



RAY W. WASHBURNE

President and CEO
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Ray W. Washburne was appointed by President Donald J. Trump as the President and CEO of OPIC and joined the agency in August 2017.

Mr. Washburne is a Texas-based investor who has a long history of heading successful businesses. Most recently, he was the President and CEO of Charter Holdings, a private real estate investment company based in Dallas. Mr. Washburne co-founded and co-owned M Crowd Restaurant Group, which owns and operates restaurants around the U.S. He also served as the President and Managing Director of Highland Park Village in Dallas, an internationally recognized destination shopping center that has been recognized as a National Historic Landmark.

Over the course of his career, Mr. Washburne has served on the board and loan committees of several banks, infrastructure, construction, and manufacturing businesses. As a real estate investor, he acquired and developed a wide range of properties, from office buildings and warehouses to shopping centers and land developments.

Mr. Washburne actively participates in a number of associations, including global business organizations, nonprofits, and real estate councils, such as the World Presidents' Organization, The Real Estate Council, International Council of Shopping Centers, Urban Land Institute, Veritex Bank, SMU O'Neil Center Advisory Board, SMU Tower Center, Dallas Museum of Art Committee on Collections, and Baylor Health Care System Foundation.

Mr. Washburne has spent a great deal of time in Africa. He recently funded the construction of a new k-12 school for 300 children in Zambia's capital, Lusaka.

He is a graduate of Southern Methodist University and has served as an adjunct professor at SMU Cox School of Business.



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