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## **Tracey Yurko of Darien Appointed Make-A-Wish CT Board of Directors Chair**

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Make-A-Wish Connecticut is proud and honored to announce the appointment of Tracey Yurko of Darien as chair of the Make-A-Wish Connecticut Board of Directors.

— *an announcement from* [Make-A-Wish Connecticut](#)

Yurko is the chief legal officer, corporate secretary and a partner of Westport-based Bridgewater Associates, global leader in institutional portfolio management and the world's largest hedge fund, with approximately \$1540 billion in assets under management. She is also a member of the firm's Executive and Operating Committees.

Yurko has served on the Make-A-Wish Connecticut board since 2017.

“She brings strong general business skills, governance discipline and an unparalleled passion for the mission that will lead us to the next level as we focus on expanding the wish journey for every eligible wish child and family in the state,” said Pam Keough, the CEO and president of Make-A-Wish Connecticut.

At Bridgewater, Yurko oversees the Legal and Regulatory Department and is credited with executing on a transformational redesign of the firm’s legal and regulatory team and for her conviction for championing diversity and inclusion, particularly among women.

Among her many accomplishments, Yurko is a recipient of Corporate Counsel’s “2020 Women, Influence & Power in Law General Counsel of the Year” award, which honors individuals who have made a remarkable difference in the legal profession.

Prior to joining Bridgewater in 2012, Yurko practiced with the international law firms, Milbank, Tweed, Hadley & McCloy LLP and Dewey & LeBoeuf LLP.

Yurko graduated from Johns Hopkins University with honors, received a Master of Sciences degree from the University of Pennsylvania, and graduated from University of Southern California Gould School of Law. She also serves on The Johns Hopkins Lacrosse Advisory Board.

“I am continually inspired by the lasting impact Make-A-Wish Connecticut has not only on wish children and their families, but also on those who experience the joy of giving and playing a role in the creation of hope for a child,” Yurko said.

“I am honored to have been asked to lead this dynamic board with directors possessing a diverse range of expertise and look forward to advancing the impact of the organization throughout the state,” she said. “I could not be more proud to work alongside the chapter’s dedicated staff and volunteers on a shared commitment to creating life-changing wishes for children with critical illnesses.”

### **About Make-A-Wish Connecticut**

Make-A-Wish Connecticut creates life-changing wishes for children with critical illnesses. We seek to bring every eligible child's wish to life because every child deserves a childhood.

Research shows children who have wishes granted can build the physical and emotional strength they need to fight their illnesses. Together, generous donors, supporters, staff and volunteers across the state unite to deliver hope to wish kids and their families when they need it most.

In total, Make-A-Wish Connecticut has granted more than 3,600 wishes to local children. For more information about Make-A-Wish Connecticut.