: A Stone Reader*.

He is a graduate of the General Theological Seminary, the University of Cambridge, and Yale University. Prior to attending seminary, Steven was a journalist based in Vilnius, Lithuania. He is married to Jesse Lazar.