



N. Cornell Boggs III

N. Cornell Boggs III has been a member of the Thrivent Board of Directors since December 2013. He serves as vice chair of the board, as chair of the Governance committee, and as a member of the Human Resource and Executive committees.

Boggs currently serves as a senior advisor for BarkerGilmore LLC, a corporate legal advisory firm. Previously, Boggs served as executive vice president, general counsel and corporate secretary for Toys 'R' Us, Inc., where he led its global legal and legislative affairs functions.

Prior to Toys 'R' Us, Boggs served as senior vice president, general counsel and corporate secretary for Dow Corning Co., leading its global legal, government affairs, corporate security and ethics and compliance functions. In addition, he served as chief responsibility and ethics officer for MillerCoors. He previously was the chief legal officer and group vice president of public affairs for Coors Brewing Co., and vice president and general counsel for Tyco Plastics & Adhesives. He also served in the legal departments of Monsanto Co., Anheuser-Busch Companies and Intel Corp.

Boggs began his career as a judicial clerk for the Indiana Court of Appeals, followed by an appointment in the Attorney General's Honor Program, where he served as a trial attorney with the U.S. Department of Justice.

He earned a bachelor's degree in journalism with distinction from Valparaiso University and a Juris Doctor from the Valparaiso University School of Law. He is admitted to practice law in Indiana, Michigan and Missouri.

Boggs is currently a member of the Valparaiso University board. In 2009 he was recognized as one of the 150 Most Influential People in Valparaiso's 150-year history. In 2014 Savoy magazine named him one of the Top 100 Influential Blacks in Corporate America, and in 2015 the publication recognized him as one of the Most Influential Black Lawyers in America. In 2017 he was recognized with a Burton Award as a Legend in the Law.

Boggs and his wife, Melissa, reside in Ludington, Michigan, where they are members of Cornerstone Baptist Church.