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Life Insurance Council of New York CEO to Retire Early 2021

NEW YORK - The Life Insurance Council of New York has announced Mary A. Griffin, LICONY's president and chief executive officer, will be retiring in early 2021.



Griffin joined the association in 2016 after the retirement of former CEO Thomas Workman. Since the start of her tenure, she has overseen all operations, strategic initiatives, and government affairs for LICONY, according to a council statement.

LICONY will begin an executive search in the second quarter of 2020.

Griffin spearheaded the industry's first Women & Diversity Conference in the state, which attracted more than 300 participants. Griffin has also guided LICONY through several challenging regulatory initiatives during her tenure, including cyber security regulation, the "best interest" regulation and legislation authorizing principle-based reserving for life insurance companies. Most recently, she worked on legislation expanding paid family leave for COVID-19 victims.

Before joining LICONY as CEO, Griffin was a senior vice president in the state and local government affairs practice at Citigroup, and worked as the chief government affairs representative for New York State for the American Insurance Association. Prior to that, she served for 18 years in New York State government, including nine years at the Department of Insurance, the forerunner to the Department of Financial Services, the council said.

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