Todd Saliman, vice president of budget and finance and chief financial officer, has 20 years of experience working on public policy in Colorado. He served in the Cabinet for two governors and is a former member of the Colorado General Assembly. Before joining CU, he worked with a private government affairs company in Colorado. He has several years of experience advocating on behalf of CU with Colorado policy makers.

Saliman helped guide the state budget during the worst recession since the great depression. He was a member of Gov. John Hickenlooper’s Cabinet and senior staff team, providing guidance on budget, legislative and strategic initiatives. From 2007–10, he was a member of Gov. Bill Ritter’s Cabinet and senior staff team as director of the Governor’s Office of State Planning and Budgeting. As director, he developed the governor’s budget request – submitted annually to the Colorado legislature – and developed and implemented plans to keep the budget balanced throughout the fiscal year. His office also prepared quarterly economic
forecasts for the state.

From 2003-06, Saliman owned and operated his own lobbying firm, Todd Saliman and Associates, which represented some of the most prominent organizations and governmental entities in Colorado, including the University of Colorado.

He served eight years in the Colorado legislature (1995–2002), four of which were spent serving on the Joint Budget Committee. He also served on the Appropriation, Finance and Local Government committees. Saliman was appointed to various special committees that focused on specific issues.

Saliman is a native of Colorado and attended the University of Colorado Boulder. He graduated cum laude with a degree in political science. He is married to Michelle Segal and the couple has two children, Max and Mira.

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