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Secretary of Business and Economic Development since January 31, 2003. Acting Secretary of Business and Economic Development, January 15-31, 2003.

Member, Governor's Executive Council, 2003-; Cabinet Council on Criminal and Juvenile Justice, 2003-05; Governor's Subcabinet for International Affairs, 2003-; Smart Growth Subcabinet, 2003-; Governor's Council on Adolescent Pregnancy, 2003-05; Maryland Agricultural Education and Rural Development Assistance Board, 2003-; Maryland Aviation Commission, 2003-; Task Force on Broadband Communications Deployment in Underserved Rural Areas, 2003-; Critical Area Commission for the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays, 2003-; Maryland Economic Development Assistance Authority, 2003-; Maryland Economic Development Commission, 2003-; Environmental Restoration and Development Task Force, 2003; Task Force to Study the Maryland Heritage Structure Rehabilitation Tax Credit Program, 2003; State Highway Access Valuation Board, 2003-; Governor's Commission on Hispanic Affairs, 2003-; Governor's Interagency Council on Homelessness, 2003-; Maryland Industrial Development Financing Authority, 2003-; State Information Technology Board, 2003-; Maryland Advisory Commission on Manufacturing Competitiveness, 2003-; Task Force on the Marketing of Grain and Other Agricultural Products, 2003. Chair, Maryland Military Installation Strategic Planning Council, 2003-. Member, Interdepartmental Advisory Committee for Minority Affairs, 2003-; Maryland Advisory Council for New Americans, 2003-; Governor's Interagency Council for the Nonprofit Sector, 2003-; Statewide Commission on the Crisis in Nursing, 2003-; Interagency Nutrient Reduction Oversight Committee, 2003-; Advisory Council for Port Land-Use Development, 2003-05; Rural Maryland Council, 2003-; Task Force to Study the Economic Development of the Maryland Seafood and Aquaculture Industries, 2003-04; Maryland Small Business Development Financing Authority, 2003-; Unemployment Insurance Funding Task Force, 2003; Western Maryland Economic Development Commission, 2003-04; Governor's Workforce Investment Board, 2003- (executive committee). Board of Directors, Bainbridge Development Corporation, 2003-; PenMar Development Corporation, 2003-; Maryland Technology Development Corporation, 2003-; Governor's Task Force on Centralized Bidder Registration for Minority Business Procurement, 2004-05; Interagency Disabilities Board, 2004-; Task Force to Study the Dynamics of Elderly and Retiree Migration Into and Out of Maryland, 2004-; State Planning Committee for Higher Education, 2004-; Governor's Commission on Quality Education in Maryland, 2004-05 (subcommittee on global best-practices in education). Board of Directors, Maryland Agricultural and Resource-Based Industry Development Corporation, 2004-. Board of Advisors, Institute of Human Virology. Member, Renewable Fuels Incentive Board, 2005-.

Board of Visitors, University of Maryland, College Park, 1992-99.

Born in Galatz, Romania, December 3, 1943. Emigrated to Maryland from Greece in 1956 at age 13. The Johns Hopkins University, B.S. (electrical engineering), 1966; George Washington University, M.S. (engineering management), 1969. Graduate Program for Management Development, Graduate School of Business Administration, Harvard University. Doctoral work (international affairs), Catholic University of America. Vice-President, Science and Technology, Westinghouse Electric Corporation, 1994-98 (32 years with company). President and Chief Executive Officer, Coleman Research Corporation and Thermo Coleman Corporation, 1998-2001. Chair, Armel Development Corporation, Armel Scientifics, LLC, and Armel Capital Management, LP, 2001-03. Founding Co-Chair, Greater Baltimore Technology Council, 1987-88. Chair, Maryland Manufacturing Association, 1988-91. Vice-President, Maryland Chamber of Commerce, 1988-92. National Advisory Council, Whiting School of Engineering, The Johns Hopkins University, 1996-. Board member, Technology Council of Maryland, 2001-; Emerging Technology Centers, 2002-. Board of Directors, Greater Baltimore Alliance, 2003-.