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Tennessee Justice Center Welcomes New Board Members

Nashville, TN. – Michele Johnson, Executive Director at the Tennessee Justice Center, announced that the organization has appointed eight new board members: **Kay Caudle**, General Counsel for CarSaver Management, LLC; **Dr. Zudi Takizala**, Clinical Research Coordinator at Meharry Medical College; and **C. Joseph Hubbard**, Shareholder at Polsinelli Law Firm.

“We are excited to welcome our new members and look forward to collaborating with them. Their leadership is invaluable, and we are grateful for their dedication and the contributions,” said Johnson.

Kay Caudle has been practicing law in Nashville for more than 20 years and is currently General Counsel for tech company CarSaver Management, LLC, where she is responsible for all the company’s legal matters. Prior to joining CarSaver, Kay was General Counsel for STR, LLC for 14 years and served as Counsel for virtual firm Scale, LLP.

Born and raised In Atlanta, Kay received her undergraduate degree from Vanderbilt University and her law degree from the University of Tennessee at Knoxville. She has been named a Fellow of both the Nashville and Tennessee Bar Foundations and has held several leadership positions with the Nashville Bar Association. She currently serves as an Advisor for the Nashville Entrepreneur Center.

Zudi Takizala, MBA, MD, MPH is a clinical research coordinator at Meharry Medical College. She currently oversees the operational, administrative and financial management of the Clinical and Translational Research Center.

One of her proudest accomplishments in her current role is her team's contribution to the success of one of the largest pediatric mRNA COVID vaccine trials conducted. In addition, her team made significant contributions to the emergency use authorization by

the FDA of a COVID-19 vaccine for children and one for adults during the COVID pandemic.

At the beginning of her career, she worked as a geriatric physician in Belgium. After moving to the US, she worked in the Prevention Research Center at the Meharry Medical College, exposing her to the pervasive health disparities plaguing the American healthcare system.

As an immigrant, Dr. Takizala had to learn to navigate an unfamiliar healthcare system. Using these experiences, she became an advocate for various family members, refugees, and immigrants in healthcare settings. She created a resource list to facilitate new immigrants' transition to life in America.

She is married and a mother of three children, Wabi (29), Kahwit (25), and Kemi (19). In her free time, she loves listening to world music and enjoys experiencing new cultures through travel.

Joseph Hubbard is a seasoned litigation attorney and appellate advocate who has won trials in front of judges and juries alike. Known as a skilled and adept trial attorney, clients seek out Joseph's assistance for complex commercial litigation involving millions of dollars at issue.

Joseph earned his J.D., cum laude, from the University of Tennessee College of Law in 2010. He also holds a B.A., magna cum laude, in Political Science and History from the University of Tennessee.

Joseph's practice focuses on advising individuals and corporate clients in state and federal courts as well as in arbitration and before administrative agencies. He often acts as outside counsel to corporations and organizations who seek comprehensive legal counsel to marry their day-to-day business operations with long-term strategic plans.

Joseph is the current President-Elect of the Nashville Bar Association, and he will serve as President in 2025.

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