City of San Jose Federated City Employees' Retirement System and the City of San Jose Police & Fire Department Plan

### Governance Consultant Presentation

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# Agenda

- **1.** Our Understanding of Your Needs
- 2. Segal's Team
- **3.** Segal's Services
- **4.** Questions
- **5.** Client Stories

### Our Understanding of Your Needs

- The Retirement Plans are administered by two separate Boards with distinctly different plan rules
- The Retirement Plans have existing governance policies and procedures
- The Boards are looking for a long-term partner to continue the good work that has already been done while also working with the Boards on suggestions for improvements and development of new and expanded governance projects



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*"We deliver* trusted advice that improves lives."



# The **Segal** Advantage

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Health and Welfare Benefits HR and Benefits Technology Insurance Organizational Effectiveness Retirement Benefits Benefits Communication Communication Strategy Personalized Benefit Statements Surveys and Focus Groups Website and Portal Design Advisory Investment Solutions Corporate Governance and Proxy Voting Defined Contribution Consulting Discretionary Consulting

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### History – 80 Years of Innovation

Martin E. Segal founded the firm in New York		Designed Relative Value Schedules Our study of surgical benefit claims in California		<ul> <li>Health and Financial Wellbeing Benefits</li> <li>HMO development</li> <li>Preferred Provider Organizations (PPOs)</li> <li>Creative use of pension surplus to finance business transactions</li> </ul>		Life Cycle Benefits Segal designed with various alternatives, to address a client's interest in providing "work-family" benefits to employees		<ul> <li>Segal Pulse: Web-based version of the forecast modeling tool</li> <li>SHAPE (Segal's Health Analysis of Plan Experience): Health cost data mining technology</li> <li>Ref360: Web-based tool allowing sports leagues to track, monitor and assess officials' performance</li> </ul>	
1930s	1940s	1950s	1960s	1970s	1980s	1990s	2000s	2010s	2020s
	The actual bidding of medical Segal was of insurance contracts was the first com		Sabbaticals Segal was one of the first companies a sabbatical progra		Actuarial Asset An actuarial valuat The Life Cycle P New type of final a DB plan Securing non-qu benefits: Risk ins method to securing benefits MediMACS: Phys reimbursement sy	tion method Pension Plan: average salary ualified surance g non-qualified sician	Work/Life Calcu Created Return of (ROI) Calculator t with reliable data the quantitative va traditional benefits	n Investment o provide clients demonstrating alue of non-	<ul> <li>Created Analytical Tools</li> <li>COVID-19 Medical Plan and STD Cost Impact models</li> <li>M&amp;A Readiness self-assessments</li> <li>Workforce Planning model</li> <li>Employee segmentation tools</li> <li>Automated vendor RFP tool</li> <li>Onboarding solution</li> <li>Employee Benefits DEI</li> </ul>

Segal's Innovation Lab enhances and supports our culture of innovation. Through in-depth expertise, research, collaboration, and the use of content curation and AI tools, the Lab develops client-centered solutions.



## Segal's Team



Scott A. Miller, JD, NAF Senior Consultant Administration and Technology Consulting - Lead consultant on this project - 27 years of public pension and benefits experience - Consultant, Executive Director, Attorney



## Segal's Team



Melanie Walker, JD Senior Vice President National Compliance Practice Leader - Subject matter expert on public plan compliance

- 26 years of compliance experience



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#### Jeff Mills

Vice President & Practice Leader - Administration and Technology Consulting

- 23 years of public pension and benefits experience

Prior experience with San Jose's Benefit
 Administration System implementation







### Broad Governance Services

- 1. Appropriate allocation of responsibilities
- 2. Policies, procedures, and charters that reflect that allocation/delegation
- 3. Prudent oversight and periodic reevaluation – specifically including vendors
- 4. Governance reporting



# Strategic Planning

- 1. Review current strategic plan and identify progress made
- 2. Interview individual Board members, Plan managers, and working groups within the Plans
  - a) SWOT Analysis
  - b) Environmental Scan

### 3. Aggregate information and present to Boards

4. Establish goals for the next five years and how progress is identified

# Board Policy Manual Support

- 1. A Board's policy manual is the written statement of how the Board intends to fulfill its fiduciary duties.
- 2. Regular review of those policies is important to keep up with updated fiduciary best practices.
- 3. Your Segal team has decades of experience reviewing and drafting policies, procedures, and charters.



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### **Board Education**

- 1. "A good heart but an empty head" is not a defense to a fiduciary duty violation. The Duty of Prudence demands that you be educated.
- 2. Your Segal team has been to nearly every trustee educational conference offered in the United States.
- 3. Further, your Segal team members are experts in fiduciary responsibility and would be happy to provide whatever educational presentations you would request.
- 4. Importantly, Board orientation programs help new members start off on the right foot

### Board Self-Assessments

- 1. Send all Board members a survey.
- 2. Document those responses for presentation to the Boards.
- 3. Board discussion on things that are going well and things that could use some work.











# City of Warwick Retirement Plans

- 2024 Pension Administration Study included a review of Warwick's governance framework, organizational structure, operations, governance documents and use of technology
- Key Findings:

Additional Roles/Positions Warranted

Consider Transitioning Sole Trustees to a Board Structure

Establish a Pension Unit Within the Personnel Department

Modify Police and Fire Investment Responsibility

Implement Annual Fiduciary Training

Leverage Munis Pension Administration Module



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### Teachers' Retirement System of Illinois

- Demonstrates the "Segal Advantage" you see on slide 6
  - Segal's Retirement Practice provides actuarial consulting services
  - Segal's Compliance Practice is TRS' compliance and governance consultant
    - Periodic fiduciary training
    - Regular legislative, regulatory and litigation updates
  - Segal's Administration and Technology Consulting Practice is engaged with TRS for a major technology initiative

