

**Location:** KCTR 124

**Date/Time:** March 22, 2019, 9:30 – 11:00 am

**Host:** Ethics and Teaching Committee

**Speaker:** Cynthia M. Fornelli, Executive Director, Center for Audit Quality (CAQ)

**Title:** Ethics: As Important as Ever for Auditors (and Everyone Else)

**Abstract:** Solid ethics are more important than ever for auditors and other important players across the US system of financial reporting. In this presentation, Cindy Fornelli, Executive Director of the Center for Audit Quality, will examine steps the US public company auditing profession is taking to reinforce its own core values, as well as its constructive engagement with other key stakeholders in the capital markets.

**Speaker Bio:** Cindy Fornelli is Executive Director of the Center for Audit Quality (CAQ), a position she has held since the CAQ was established in 2007. In 2018, Fornelli was honored for the 10th time by *Directorship* magazine as one of the 100 most influential people on corporate governance and in the boardroom. *Accounting Today* has named her one of the 100 most influential people in accounting for 12 consecutive years.



Fornelli serves on the Advisory Board of the Ira M. Millstein Center for Global Markets and Corporate Ownership, the Advisory Board of the John L. Weinberg Center for Corporate Governance at the University of Delaware, the Audit & Risk Oversight Committee Advisory Council of the National Association of Corporate Directors (NACD), the Disclosure and Transparency Committee of the International Corporate Governance Network, and the Markets Advisory Council of the Council of Institutional Investors. She previously served on the NACD's 2010 Blue Ribbon Commission on the Audit Committee and 2009 Blue Ribbon Commission on Risk Governance.

Prior to joining the CAQ, Fornelli was the Regulatory and Conflicts Management Executive at Bank of America and the Deputy Director of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission's Division of Investment Management. Fornelli is a graduate of Purdue University and received her JD at The George Washington University.