



DONNA L. BURDEN, ESQ., '84 WILLIAMSVILLE, NY

EXPERIENCE

Donna Burden is a Founding Member of the Buffalo, NY, law firm of Burden, Hafner & Hansen, LLC. She has many years of experience litigating large loss cases in trucking and transportation, product liability, medical device, professional liability, labor law, school, premises, toxic tort, municipal law, employment law, sexual assault and Child Victims Act and other catastrophic injury matters. Donna is the head of the firm's 24-Hour Emergency Response Team. The firm is a proud member of the Themis Advocates Group. Burden, Hafner & Hansen, LLC is certified by the Women's Business Enterprise National Council (WBENC) as a Women's Business Enterprise (WBE).

She is a member of the Board of Directors of the International Association of Defense Counsel (IADC) and a former member of the Board of Directors and Vice President of the Foundation of the IADC. She is also a former Chair of the IADC Transportation Committee and former Chair of the IADC Trucking Subcommittee. She served as Faculty for the IADC Trial Academy at Stanford in 2015 and served on the Nominating Committee in July 2016.

Donna was General Counsel and a member of the Board of Directors of the Trucking Industry Defense Association (TIDA) until 2022. She is also a former member of the Board of Directors of DRI, as well as the former Chair of the DRI Trucking Committee and former Program Chair for the Trucking Law Conference. She is also a member of the Transportation Lawyers Association (TLA) and Canadian Transport Lawyers Association (CTLA).

Donna's other civic activities include service on the Heritage Centers (now known as ARC Erie County) Board of Directors 2000-2011, serving as Chair 2009-2011, Vice-Chair 2007-2009 and Secretary 2005-2007. She also served on the Heritage Centers Foundation (Heritage Oak Foundation) Board of Directors 2009-2011, the Center for Handicapped Children (CHC Learning Center) Board of Directors 2001-2011, the Skating Association for the Blind and Handicapped (now known as Spirited Athletes Bold at Heart) (SABAH) Board of Directors 1998-2008, serving as President in her last term. She also served on the Buffalo Hearing and Speech Foundation Board of Directors, in 1999.

SBU HISTORY

Donna graduated in 1984 with a BA in History. Her husband, Joe, is also a 1984 SBU graduate with a BA in History. Donna has served on the Buffalo Gaudete Committee and has been an Annual Fund volunteer. She is a member of the Seraphim Legacy Society. Donna and Joe have attended several alumni events, including their reunion in 2019 and the Buffalo presidential event in September. They have been Devereux-level donors since 2010. In 2018, they established the Donna L. (Smith) and Joseph W. Burden III Endowed Scholarship.

PERSONAL

Donna and Joe live in Williamsville and have twin daughters. Joe is a vice president at HSBC. Donna received her JD degree from the University of Buffalo in 1987. She is a past board member of the Heritage Centers, Center for Handicapped Children, Skating Association for the Blind and Handicapped, and the Buffalo Hearing and Speech Foundation.





JOSEPH “JOE” DAVIS, '79 BAY SHORE, NY

EXPERIENCE

Joe Davis is the retired Managing Director of Morgan Stanley Fund Services (MSFS). He was responsible for operations, product development and finance teams and was a member of the MSFS Executive Committee. He joined the company in 2016 and retired April 2, 2023. From 2006 until 2016, Joe played a leadership role in the Morgan Stanley Prime Brokerage business. His responsibilities included managing the Global Client Service team. From 2003 until 2006, Joe was the Chief Operating Officer at Saranac Capital Management, a NY-based hedge fund and spin out from Citigroup. He initially worked at Morgan Stanley from 1985 until 2002. His responsibilities included financial and regulatory reporting for Morgan Stanley & Co. (MSCO). Joe was Financial Controller for the firm's prime brokerage business, had a financial and operational leadership role supporting the firm's fixed income trading division and was a registered broker/dealer. Prior to this, Joe was a Controller at Herzfeld & Stern. He began his career at Deloitte as a member of the financial services industry practice. He is an active member of the New York State Society of CPAs.

SBU HISTORY

Joe is a 1979 graduate with a BBA in Accounting. His brother, Matt, is a 1987 graduate and his sister, Christine Broomfield, graduated in 1992. Joe is a former member of the National Alumni Association Board and has been a Devereux-level donor since 1989. He has attended many basketball and alumni events in NYC. Joe also attended his reunion in 2019. He is a SHARE volunteer and has hosted enrollment events. Joe was the School of Business Leader in Residence and the keynote speaker for the Beta Gamma Sigma dinner in April 2023. He is also a SIMM supporter in the School of Business.

PERSONAL

Joe lives in Bay Shore, NY, with his wife, Kathy. They have two adult daughters, Erin and Kaitlyn. Joe and Kathy are active in an emergency food pantry in their community.





MARK MULHERN, CPA, '82 APEX, NC

EXPERIENCE

Mark Mulhern retired in 2022 as the Chief Financial Officer of Highwoods Properties, Inc (NYSE:HIW), an office-focused Real Estate Investment Trust (REIT) headquartered in Raleigh, NC. He spent nine years at Highwoods and previously was the CFO at EXCO Resources from 2013- 2014, a Dallas-based oil and gas exploration company. Prior to that, he spent 17 years at Progress Energy, a \$17B regulated utility in Raleigh. During his last four years there, he was the CFO. Progress Energy merged with Duke Energy in 2012.

He currently serves on the board and chairs the Compensation Committee of the Intercontinental Exchange (NYSE:ICE). The Intercontinental Exchange, headquartered in Atlanta, is a Fortune 500 Company formed in 2000 to modernize markets. ICE has a total enterprise value of \$75B and employs 10,000+ worldwide.

Mark also serves on the board and chairs the Audit Committee of Barings BDC (NYSE:BBDC), a Charlotte-based leading provider of debt capital to lower middle market companies with a total enterprise value of ~ \$2B. Barings is the investment arm of Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance and is a \$347 billion global investment manager.

SBU HISTORY

Mark graduated in 1982 with a BBA in Accounting. He played on the junior varsity basketball team in 1978-79 and two seasons on the rugby team. Mark was an RA in his junior year and lived in the Brickhouse in Allegany as a senior. He served two years as a student representative on the University Arbitration Board. Mark's wife, Kelly, graduated in 1983 with a BBA in Marketing. Mark and Kelly have been donors since 1987. Mark contacted many of his classmates to ask for support of the 2016 Bona Giving Day. Mark and Kelly attended their reunions in 2003 and 2007. In 2017, Mark attended a pre-game event in Pittsburgh with a number of his classmates. He attended the 2018 and 2022 A-10 tournaments and the Charlotte pre-game event in November 2021. He also attended the Presidential Reception in Raleigh in 2019.

PERSONAL

Mark and Kelly live in Apex, NC, and also own condos in Indian Beach and Blowing Rock, NC. They have four adult children.

