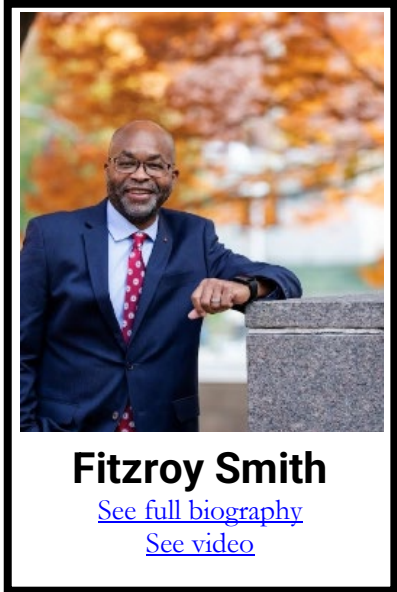


URMIA Election Candidate 2026

Individual Profile			
Name:	Fitzroy Smith	Position:	Board Member - Institution
Title:	AVP Insurance & Risk Management	Organization:	Howard University
Designations:	CPCU, ARM, MS, DRM, CPHRM	Years in Higher Ed RM:	21 years
Gender:	Male	Race:	Black/Afro-Caribbean/African American
Organization Profile			
Membership category:	Institutional Tier 4	Student FTE of institution:	14,890
Type of institution	Private, Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) Institution	Two-year institution:	No



What leadership skills and talents make you a good candidate?

With over 21 years of experience in higher education risk management, I bring mission-focused leadership grounded in real-world practice. I have a proven ability to align risk management initiatives with institutional priorities while navigating complex and evolving challenges. Finally, I am deeply committed to advancing the profession through active engagement, thought leadership, and support of peer development.

What would you bring to the board (e.g., thought leadership, talent, skillset, ability, etc.)?

My strength in building collaborative relationships would support effective Board engagement and member connection across diverse institutions. I also bring a strategic mindset with the ability to translate ideas into actionable initiatives that deliver value to URMIA.