Colleen Cunningham, CPA
President and CEO
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Colleen Cunningham was named President and CEO of Financial Executives International (FEI) in March of 2003. FEI is the professional association of choice for senior-level corporate financial executives and the leading organization dedicated to advancing ethical, responsible financial management. Serving 15,000 members from all industries, the global association is a proactive advocate, working with regulators and legislators on behalf of the membership.

Prior to joining FEI, Cunningham served as Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, North America, of Havas Advertising (NASDAQ: HAVS), the fifth largest advertising holding company in the world. At Havas, Cunningham was responsible for North American financial operations, including tax, controller and treasury functions, SEC and U.S. GAAP reporting and worldwide accounting policies, as well as establishing and staffing the company’s North American headquarters.

Cunningham brings to FEI 20 years of public accounting and corporate finance management experience. She began her career in public accounting with the firms formerly known as Touche Ross and Coopers & Lybrand. She then spent thirteen years with AT&T as Assistant Controller of AT&T Capital during a period of enormous growth, and later as Vice President and Chief Accountant at AT&T Corporate.

Cunningham earned a BA in Economics from Rutgers University in New Brunswick, NJ, and an MBA in Management from NYU’s Stern School of Business in New York City, where she was a Stern Scholar in the Executive Management Program.

A member of FEI since 2000, Cunningham was named one of the top 100 influential people in finance by Treasury & Risk Management magazine, and one of the top 100 influential people in accounting by Accounting Today. She is also a member of FASAC and IASAC. She resides in Rockaway Township, New Jersey with her husband Todd and their five children.