

Michael Allegretti, Board Director & Chairman

Michael serves as the Principal of the Hudson Square Group, where he provides advisory and consulting services to early-stage start-ups including Amevida, Prophetic AI, Shur, and Taza, as well as private equity firms looking to advance deals in industries related to waste and recycling, and public service innovation. Prior to this venture, he worked for six and half years as Chief Strategy Officer for Rubicon Technologies, Inc. (NYSE: RBT), where he served as a member of the founding Executive Leadership Team that helped to take the company public in August 2022. At Rubicon, the world's largest digital platform for waste, recycling and smart city solutions, he created and led the company's rapidly growing RUBICONSmartCity™ software business, while also overseeing all public policy, corporate communications, marketing, and environmental operations company-wide.

Prior to joining Rubicon, Michael oversaw public policy for Uber Technologies Inc. in the company's largest global market, New York City. He has also served as a senior advisor to various non-profit in the environmental and energy space. Most notably, he led public policy for the Manhattan Institute for Policy Research as Vice President, working for three years on the ground in the City of Detroit to help revamp the city's police department and seed economic development initiatives. Michael was also formerly the Political & Public Policy Analyst for UBS (NYSE: UBS), and midway through his career, he launched a highly competitive campaign for the U.S. House of Representatives in New York's 13th Congressional District.

Michael holds a Bachelor's Degree in History from Boston College and a Master's Degree in Public Policy from Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government. He has served as an Advisor to numerous technology start-ups including the Citizen App (aka, Sp0n Inc.), a start-up that alerts citizens in real-time to crimes and other emergencies in their vicinity. Michael is a member of the Board of Directors of Guardian Revival, a national non-profit organization that provides direct support to help rehabilitate veterans and former first responders; is also a member of the Board of Directors of the Pocono Mountains Music Festival; and is a Fellow and former U.S. Chair of the British American Project. His family has had roots in Barrett since 1987.

Karl Weiler, Board Director & Secretary

Karl Weiler is the Chairman Emeritus of Weiler Abrasives Group. He graduated from Hofstra University in 1960, having earned a BBA in Business and an Infantry Officer Reserve Commission in the United States Army. He graduated from the Infantry School at Fort Benning Georgia in 1961. During his 7-1/2 years of active and reserve duty, he graduated from the U.S. Army Armor School at Fort Knox, Kentucky and was discharged in 1968 from the Army Reserves with the rank of Captain Armor.

He joined Weiler Corporation (a business started by his father in 1944 in a converted chicken coop in Franklin Square N.Y.) in 1962 when the company employed approximately 25 people. Since then, he has held various positions within the organization and became President and Chief Executive Officer in 1972, and Chairman in 1998. Karl is today the Chairman Emeritus of the Weiler Abrasives Group.

The Weiler Abrasive Group is today a leading global manufacturer and marketer of Industrial Brushes and Abrasives selling in over 80 Countries. The company employs over 1,200 people with operations in Cresco, Pennsylvania, Brazil, Mexico, Germany and Slovenia.

Karl has served on numerous profit and nonprofit boards. He currently serves on the boards of the Pocono Mountain Municipal Airport Authority and the Barrett Economic Development Corporation. He is a member of the Young Presidents Organization YPO Gold.

Karl and his wife, Ann (also a Hofstra graduate) have three sons - Richard, who is a Design Engineer at Square D Corporation in Raleigh NC., Chris, who is Executive Chairman of the Weiler Abrasives Group, and James who teaches Industrial Design at East Stroudsburg University. Karl and his wife Ann have six grandchildren. Karl's hobbies include golf, collecting cars, and flying. During his flying career Karl held a commercial multi engine instrument pilot's license.

David Christine, Board Director & Treasurer

On January 1, 2024, E. David Christine, Jr. officially retired as the longest-serving District Attorney in the history of Monroe County, having served six terms in office. Subsequently, he was appointed by current District Attorney Mike Mancuso to the position of District Attorney Emeritus. As District Attorney Emeritus, David will continue to use his experience, professionalism, and legal expertise to mentor new Assistant District Attorneys.

David was born in East Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania and is a seventh-generation descendant of Philip Bossard, the first European pioneer to settle in Cherry Valley in 1745. David grew up on the family farm located only a few miles away from the Bossard homestead. Born into a family with a proud reputation for public and community service, David is the son and namesake of the late Elmer D. Christine, Sr., Esquire and the late Dee Gregory Christine. Elmer D. Christine, Sr. served as District Attorney of Monroe County from 1952 through 1955. One of the longest serving attorneys in the history of Monroe County, Elmer Christine held the position of member of the Monroe County Bar Association for 63 years at the time of his death in 2004.

A dedicated volunteer for many community and charitable organizations, David's mother volunteered at Pocono Medical Center for more than 50 years. His brother, Greg, previously served one term as a Monroe County Commissioner, and also served the citizens of Monroe County as the County Administrator. During his tenure as District Attorney, David resided in Stroudsburg with his wife, Lori J. Cerato, Esq. Post-retirement, the couple has moved to Buck Hill Falls.

David is a 1975 graduate of Stroudsburg High School, graduated from Lafayette College with a bachelor's degree in government & law in 1979, and then graduated as a Dean's Scholar from the Southwestern University School of Law in Los Angeles, California in 1981. He then returned to Cherry Valley to fulfill his lifelong dream of practicing law with his father.

David first began working as a prosecutor in 1982, for then-District Attorney James F. Marsh, who became his mentor in the field of criminal prosecution. When he succeeded Attorney Marsh as the District Attorney in 1988, Christine, at age 30, was the youngest District Attorney ever elected in Monroe County. In addition to his career as a criminal prosecutor, David practiced civil law with his father for 23 years at the law firm of Christine & Christine, located in East Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania. David has been a

member of the bar of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and Monroe County for more than 44 years.

Prior to serving as District Attorney, David held the role of Solicitor for the Tobyhanna Township Board of Supervisors, the Stroud Township Zoning Hearing Board, and the Stroud Area Regional Police Commission. He also served as specially appointed Solicitor for the Board of Supervisors of Stroud Township, Smithfield Township and Pocono Township. David is a past Board Member of the Center for Developmental Disabilities, the Monroe County Industrial Development Authority, and was a Special Public Defender by Appointment of President Judges James R. Marsh and Ronald E. Vican.

Elliot Dee, Board Director

For the past 18 years, Elliot has worked as a consultant to nonprofit organizations in the areas of strategic planning, fundraising, program development, communications and public advocacy. During this time, he has helped social service agencies, arts organizations, medical philanthropies and community groups fulfill their missions and raised millions of dollars to effect positive change in communities.

In 1995, he co-founded and later served as President of a downtown management corporation in Maplewood, NJ, The Maplewood Village Alliance, that successfully transformed a struggling commercial center into a thriving downtown destination. Earlier in his career, Elliot worked in higher education for 20 years, serving as the Director of the Policy Analysis Exercise Program at Harvard's Kennedy School of Government and later as the Dean of Development for NYU's Tisch School of the Arts. He is a graduate of Cornell University and the Harvard Graduate School of Education.

Elliot married his college sweetheart Mary Jeanette in 1986 - the day after she graduated - and is the proud parent of three children: Liz, who works in force management at the Pentagon, Robert who works in finance in Chicago and Kat who is a teacher at a Montessori school in State College. Elliot is an active member of his church and a competitive bridge player. He enjoys hiking the many beautiful trails in Barrett Township and throughout Pennsylvania.

Sarah Aubrey, Board Director

Sarah Aubrey is The Aubrey Group's founder and leader. She strongly believes in acting from a place of our core values—kindness, curiosity, and diligence—as an invested advocate for improving our communities and delivering the highest level of service. Since founding the firm in 2015, she has been the lead grants project manager, HUD CDBG consultant, and senior planner on the majority of the firm's projects across multiple markets, including local government, nonprofit, corporate, and education.

Under her leadership, The Aubrey Group has served dozens of New Jersey local government clients, including the Cities of Newark, Rahway, East Orange, and Camden, the Townships of Montclair and Fairfield, and the Boroughs of Roselle Park, Matawan, and Buena, just to name a few. Her firm has helped clients secure grant funding from federal, state, county, and private foundation sources.

Raised by a single mother who worked as a public-school teacher, Sarah is passionate about applying insider knowledge to create equity and access. Prior to founding The Aubrey Group, she founded a nonprofit that provides simultaneous interpretation services to other nonprofits and community advocacy groups in Philadelphia, such as the Philadelphia Student Union and Trainers for Change. She then served as the Legislative Director for the Speaker Pro Tempore and Chair of Housing and Community Development of the New Jersey State Assembly. She then moved into the Chief Strategy Officer role with USA Architects Planners & Interior Designers.

She has continued to apply the gained knowledge of constraints and opportunities specific to the government, private business and nonprofit sectors to her firm's successful projects. Sarah believes that we can create the world we want to live in when we align individual diligence, creative collaboration, and a clear vision. She is a proud alumna of Bryn Mawr College, where she earned her Artium Baccalaureus (AB) in Political Science, Magna Cum Laude and with Honors, in 2013.

Peter Pipolo, Board Director

Peter, has been a resident of Barrett Township since 1984 and brings more than three decades of hands-on business experience to his role as a board member of BEDCO. He began his automotive business immediately after graduating high school in 1990 and grew it into a long-standing operation that continues to serve the region today. He also owns and operates The PourHouse Neighborhood Bar & Grille in Mountainhome, and several multi-family and commercial real estate properties. His background provides a practical understanding of what it takes to build, sustain, and grow local businesses.

Community involvement has been a constant part of his life. He has been a member of the Rotary Club of the Pocono Mountains for 16 years, serving seven years as Vice President and currently as President. Through Rotary, he helped establish the popular Concert in the Park series and has served as Chairman of the Barrett Township Halloween Parade for the past nine years. He is also a longtime volunteer with Monroe County Meals on Wheels, a 4th-degree member of the Knights of Columbus, the Charter Organization Representative for BSA Scouts Troop 89 and a Disaster Action Team Supervisor and Mass Care Associate with the American Red Cross, responding to local emergencies and supporting families during times of crisis.

Peter has been married to his wife, Elisabeth (Buffy), for 29 years, and they raised their two daughters in Barrett Township. Their eldest daughter, Sofia, has a background in media and communications and works as a concert promoter and freelance writer. Their younger daughter, Alyssa, holds a master's degree in architecture and is an Assistant Store Design Manager for Tapestry / Coach. Both daughters now live in Brooklyn, New York. Grounded in family, service, and accountability, Peter is committed to strengthening the local economy and supporting the long-term success of the community.