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# Recognizing Outstanding Commitments to Pro Bono Law



Legal Aid Society, 1919

## ABOUT LEGAL AID SOCIETY

Founded in 1886, The Legal Aid Society (LAS) of Metropolitan Family Services is the oldest provider of legal aid in Illinois and the second oldest in the nation. As the legal aid arm of Metropolitan Family Services, we provide legal services combined with wraparound social services in order to fight poverty and strengthen our communities.

LAS serves clients who are facing the issues of domestic violence, elder abuse, human trafficking, housing, immigration, and gun violence, among other issues. Through our four practice groups, LAS serves more than 15,000 clients each year in a way that truly changes lives.

With your support, we are helping our clients gain stability, financial security, enabling healthier families and communities, and most importantly, providing a sense of hope.

## ABOUT THE AVERY AWARD

The William H. Avery Award was established by the Legal Aid Society (LAS) of Metropolitan Family Services in 1985 in memory of William H. Avery, former partner of Sidley Austin LLP, to recognize and encourage outstanding leadership in the provision of legal aid to those persons unable to afford or retain an attorney.

Originally given only to Legal Aid Society volunteers, donors, and staff, recognition through the award has since expanded outside the LAS community to honor those who have made an outstanding contribution to the legal community and to equal justice.



Legal Aid Associate Board, 1960's

# 2026 William H. Avery Honoree



## INGREDION INCORPORATED AND TANYA JAEGER DE FORAS

**Senior Vice President, Chief Legal Officer,  
Corporate Secretary & Chief Compliance Officer**

Tanya Jaeger de Foras is a forward-thinking global legal executive with over 20 years of leadership experience across complex, highly regulated industries including pharmaceuticals, healthcare, consumer durables, food and beverage, and luxury retail. A proven enterprise leader and trusted boardroom advisor, she has served on public and private company boards and driven high-impact strategies across corporate transformation, M&A, ESG, and crisis management. Tanya is also deeply committed to civic and professional engagement, serving on several not-for-profit boards and is a frequent speaker and mentor in the legal field.

Tanya Jaeger de Foras is Chief Legal Officer, Corporate Secretary and Chief Compliance Officer, and a member of the executive leadership team at Ingredion Incorporated, a Fortune 500 global leader in nature-based ingredient

solutions. She has direct responsibility for global strategy in legal, regulatory affairs, government relations, and ESG, and plays a leading role in corporate governance, risk oversight, and enterprise-wide compliance and transformation.

Prior to joining Ingredion, Tanya served as Deputy General Counsel and Chief Compliance Officer at Whirlpool Corporation, based in Benton Harbor, Michigan, from mid-2020, and previously served as General Counsel Whirlpool EMEA, based in Italy from 2015. Before that, she was Deputy General Counsel Luxottica SpA from 2012 to 2015, also based in Italy. She began her in-house legal career with Pfizer, Inc. in New York, serving in roles of increasing responsibility over eleven years and eventually taking the role of General Counsel Specialties Business Unit Europe, based in Rome, Italy, from 2009 to 2012. Tanya began her legal career in 1998 as a securities, corporate and project finance associate at the global law firm of Sullivan & Cromwell LLP, working in their New York and Paris, France offices. Tanya is admitted to practice law in New York and Illinois.

A purpose-driven leader, since arriving in Chicagoland in 2021 Tanya has joined the boards of the Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum & Chicago Academy of Science and Girls Inc. of Chicago, and the advisory board of the Chicago High School for Agricultural Sciences. She is an active member of the Economic Club of Chicago and The Chicago Network, and a frequent speaker on career development, leadership, integrity, and sustainability. Tanya also serves on Ingredion's Inclusion & Belonging executive committee, as executive sponsor of the company's business resource groups for LATINX and disabled employees, and as a trustee of the Ingredion Foundation.

Tanya holds a Bachelor of Science in Foreign Service, summa cum laude, from Georgetown University, and a J.D., cum laude, from Harvard Law School. She rowed varsity crew at Georgetown and served as research assistant to Professor Robert A. Mnookin at the Harvard Program on Negotiations. She grew up in the Toronto, Canada, area. She is a global citizen, conversational in four foreign languages and has lived and worked in Canada, the U.S., and Europe. She is married and has two teenagers and a dog. Tanya likes to spend her spare time in nature and with friends and family.

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**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2026**

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