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In January, former President Obama appointed Karol Wight, president and executive director of the Corning Museum of Glass to the US Department of State Cultural Property Advisory Committee. Wight will serve a three-year term.

The committee advises the president and other government officials on memoranda of understanding designed to protect foreign countries’ cultural heritage. One goal of these measures is to ensure antiquities are not illegally excavated and illicity removed from their country of origin.

At the 2017 Sun Valley Film Festival, Idaho State Historical Society Executive Director Janet Gallimore received the Grande Dame Award in the category of “Cultural Leadership.” The award was presented by Academy Award winning actress, Geena Davis, during the Grande Dame Brunch and Women’s Leadership Celebration. The awards celebrate outstanding women for their contributions to business, public policy, education, and their communities.

The Center for Curatorial Leadership (CCL) has announced its ninth class of curatorial fellows, including four AAM members. These emerging art museum leaders have demonstrated curatorial excellence within their field, as well as a commitment to connecting with diverse audiences, fostering collaboration across departments, and addressing art museums’ challenges in innovative ways. They will soon join a distinguished network of CCL alumni that includes almost 100 individuals who are shaping the future of arts institutions across the world. AAM members include: Richard Aste, curator of European art, Brooklyn Museum; Peter Barberie, The Brodsky Curator of Photographs, Philadelphia Museum of Art; Valerie Hillings, curator and manager, curatorial affairs, Abu Dhabi Project, Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum; and Theresa Papankolas, curator of European and American art, Honolulu Museum of Art.

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