

News Release

Comptroller Brooke E. Lierman Names New Board of Public Works Director and New Board Liaison

ANNAPOLIS, Md. (January 7, 2026) — Comptroller Brooke E. Lierman today announced the appointment of **Michele K. Lambert** as the Board of Public Works Director and **Thomas Brennan III** as the Board of Public Works Liaison. Lambert is new to the agency and brings a wealth of experience, including the skills and knowledge she gained in her most recent role as Director of Legislative Affairs for Speaker Emerita Adrienne A. Jones. Brennan has worked at the agency for 5 years, and his depth of understanding of the procurement process will continue to advance the Comptroller's priorities.

"Michele Lambert is a proven leader whose deep understanding of Maryland's legislative and budgetary processes will be an invaluable asset to me and to my office," said Comptroller Lierman. "Her commitment to public service and her ability to navigate complex policy issues make her uniquely qualified to help navigate important decisions and support increased transparency and accountability for key public investment approved by the Board of Public Works. I am thrilled to welcome her to Team Comptroller."

"It is a pleasure to have Thomas Brennan as our Board of Public Works Liaison. He is an invaluable member of our team whose diligence, expertise, and commitment are

invaluable to our approach to board business,” Comptroller Lierman said of Brennan’s promotion. “I look forward to seeing Thomas grow into his new role and the strong partnership he and Director Lambert will form in the coming year.”

As the new Board of Public Works Director for the agency, Lambert will be the Comptroller’s lead and point of contact for all Board of Public Works matters. She will work closely with the Governor’s Office, State Treasurer’s Office, and the Board of Public Works staff executive secretary. Lambert will also lead the agency’s work on procurement reform initiatives in coordination with the Governor’s Office, State Treasurer’s Office, and Maryland General Assembly. As Board of Public Works Liaison, Brennan will serve as deputy and advisor to the BPW Director, tracking key items to go before the Board of Public Works and assisting with meeting preparations.

“I’m deeply grateful to Comptroller Lierman for the trust she has placed in me to serve in this role, and I am excited to join Team Comptroller. She brings clarity, integrity, and a strong focus on the public interest to her leadership. I look forward to supporting her work and the work of the Board of Public Works by helping ensure decisions are made carefully, transparently, and with Marylanders at the forefront,” Director Lambert shared.

“I’m excited for this opportunity to continue serving the people of Maryland in an expanded role, and I deeply appreciate the confidence and trust of Comptroller Lierman,” Brennan said. “I look forward to working closely with Director Lambert and our partners in government to advance our shared goals for the benefit of the state.”

Lambert earned her Juris Doctor from the University of Baltimore School of Law. She holds a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from the University of Delaware. Brennan is a native of Baltimore County and holds a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and Environmental Studies from Washington College in Chestertown.

Lambert and Brennan will begin their new roles today, January 7, 2026.

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