

SECRETARY

CATHERINE (CATE) WILLIAMS, LWV of MCHENRY

Catherine (Cate) Williams spent her career in the nonprofit credit counseling field, teaching consumers to manage and budget their money. With this as a career focus, Cate was innovative in delivering credit education programs directly to consumers in their workplace. She was President of Consumer Credit Counseling of Greater Chicago for six years, after having been a counselor and then Vice President of Community Education. As president, Cate developed a strong, well run, and innovative Board of Directors. In 2001 the industry was rapidly changing and Cate chose to merge with Money Management International. This move gave Cate the opportunity to be Corporate spokesperson for MMI; in the following decade she was interviewed by over 10,000 by major media outlets in the US. This career path gave Cate the opportunity to learn and apply better board management and governance, skills she has applied to her work with LWWIL, serving as board secretary. She has served on the Governance Committee and was selected to be the chair of the newly created Human Resources Committee.