

**ACAMS 15TH ANNUAL AML & FINANCIAL CRIME CONFERENCE
TO ADDRESS CONQUERING COMPLIANCE'S NEW FRONTIERS**

Thomas J. Curry, Comptroller of the Currency, to Present as Keynote Speaker

MIAMI — September 16, 2016 — U.S. intelligence officials and security firms have determined one of cybercrime's next major fronts for 2016: data sabotage, the elusive modification of data within transactions to achieve criminal benefit. The chance of destructive cyberattacks from destructive nation-states, cyberterrorists and hacktivists is becoming much more of a reality. At the **ACAMS 15TH ANNUAL AML & FINANCIAL CRIME CONFERENCE**, this and many other issues relevant to "Conquering Compliance's New Frontiers" will be presented at the **ARIA Resort & Casino in Las Vegas, Sept. 26–28**.

ACAMS is proud to have Comptroller of the Currency Thomas J. Curry provide a keynote address. Comptroller Curry is the administrator of national banks and chief officer of the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC) and has led the agency in a number of tough challenges including de-risking and addressing the rise of financial technology firms or FinTech.

Special presentations will also be given by Joe Lombardo, sheriff, Office of the Sheriff, Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department; Sara Crowe, data manager, Polaris; and Ryan Chittum, reporter with the International Consortium of Investigative Journalists.

"Our attendees will greatly benefit from the participation of Mr. Curry, Mr. Lombardo, Ms. Crowe, Mr. Chittum and the many other exceptional speakers at this year's conference," said John Byrne, Esq., CAMS, executive vice president at ACAMS. "In support of the conference theme, 'Conquering Compliance's New Frontiers,' we are excited to present critical information about strengthening monitoring and investigations with rapidly advancing data analytics; defending against growing dangers or hacking and threat financing; stretching resources to bolster AML at smalls banks, gaming and MSBs; and managing the impacts of FinTech, blockchain and social media on compliance."

Other top-level presentations will include:

- “Casinos: Applying AML Best Practices to Secure and Maintain Banking Relationships”
- “Capturing a Kingpin: Lessons from El Chapo on Cartel Money Laundering”
- “Man vs. Machine: Balancing Automation and Manual Reviews to Strengthen Risk Monitoring”
- “Rearming Compliance Policies to Fight New Forms of Threat Finance”
- “Building a CTF SWAT Team”
- “Case Study: The \$100 Million Bangladesh Bank Cyberheist”
- “Life’s a Breach: Developing Rapid Response Plans to Mitigate Data Hack Damage”

Presenters from the public sector will include Peter Edge, executive associate director, Homeland Security Investigations, **Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**; Richard Weber, chief, Criminal Investigations, **Internal Revenue Service (IRS)**; Lt Col Josh Potter, J36, Transnational Threats Division, **United States Special Operations Command (SOCOM)**; and Andrea Sharrin, associate director, Policy Division, **Financial Crimes Enforcement Network (FinCEN)**.

Presenters from the private sector will include David Szuchman, vice president, Head of Global Financial Crime Compliance, **PayPal**; Sudan Sethuramalingam, global manager of AML Operations, **Google**; André Burrell, CAMS, senior director of Compliance, **Microsoft**; and Frank Lawrence, CAMS, global head of Payments Compliance, CCO, **Facebook** and a member of the ACAMS Advisory Board.

For a complete list of conference speakers, visit acamsconferences.org/vegas/speakers.

Day two of the conference will open with an Awards Ceremony honoring several AML professionals for their vigilance and commitment to the community. The 2016 ACAMS award recipients include:

- **AML Professional of the Year and ACAMS Today Article of the Year awards**
Lauren Kohr, CAMS-FCI, senior manager, governance, risk and quality control at the financial intelligence unit, PenFed Credit Union.
- **AI Gillum Volunteer of the Year award**
Jack Oskvarek, CAMS, senior vice president and BSA executive director, Wintrust Financial.
- **AML/CTF Career Recognition award**
James A. Cox, III, second lieutenant, organized crime and narcotics division, special investigations/narcotics, money laundering unit, Fairfax County Police Department.
- **Chapter of the Year award**
New York Chapter, founded in 2005.

For more information and to download a full conference schedule, visit acamsconferences.org/vegas. The conference will also offer a real-time broadcast option that provides Internet access to a video feed of the keynote addresses, general sessions and select concurrent sessions. More than 50 recorded sessions will be archived in an online library for post-conference referral.

The ACAMS 15th Annual AML & Financial Crime Conference will take place at ARIA Resort & Casino, 3730 Las Vegas Boulevard South, Las Vegas, NV 89158.

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