Frank A. Tauches, Jr., Col USMCR (Ret)

Frank joined the United States Marine Corps Platoon Leaders Class Program while afreshman at Fordham in 1965 and was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant in February 1968 upon his graduation from Fordham University. He was transferred to the PLC (Law) Program and commenced active duty in January 1971 after graduating from St. John's University School of Law.

He served on active duty as a Captain for three years as a Judge Advocate with Force Troops Atlantic at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina. Upon release from active duty he remained active in the United States Marine Corps Reserve with the 6th Communication Battalion at Fort Schuyler, New York, where he served as a Company Commander. He subsequently served in Washington, D.C. as an Appellate Counsel at the Navy-Marine Corps appellate Review activity. He was then assigned to the Office of the Secretary of Defense, where he worked with the U.S. Department of Justice and the NIS to recover funds lost in fraudulent securities transactions. He returned to active duty for six months as a Colonel in 1990 in conjunction with Operation Desert Shield/ Desert Storm. He was elected President of the Marine Corps Reserve Officers Association in 1993 and represented that organization before the Department of Defense and Congress. He subsequently served at the Office of Counsel for the Commandant and as Coordinator of the Reserve Special Staff Officer Program at the 1st Marine Corps District in Garden City, NY. Although he retired from the Marine Corps Reserve in May, 2007 with 42 years of total active and reserve service. He still serves on the Investment Oversight Committee for Marine Corps Community Services and has just started his 50th year.

On the civilian side Frank first entered the securities industry in 1974 as an Enforcement Attorney with the New York Stock Exchange and subsequently spent ten years with Merrill Lynch & Co. as Regulatory Counsel and Branch Manager. He formed Independent Financial Securities in 1987. Frank was appointed to the Board of Directors of American Portfolios Holdings, Inc. in 2003 and then served as General Counsel and Chief Operating Officer of American Portfolios Financial Services before his appointment as President in 2006. In 2008 he was appointed Executive Vice President and General Counsel of American Portfolios Holdings, Inc. He served on the Board of Directors of the Financial Services Institute from 2009 through 2012, and chaired its 2009 One Voice Conference in San Antonio, Texas.

He served as Chairman of the Water Authority of Western Nassau County, a public benefit corporation, from 1995 to 2008 and negotiated the takeover of the assets of Jamaica Water Supply Company. Frank also was elected a Trustee of the Incorporated Village of Garden City, New York in1990 and served as Mayor from 1997 to1999. While Mayor of Garden City he was elected President of the Nassau County Village Officials Association which represented the sixty-four villages in Nassau County, New York.



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He and his wife Lorraine have been married for forty three years and have four grown children and two grandchildren.