



Employees' Retirement System
of the State of Hawaii

Williams elected to NCTR executive committee

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The National Council on Teacher Retirement (NCTR), during its 99th annual meeting on October 14, elected Employees' Retirement System (ERS) Executive Director Thomas Williams to serve on its 10-member executive committee for a three-year term.



The [NCTR](#) executive committee is the organization's governing body, self-described as an “independent association dedicated to safeguarding the integrity of public retirement systems to which teachers and related education personnel belong.” Its membership includes 63 state, territorial and local pension systems representing more than 19 million members.

“I am honored to have been elected,” Williams said. “In my mind, there is no more important a group to the nation’s future than its educators.”

Williams joined the ERS in November 2015. He previously served as a senior executive with TIAA-CREF, the world's largest private pension fund, as well as executive director of the Wyoming Retirement System.

The ERS, with more than \$21 billion in assets, was established in 1926 and provides retirement allowances and other benefits to more than 148,000 retirees, beneficiaries, inactive vested members, and active public employees working for the state and the counties of Hawaii.