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# NEW JERSEY SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA WELCOMES FOUR NEW MEMBERS TO BOARD OF TRUSTEES

# NEW TRUSTEES INCLUDE RON BEIT, ANN DULLY BOROWIEC, ELIN MUELLER AND JOHN WOOSTER

NEWARK, NJ (October 25, 2013)—The New Jersey Symphony Orchestra welcomes four new members to its Board of Trustees. Ron Beit, Ann Dully Borowiec, Elin Mueller and John Wooster join a board that is charged with establishing policies that assist in the successful implementation of the NJSO's mission and vision. Beit, Borowiec, Mueller and Wooster bring philanthropic experience and a love of the arts to the NJSO board, which is made up of business, community and philanthropic leaders from across the state.

Beit is the founding partner and CEO of RBH Group, LLC, and President of RBH Management, LLC, asset and property management companies; his professional passion is in Newark, where he has been an active participant in helping the city become New Jersey's business and entertainment capital and a downtown 24-hour, seven-days-a-week attraction.

Borowiec, who recently retired from J.P. Morgan after 25 years with the firm, was most recently the Chief Executive Officer of J.P. Morgan's Private Wealth Management business, Global Head of Marketing for Wealth Management and a member of the J.P. Morgan Global Wealth Management Operating Committee.

For more than 40 years, Mueller has been a consummate community volunteer. She has been involved with the United Way of North Essex for more than 25 years and has served as President of the Home and School Association; she became a trained facilitator in group dynamics and nonprofit management through the Junior League of Montclair-Newark.

Wooster retired as Vice President of Communications for American International Group, Inc. (AIG) in 2010, having served the company since 1989. He has worked for more than 25 years in financial management, corporate communications and management consulting; in addition to public and investor relations, his experience encompasses many aspects of financial management.

Beit says: "For many years, I've been immersed in efforts to revitalize and transform Newark. It's a pleasure now to join forces with the NJSO, which, as one of Newark's greatest treasures, has long brought the transformative power of music to the people of this city."

Says Borowiec: "It is an honor to join the board of the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra. My passion for music began with my years playing woodwinds, and I truly love music. The arts are a vital part of our culture, and I am committed to helping maintain vibrant arts here in New Jersey."

Mueller says: "Much in life is transient. Music is not! It continues to give great joy. In a tumultuous world, music provides a retreat and tranquility. I am honored to join the NJSO board and look forward to participating in and contributing to a fine organization. The NJSO has been producing music of the highest quality; it is a vital part in sustaining and promoting our musical culture and heritage."

Says Wooster: "Having attended NJSO concerts for more than 10 years, I have been greatly impressed with the quality of the Orchestra and the enthusiasm of its supporters throughout the state. The passion of the players in the NJSO is evident in every piece they perform. Having enjoyed their work as a member of the audience, I am excited about this opportunity to utilize my business communications background to help the NJSO thrive in the future."

# **TRUSTEE BIOS**

### **Ron Beit**

Ron Beit is the founding partner and CEO of RBH Group, LLC, and President of RBH Management, LLC, asset and property management companies. He has acquired, developed, rehabilitated and/or operated more than 1 million square feet of existing commercial and residential real estate in numerous projects throughout the United States, as well as more than 6 million additional developable square feet in institutional-grade sites throughout downtown Newark, NJ.

Beit's professional passion is in Newark, where he has been an active participant in helping the city become New Jersey's business and entertainment capital and a downtown 24-hour, seven-days-a-week attraction. RBH Group boasts more than 77 parcels that were acquired through 29 separate transactions in Newark's downtown core. The company's efforts there to date have been in land assemblage and land entitlement in order to create a large-scale platform for institutional-grade development. RBH is currently developing the groundbreaking Teachers Village Project in the historic core of the city.

Beit sits on the steering committee for UJA's REX Division (young real estate professionals) and is on the New Jersey Committee of the Regional Plan Association. He is Chairman of the Board of the Newark Downtown District, a board member of the Newark Real Estate Board, Newark Alliance, St. Benedict's Preparatory, Teach for America (New Jersey) and Newark Police Foundation. He is also an active participant and contributor to several other charities.

Beit and his real-estate work in Newark have been featured in *The New York Times* and *The Wall Street Journal*, as well as on "The Stoler Report" and Sundance Channel's "Brick City" television programs. He was named #17 in NJ Biz's 2012 Power 50 in Real Estate and was featured on the "New Jersey Capitol Report" in August 2012. He was awarded the "Partners in Progress Award" by Newark Beth Israel Medical Center and Children's Hospital of New Jersey (Barnabas Health) in April 2012.

He earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics from the University of Wisconsin and Juris Doctorate at New York Law School; he has been admitted to both the New York and New Jersey Bar Associations. Beit lives in Manhattan with his wife and three children.

#### Ann D. Borowiec

Ann D. Borowiec recently retired from J.P. Morgan after 25 years with the firm. The majority of her career at J.P. Morgan was in the US Private Bank, working with wealthy families. Through her work on philanthropic services with wealthy families, Borowiec developed a passion around the need for education reform. She partnered with key players in New Jersey to launch an education advocacy organization entitled New Jersey Coalition for Action Now ("JerseyCAN"); the organization focused on research-based education reforms to give every child access to great schools.

Borowiec was most recently the Chief Executive Officer of J.P. Morgan's Private Wealth Management business, Global Head of Marketing for Wealth Management and a member of the J.P. Morgan Global Wealth Management Operating Committee. Borowiec previously ran the New Jersey and Mid-Atlantic regional wealth management businesses. While most of her career at J.P. Morgan was in the Private Bank, she was also Head of Investor Relations for JPMorgan Chase & Co. reporting directly to the Chief Financial Officer for three years.

In 2012, Borowiec was inducted into the NJ Business Hall of Fame. NJ BIZ named her one of New Jersey's Best 50 Women in Business in 2007. In 2001, *Worth* magazine selected her as a top financial advisor in the United States.

Borowiec is committed to the important role of vibrant arts and quality education in her New Jersey community. She currently serves as a member of the board of the New Jersey Performing Arts Center and previously served on the

boards of the Paper Mill Playhouse and Oak Knoll School; she currently co-chairs the advisory board of JerseyCAN. Borowiec earned an MBA from Harvard University and BBA from Texas Christian University. She is a Certified Public Accountant and holds the Certified Financial Planner designation.

#### Elin Heine Mueller

Elin Heine Mueller was born, raised and educated in Copenhagen, Denmark. She was an American Field Service scholar and immigrated to the United States in 1962. Her first years were spent working in banking; she worked for the United Nations Visitor's service for several years and then worked in the fashion industry while attending the New School for Social Research and Hunter College. She spent a year working for the sociology and psychology departments at Duke University.

In 1969, she and her family moved to New Jersey, and Mueller began her "career" as the consummate community volunteer. Her involvement started with the Home and School Association as president and with the Junior League of Montclair-Newark, where she became a trained facilitator in group dynamics and nonprofit management. She conducted the Junior League state training course and held the New Jersey state training chairmanship. She served on the Board Member Institute's Board of Directors while training nonprofits throughout the state of New Jersey, specializing in strategic planning. She also sang alto in a Junior League-sponsored show chorus, performing for senior citizens in Essex County in what became a 25-year commitment with approximately 45 performances each year.

The United Way of North Essex became another 25-year plus commitment for Mueller. She joined its Board of Directors, chaired a two-year comprehensive need assessment study and chaired the Administration Division's formulation of its investment policy and fiduciary responsibilities for the United Way Endowment. She served as President and was invited to be a part of a merger team, creating the consolidated United Way of Northern New Jersey. She served on the newly created Board of Directors from 2011 to 2013.

Mueller's additional leadership positions include roles as President of the Essex Fells Garden Club, Essex Fells Zoning Board of Adjustment and Essex Fells Assistance Board.

#### John Wooster

John Wooster retired as Vice President of Communications for American International Group, Inc. (AIG) in 2010, having served the company since 1989. He had management responsibility for AIG's worldwide corporate communications, public and media relations, advertising, corporate identity, marketing services, employee communications, external and community relations and special events. He was also involved in the company's investor relations and public affairs areas.

Wooster has worked for more than 25 years in financial management, corporate communications and management consulting. In addition to public and investor relations, his experience encompasses many aspects of financial management, including treasury, financial reporting, acquisitions, international finance, financial planning and financial communications.

Immediately before joining AIG, Wooster was President of Wooster Communications, his own corporate communications firm in New York. The firm advised clients in public and investor relations and handled assignments in speech and article writing, annual report and brochure writing and production, and direct marketing of financial products and services. Previously, he was President and Chief Financial Officer of the Hannaford Company, a public relations and public affairs firm, for six years. During that time, he handled public and financial relations assignments for clients that included the New York Stock Exchange, American Home Products Corporation, Kidder, Peabody & Co. and General Motors Corporation.

Before joining Hannaford, Wooster was a management consultant with McKinsey & Company, where he rose from Associate to Principal with responsibility for the New York office's financial consulting practice. He specialized in the areas of international finance, financial planning and strategy and corporate organization. Clients he served included

American Express Company, Pan American World Airways, Mobil Corporation, Wachovia Corporation, Penn Central Company, FMC Corporation, Fireman's Fund Insurance Company and Mitsubishi Corporation.

Wooster began his career as a financial analyst in the Treasurer's Department of Standard Oil of New Jersey, now Exxon Corporation, in New York, and ion Esso Europe in London, where he worked with the Treasurers of the company's European affiliates on their financial plans and other projects. He was with the Exxon organization for six years.

He is a member of the Public Relations Seminar, The Wisemen and the Public Information Executives Group of The Business Roundtable. He is a graduate of Dartmouth College with a bachelor's degree in political science and has an MBA in finance from Columbia University Graduate School of Business. He lives in New York City and Fort Lauderdale.

# **THE NEW JERSEY SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA**

Named "a vital, artistically significant musical organization" by *The Wall Street Journal*, the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra embodies that vitality through its statewide presence and critically acclaimed performances, education partnerships and unparalleled access to music and the Orchestra's superb musicians.

Under the bold leadership of Music Director Jacques Lacombe, the NJSO presents classical, pops and family programs, as well as outdoor summer concerts and special events. Embracing its legacy as a statewide orchestra, the NJSO is the resident orchestra of the New Jersey Performing Arts Center in Newark and regularly performs at the State Theatre in New Brunswick, Count Basie Theatre in Red Bank, Richardson Auditorium in Princeton, Mayo Performing Arts Center in Morristown and bergenPAC in Englewood. Partnerships with New Jersey arts organizations, universities and civic organizations remain a key element of the Orchestra's statewide identity.

In addition to its lauded artistic programming, the NJSO presents a suite of education and community engagement programs that promote meaningful, lifelong engagement with live music. Programs include the three-ensemble Greater Newark Youth Orchestras, school-time Concerts for Young People performances and multiple initiatives that provide and promote in-school instrumental instruction. The NJSO's Resources for Education and Community Harmony (REACH) chamber music program annually brings original programs—designed and performed by NJSO musicians—to a variety of settings, reaching as many as 17,000 people in nearly all of New Jersey's 21 counties.

For more information about the NJSO, visit <a href="www.njsymphony.org">www.njsymphony.org</a> or email <a href="mailto:information@njsymphony.org">information@njsymphony.org</a>. Tickets are available for purchase by phone 1.800.ALLEGRO (255.3476) or on the Orchestra's website.

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