

Christine Garrity

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Christine Garrity serves as the Chief Administrative Officer & General Counsel for The PGA of America, where she leads the Association's legal, governance, government relations, special events, and diversity and inclusion operations. A member of the American, Florida and District of Columbia Bar Associations, Garrity is a practicing corporate attorney and business executive known for her extensive experience in not-for-profit association issues, intellectual property, labor law, sports and entertainment law, and business transactions.



A PGA of America staff member since 1990, Garrity is a pioneer for women sports administrators and legal experts in the field. She is renowned for her legal skills, as well as her management of the order, rules and decorum in conducting the business of The PGA's Annual Meeting. Garrity also represents The PGA of America at meetings of the Florida Sports Foundation's Executive Committee & Board of Directors. The Foundation is charged with assisting Florida's communities with securing, hosting and retaining major sporting events and business that generate significant impact and tourism for the state.

In 2013, Garrity was selected by *Sports Business Journal* as one of its "Game Changers: Women in Sports Business." This prestigious recognition highlights women in the industry who play key roles in their respective fields; bring new approaches and ideas to sports business; are out front on significant projects and programs; and are making critical decisions that help shape companies and organizations for the future.

Garrity is recognized as a resource in sports and entertainment legal areas and serves as a lecturer at Bar Association seminars in the intellectual property field. She also provides seminars to The PGA's leadership and PGA Sections on legal issues and government relations that have a significant impact on the game of golf.

Following three years of service as an Assistant to The PGA's General Counsel, Garrity was promoted to Legal Counsel in 1993, and General Counsel in 1998. She added the title of Managing Director in 2006, and ascended to her current position in 2013.

Garrity received her Juris Doctorate from the University of Bridgeport School of Law in Connecticut in 1988; and a Bachelor's Degree in History from Fairfield University in 1985.

Christine and her husband, Tony, live in Delray Beach, Fla.