



Upcoming Training:

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

ACAMS Webinar: November 17, 2022, 12p – 2p (1 ACAMS Credit), Solving Crypto's Conundrums: Proactive AFC Risk Management; at [ACAMS.org](https://www.acams.org)

Next ACAMS Atlanta Chapter Lunch & Learn: 1st Quarter 2023 (Tentative)

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](#).

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OFAC Reframes Designation of Cryptocurrency Mixer as National Security Issue * - By Fred Williams

U.S. officials took the rare step of de-listing, then re-listing, a cryptocurrency “mixer” Tuesday to more narrowly target the service’s use by North Korea, potentially signaling their intent to take action against other anonymity-enhancing services that fail to prevent financial crime..... Visit [ACAMS Moneylaundering.com](https://www.acams.org/moneylaundering.com)

Banks, Cryptocurrency Companies Clash on Digital Asset Regulation * – By Benjamin Hardy

Cryptocurrency companies and mainstream financial institutions envision vastly different approaches for how U.S. officials should go about overhauling federal regulation of digital assets, responses to the Treasury Department’s request for feedback show..... Visit [ACAMS Moneylaundering.com](https://www.acams.org/moneylaundering.com)

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ATLANTA CHAPTER SPOTLIGHT MEMBER OF THE MONTH

Chris Lyon, CAMS

Chris Lyon joined the financial services industry after working eight years in the aviation industry. There she developed a passion for helping people, which she brings to her career in deterring and fighting financial crime.



Lyon began her financial services career as a Fraud Analyst for Global Payments, working with key stakeholders to reduce fraud loss on UBS Visa products.

Lyon is currently a Data Quality Assurance Representative for InComm Payments, helping to build InComm's first risk and compliance Quality Data Assurance Program (QDAP). Before her selection to QDAP, she held the title of Compliance Representative, conducting agent onboarding and oversight activities for various InComm product lines.

Active in her community, she serves on the board of her local chapter of American Heritage Girls, an organization designed to build women of integrity through service to family, community, and country. She also serves as Secretary of the Board, Lutheran Church of the Redeemer.

Lyon earned a Bachelor of Business Administration in Finance from Columbus State University and a Master of Business Administration in Public Relations from Liberty University. She is a Certified Anti-Money Laundering Specialist (CAMS).



We Want Your Feedback!

We want your feedback on topics and/or speakers for future lunch/learn events and networking events. We also want to know what type of content you like to see in the newsletters, ACAMS events, and on the ACAMS website. Please send your suggestions to chapters@acams.org.

Are You Aware of the ACAMS Resource?

Featured Article:

Hue Dang: Revamping ACAMS Risk Assessment – e Dang, CAMS-Audit, global head of New Ventures and the senior Asia Pacific (APAC) leader for ACAMS, took time to talk with ACAMS Today to discuss the association's latest efforts in risk assessments in anti-money laundering (AML)/sanctions/suspicious activities. With New Ventures, Dang is the association's lead for incubating new anti-financial crime (AFC) services by creating new, market distinctive offerings—leveraging off ACAMS's unique position as an industry-standing body—that add to the ACAMS ecosystem of AFC solutions..... For more details visit ACAMSToday.org to access the full article.

Featured Article:

Fighting the Trade-Based AML Epidemic with AI – Trade-based money laundering (TBML) is one of the biggest unknowns in the fight against financial crime. It is a big task to tackle, given the complexity and lack of real transparency in global trade financing.

Trade finance involves multiple banks in different territories, and most cross-border shipments involve some form of financing, making customer due diligence processes more difficult when multiple parties are involved. In cross-border trade, financial criminals exploit these vulnerabilities..... Visit the 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)





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

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