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Peter is President & CEO of the Dwight Group, LLC, which assists international transactions. He earlier served as President Bush 43's Chairman, President & CEO of the U.S. Overseas Private Investment Corporation (OPIC), now the Development Finance Corporation (DFC). Prior to his OPIC selection, Peter was appointed Chairman of the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC) by President Bill J. Clinton.

In addition to his five years on the ITC, Peter served at the White House as President Bush 41's Director of Asian Affairs at the National Security Council (NSC), later serving as Senior Advisor to Armitage Associates, LLC.

Peter served on the Board of Directors of the Fluor Corporation, and is Advisor to NuScale Power. For several years Peter served as Legal Advisor to the Government of Japan in Washington, D.C. In 2022 President Biden appointed him U.S. Delegate, the Palau Economic Advisory Group.

Peter's academic service includes Visiting Professor, St. Peter's College, Oxford University, Distinguished Lecturer, Georgetown University's McDonough School of Business's adjunct faculty, and Board of Visitors, Peter F. Drucker Graduate School of Management, Claremont Graduate University. He is a non-resident Distinguished Senior Fellow of Sasakawa U.S.A.

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Peter's public service includes appointment to the U.S. Department of State Advisory Committee on International Economic Policy, and Scientific Advisory Board of the Ras Al Khaimah Centre for Advanced Materials. He is an Awardee of the Woodrow Wilson Center for International Scholars Award for Public Service, and former co-chair of the American Bar Association's Senior International Appointment's Committee.

Peter has published over 50 articles on international business and trade policy. He is the author of *The Economic Arsenal in the War Against Terror*, principal author of *Completing the World Trading System: Proposals for a Millennium Round*,

On January 1, 2002, Dr. Watson was awarded *Officer of the New Zealand Order of Merit (ONZM)*, by Queen Elizabeth II, and on January 1, 2012, she awarded him *Companion of the New Zealand Order of Merit (CNZM)*. He is a Member of the Council on Foreign Relations.

