



Welcome to the Greater Atlanta ACAMS Chapter newsletter. The Atlanta Chapter of ACAMS launched in June 2011 and was formed to advance the professional knowledge, skills, and experience of anti-money laundering professionals in the region. If you are interested in joining the chapter, please [click here](#).

Upcoming Training:

Various ACAMS Webinars: Check upcoming webinars at [ACAMS.org](https://www.acams.org)

ACAMS Webinar: July 20, 2022, 12p – 1pm (1 ACAMS Credit), Women in AFC: Building Your Brand from College to the Corner Office at [ACAMS.org](https://www.acams.org)

Next ACAMS Atlanta Chapter Lunch & Learn: Tentative In-person Meeting – Date: August 25th, 2022

Did You See This?

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Belgium Becomes Global Money Laundering Hotspot* – By Gabriel Vedrenne

European law enforcement's recent infiltration of encrypted communications networks used by criminals revealed the extent of drug trafficking in Belgium. New statistics from the nation's financial intelligence unit, CTIF, suggest that illicit finance has metastasized as well..... Visit [ACAMS Moneylaundering.com](https://www.acams.moneylaundering.com)

Financial Crimes Matters: FAST Project Director Discusses Human Trafficking in Ukraine* – By Kieran Beer

In the latest episode of Financial Crime Matters, Kieran Beer, editor in chief of ACAMS moneylaundering.com, and Daniel Thelesklaf, project director for Finance Against Slavery and Trafficking (FAST) at the U.N. University Center for Policy Research, cover how Russia's invasion has further exposed Ukraine to human trafficking and how financial services shield displaced and marginalized populations from the crime..... Visit [ACAMS Moneylaundering.com](https://www.acams.moneylaundering.com)



ACAMS Las Vegas Conference

This year's ACAMS Las Vegas Conference will be held on October 11-13, 2022 at the ARIA Resort & Casino. This conference will give you 15+ credits toward your recertification. This is a great event to learn and network with other Anti-Financial Crime professionals. Topics that will be covered include crypto, using AI as an AML tool, and law enforcement case studies. For pricing and more information please visit [ACAMS.org](https://www.acams.org)

On-Site Experience

- Experience the buzz of Vegas
- Real time networking with industry thought leaders and peers
- A front row seat to all of the action
- Option to add on the pre-conference training day
- Watch any missed sessions on-demand online for up to 90 days after completion of the live event

Virtual Experience

- The Vegas experience comes to you – an interactive online conference
- Remote networking with industry thought leaders and peers
- Travel-free
- Attend from anywhere in the world
- Watch at your own pace – live or on-demand
- Sessions available on-demand for 90 days

Top Sessions

- What We Do and Don't Know About Regulating Crypto
- Ukraine and You: Strategies to Comply With Sanctions Against Russia
- Asked and Answered: A Guide to Inter-Institutional Information Sharing Using 314(b) Requests
- The Innovators' Dilemma: Creating AML Frameworks for FinTech's Unique Risks
- Rock SARs: Law Enforcement SAR Review Teams, Harmonious Public/Private Partnering
- Conduct Unbecoming: Can Behavioral Analytics Help Fight Financial Crime?



Are You Aware of the ACAMS Resource?

Featured Article:

Sustainability: Converging AML and ESG – As discussions on sustainability continue to push toward center stage in the corporate world, the time has come for anti-money laundering (AML) professionals to reassess their day-to-day responsibilities through the lens of environmental, social and governance (ESG) targets so that they can not only be included in the burgeoning movement but furthered because of it. This article will explain how and why AML professionals' contribution is much needed in the conversation around ESG.... For more details visit [ACAMSToday.org](https://www.acamstoday.org) to access the full article.

Featured Article:

The Evolution of Social Fraud – Fraud can be simply described as the act of deception for personal gain. Acts of deception usually involve victims, either individuals or businesses. In most fraud occurrences, the primary motive and gain is financial. However, data has also become the primary target of fraudulent acts. This article explores Fortunately, signs and ways to identify recent social fraud in order for anti-financial crime (AFC) professionals to remain constantly aware, as well as mitigate and report when necessary..... Visit the [ACAMSToday.org](https://www.acamstoday.org) page to access the full article.

Spotlight chapter member of the month

Future versions of the newsletter will feature a spotlight ACAMS Atlanta Chapter member of the month. This section of the newsletter will contain a picture and brief bio/submission for member of the month. Do you have a chapter member you would like to nominate? Send your votes to Chapters@acams.org (include Atlanta Chapter newsletter response in the subject line of your email)





ATLANTA ACAMS CHAPTER RECOGNITION

Beau Buckler, CAMS



Beau has spent the last seven years working for Aston Carter, a human capital and business consulting firm.

In his current role as GRC Solutions Executive, Beau partners heavily with banking and financial services clients to advance their financial crimes programs and goals.

Beau is passionate about the financial crimes industry and ACAMS' mission statement of providing world class professional education for all levels of Anti-Financial Crimes Professionals. Beau has also been appointed as a board member for the Atlanta ACAMS Chapter, in the position of Membership Director.

Beau earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in Communications from the University of Georgia and played on the Bulldog's baseball team. He resides in Atlanta with his wife Ashley and dog, Nala.



ACAMS Atlanta Chapter Members:

- Are you a member? Not yet? If you are interested in joining the chapter, please [click here](#).
 - Chapter membership offers an array of benefits for your professional career.
 - Chapter events provide networking opportunities within AML and other related industries.
 - Chapter membership is an excellent resource to stay up to date on current events in the industry.
 - CAMS credits can be earned at Atlanta Chapter events.
 - Chapter membership provides a discount at quarterly events.
 - Chapter membership and events provide access to and information about vendors within the industry.
- **Reminder:** Is your membership active? Log into your ACAMS account and click the join chapter link for renewal.
- Do you have any **suggestions**? Please contact us at Chapters@acams.org (include Atlanta Chapter newsletter response in the subject line of your email)
 - Topics and/or speakers for future events
 - Nominations for spotlight chapter member of the month (must include contact information for the individual you are submitting)
 - Newsletter content suggestions
 - Other suggestions

ACAMS Atlanta Chapter Board Members:

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