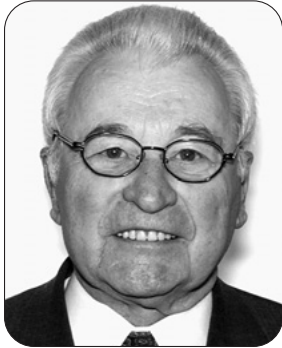


# Candidates Biographies\*



## EUGENE ARGASINSKI

**CURRENT EMPLOYMENT:** Recently retired. **PRIOR EMPLOYMENT:** He was employed at PSFCU for 12 years as a supervisor of the Archive Department. He has 15 years of experience in financial data processing at Merrill Lynch and at NYC Finance Dept. as Sr. Computer Systems Programmer/Analyst. He was a production/personnel supervisor for 4 years at ART FLAG Co. in NYC. **EDUCATION:** He received an Associate Degree in Computer Science from Albert Merrill Institute in NYC, an Associate Degree with a License of Electrical Technician from Technical Institute in Nysa. He studied for 2 years at Engineering School in Wroclaw. **RELEVANT BOARD EXPERIENCE:** E. Argasinski is a member of PSFCU since 1981 and for 30 years actively involved in Polonia's cultural affairs. He was elected many times to the BOD of the PSA of America (District Seven) and as President in other Polish American organizations. **PERSONAL STATEMENT:** If elected to the Credit Union's BOD, he will: ■ Regain millions of dollars from unwanted investments and outsourcings; ■ Raise the interest on deposits and decrease the cost and requirements on loans; ■ Set up an objectively effective program for providing a financial help for our schools/organizations; ■ Build the Polonia's Cultural Center in Greenpoint.



## FREDERICK A. CZULADA

**CURRENT EMPLOYMENT:** Self-employed as a Securities Trader, Arbitrager and Hedger for the past nine years. **PRIOR EMPLOYMENT:** Fred has an extensive financial background. He has 12 years experience as a Trader and Manager at Merrill Lynch, 8 years managing finances for condominium complexes at EHE Management, a firm he co-founded and 5 years doing statistical analysis for Bolt, Branek & Newman. **EDUCATION:** Fred obtained a B.S. in Chemistry with a Minor in Mathematics from Georgetown University, USA. **RELEVANT BOARD EXPERIENCE:** Currently a PSFCU director. Fred is a Chairman of the Board of the Pulaski Parade Committee, Vice President of Business Affairs of the Polish Cultural Foundation of N.J., Vice President of Polish Children's Heartline and a member of the Kosciuszko Foundation. **PERSONAL STATEMENT:** The Credit Union must do more for its members and the community! As a current director, I have supported all efforts to provide new products and investments to the membership. I also believe that the Credit Union is a 'community based' organization and must return as much as possible to Polonia and encourage sponsorship organizations and affiliates to provide as many services as they can to the community so that we will fulfill our mission to preserve and promote our heritage.



## JANUSZ JÓZWIAK

**EMPLOYMENT:** Manager of Polish TV Program – US Polsat (WNYE Channel 25) in New York. **EDUCATION:** Master of Physical Education – Academy of Physical Education in Warsaw. He has been a TV broadcaster for the past 23 years. **RELEVANT BOARD EXPERIENCE:** PSFCU Member for 15 years. PSC director for the past 8 years. PSC is the PSFCU's founder and its main sponsor. 1st Vice-President of PSC. National Director of Polish American Congress and member of the Children of Christian Holocaust Committee. **PERSONAL STATEMENT:** Janusz Józwiak will work on improving the PSFCU's financial status, its investments and thereby increase the net income of this billion dollar Credit Union. This will also allow expansion and an increase in percentage rates on accounts. He will vote to fulfill the expectations of members to finally get their dividends, endeavor to improve services and increase the number of loans. He intends to include scholarship help for all children of members who wish to pursue higher education, implement clear procedures to cooperate with Polish organizations in their financial sponsoring, and support cultural initiatives. He will insure a better financial status of all workers at the Credit Union by increasing pay and benefits, such as kindergarten care for mother-workers at our Credit Union.



## **ANDRZEJ KAMINSKI, ESQ.**

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**EMPLOYMENT:** Mr. Kaminski is an attorney-at-law admitted to practice law in NY and NJ and member of the American Trial and New York Lawyers Association. He holds professional licenses of Real Estate Broker, Independent Adjuster and Insurance Broker. His law office is located in Greenpoint. **EDUCATION:** Doctor of Law (Juris Doctor) – CUNY; BS degree – St. John's University; Insurance Law degree – Crawford School Atlanta, Georgia; St. John's Prep. High School; Our Lady of Czestochowa Elementary School, Brooklyn. **RELEVANT BOARD EXPERIENCE:** Director PSFCU as Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer; National Director, Vice-President of the Polish American Congress Downstate Division; Co-chair of the Children of Christian Holocaust Committee; Member Pulaski Businessmen, Sea League and Kosciuszko Foundation. **PERSONAL STATEMENT:** Honesty, hard work and experience on the Board allowed me to understand our members' needs. As director I negotiated the PSFCU's purchase of buildings on McGuinness and Copiague. I will work to open Maspeth. I intend to insist on regular meetings with members who must be informed about important decisions concerning PSFCU. I support higher interest rates, student and business loans and mutual funds. The key to our Credit Union's success has been honest work and savings of our members. It is these members that our Credit Union should help and serve.



## **KRZYSZTOF MATYSZCZUK**

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**CURRENT EMPLOYMENT:** Founder and President of Fidelity Tax & Insurance Brokerage Corp., located in Greenpoint, which provides tax and insurance services for Polonia since 1979. He is recognized as an expert in the areas of finance, tax, and insurance. **EDUCATION:** He received a Master Degree in History from Warsaw University. Continued his education at Columbia University School of International Affairs and Baruch College. He is a licensed insurance broker. In 1994 he became authorized to appear before the US Treasury Department. **RELEVANT BOARD EXPERIENCE:** Currently the Chairman of PSFCU. PSFCU member since 1980. Elected to the Board of Directors in 1997, served as a Chairman and a Treasurer. **PERSONAL STATEMENT:** Believes that members of the Board should be individuals who not only speak Polish and understand finances but also understand the needs of Polish people in US. Better conditions for purchase of real estate, higher interest rates on savings and assistance to the gifted and talented Polish youth are just few issues, which he wants to address. He believes that PSFCU members, majority of who like him are immigrants, have full rights to take advantages of all opportunities. Professional experience, experience gained at the Credit Union, knowledge of needs of Polonia and commitment to them qualify him to be a trustworthy candidate for the PSFCU Board of Directors.



## **LECH PORADOWSKI**

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**CURRENT EMPLOYMENT:** He has been employed for many years by Roanwell Corporation in New York, where he currently holds a position of Director of Engineering. **PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT:** Mr. Poradowski has an extensive professional experience in engineering. In his professional career, he has held several other managerial positions supervising and managing staff of few hundred employees. **EDUCATION:** Graduate of Warsaw University of Technology with MS degree in Electrical Engineering. **RELEVANT BOARD EXPERIENCE:** Mr. Poradowski has been actively involved in Polonia community in New York for many years. He is a PSFCU member for six years, and been actively involved in different organizations for 20 years. He is the Vice Commodore of Polish Yacht Club in New York and a member of Scheldrake Yacht Club in Westchester. He is also a member of The John Smolenski Memorial Democratic Club in Greenpoint and Westchester Pulaski Association. **PERSONAL STATEMENT:** As a PSFCU Director, he would like to pass to the Polonia Community his longtime experience in management, gained during his professional career. He will aim to streamline the operations for the benefit of our members, he will support the scholarships program, he will also support the activities of many organizations for benefit of our young members and hardworking Poles, members of PSFCU.



## **KAJA SAWCZUK**

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**CURRENT EMPLOYMENT:** For the past 10 years Kaja has worked as the Executive Director at PSC, Inc. a not for profit social and cultural community-based organization. She is responsible for program development and fiscal management and has extensive financial experience in developing and administrating \$2M+ annual budget. **EDUCATION:** In 1994 she received a BA degree from Columbia University. Certified Polish Court Interpreter. **RELEVANT BOARD EXPERIENCE:** PSFCU member since 1994. Currently a PSC director and past PSC Scholarship Fund Committee member. **PERSONAL STATEMENT:** Kaja would like to utilize her education, knowledge and over 14 years of executive and financial experience to serve in the best interest of the PSFCU members. She is confident that her background, as well as her commitment and dedication to Polish community would be an asset if elected to the Board. If elected, she will focus on the following: ■ Improve Credit Union investments and increase interest rates; ■ Offer additional financial products, investment portfolios, insurance and sound investment advice; ■ Improve and expedite the lending process; ■ Increase donations to support Polish organizations, schools and scholarships; ■ Establish free-of-charge legal services for our immigrant members; ■ Sponsor and assist in establishing senior housing and day care centers; ■ Invest in PSFCU staff through training and promotion to higher positions.



## **JOHN SZALYGA, MD**

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**CURRENT EMPLOYMENT:** Dr. Szalyga is an Assistant Professor of Medicine and Medical Director at the Brooklyn Hospital. **PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT:** He has worked in other hospitals as Medical Director of various services i.e. Long Island College Hospital, The Lutheran Medical Center. **EDUCATION:** Received BA in Biology (Brooklyn College); M.D. (Jagiellonian University, Faculty of Medicine); MBA (Fairleigh Dickinson University). **RELEVANT BOARD EXPERIENCE:** Past President of the Pulaski Association of Businessmen. He is a National Director of Polish American Congress. A member and former Vice President of the PSC. Treasurer of the PSC Community Services. **PERSONAL STATEMENT:** The PSFCU should offer all the services that banks offer, but these services should be specifically tailored to the needs of our people. ■ The most important factor is the financial health. We must provide the highest rate of return for our members' investments and reverse prior substandard returns. ■ PSFCU can have an impact on the physical health of our members. I will attempt to take advantage of free medical screenings and care for our uninsured members with the help of NYC Board of Health. ■ Advance members with training programs i.e. such as computer trainings to advance their careers. ■ At least quarterly meetings with Board to enhance a closer bond with the membership and the board.



## **MARZENA WIERZBOWSKA BUCCINO**

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**CURRENT EMPLOYMENT:** Marzena Wierzbowska Buccino works at Polish and Slavic Center (Community Action Program). **EDUCATION:** Political Science and Journalism at University of Warsaw, Bachelor Degree of Psychology at New York University (NYU) **PERSONAL STATEMENT:** Polonia is very important to Marzena Wierzbowska Buccino. She is a very active member full of traditional values: ■ Wishes to bring her educational skills and desire to unite the Polish People to bring about strong political and social economic change; ■ Wishes to support development of small businesses; ■ Wants competitive interest rates for deposits and loans; ■ Wants to bring more effective health care programs to elderly community as well as assist with social and cultural activities; ■ Wants to increase grants for needy Polish students.