

Biographical Description for The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History with Charles Phillips, Jr.

PERSON

Phillips, Charles E., Jr., 1959-

Alternative Names: Charles Phillips, Jr.;

Life Dates: June 10, 1959-

Place of Birth: Little Rock, Arkansas, USA

Work: New York, NY

Occupations: Corporate Chief Executive

Biographical Note

Corporate executive Charles E. Phillips, Jr. was born in June of 1959 in Little Rock, Arkansas. He attended the United States Air Force Academy, where he received his B.S. degree in computer science in 1981. Phillips served first as a second lieutenant, and then as captain in the United States Marine Corps, 2nd Battalion, 10th Marines from 1981 to 1986 at Camp Lejeune in Jacksonville, North Carolina. He received his M.B.A degree from Hampton University in 1986 and his J.D. degree from the New York Law School in 1993.

In 1986, Phillips was named vice president of software for the Bank of New York Mellon Corporation. He worked as senior vice president of SoundView Technology Group from 1990 to 1993, and senior vice president of Kidder Peabody from 1990 to 1994. Phillips then landed a job as a principal with Morgan Stanley Dean Witter's Institutional Securities Division in 1994, and was promoted to managing director in 1995. Then, in 2003, Phillips was hired by Oracle Corporation in Redwood Shores, California, as executive vice president of strategy, partnerships, and business development. He was appointed president and a member of the board of directors of Oracle in 2004, where he remained until 2010. In 2010, Phillips was named chief executive officer of Infor, an ERP software provider headquartered in New York City. He serves on the boards of Infor, Viacom Corporation, Jazz at Lincoln Center, New York Law School, the American Museum of Natural History, the United States Air Force Academy Endowment Fund, and Posse Foundation. Phillips is also a board member of his family foundation, Phillips Charitable Organizations, which provides financial aid for single parents, students interested in engineering, and wounded veterans. In February 2009, he was appointed as a member of the President's Economic Recovery Advisory Board in order to provide U.S. President Barack Obama and his administration with advice and counsel in addressing the late-2000s recession.

Phillips was recognized by Institutional Investor magazine as the Number One Enterprise Software Industry Analyst from 1994 to 2003. He was also named by Black Enterprise magazine as one of the Top 50 African Americans on Wall Street in 2002.

Charles Phillips was interviewed by The HistoryMakers on April 11, 2014.

Related Entries

United States Air Force Academy [STUDENTOF]
[from ? to ?]

B.S.

Hampton University [STUDENTOF]
[from ? to ?]

M.B.A.

New York Law School [STUDENTOF]
[from ? to ?]

J.D.

United States Marine Corps [EMPLOYEEOF]
[from 1981 to 1986]

Second Lieutenant / Captain

Bank of New York Mellon Corporation [EMPLOYEEOF]
[from 1986 to 1990]

Vice President of Software

SoundView Technology Group [EMPLOYEEOF]
[from 1990 to 1993]

Senior Vice President

Kidder Peabody [EMPLOYEEOF]
[from 1990 to 1994]

Senior Vice President

Morgan Stanley Dean Witter [EMPLOYEEOF]
[from 1994 to 1995]

Principal

Morgan Stanley Dean Witter [EMPLOYEEOF]
[from 1995 to 2003]

Managing Director

Oracle Corporation [EMPLOYEEOF]

[from 2003 to 2004]

**Executive Vice President of Strategy,
Partnerships, and Business Development**

Oracle Corporation [EMPLOYEEOF]

[from 2004 to 2010]

President

Infor [EMPLOYEEOF]

[from 2010 to ?]

Chief Executive Officer

Infor [MEMBEROF]

[from ? to ?]

Board Member

Viacom Corporation [MEMBEROF]

[from ? to ?]

Board Member

Jazz at Lincoln Center [MEMBEROF]

[from ? to ?]

Board Member

New York Law School [MEMBEROF]

[from ? to ?]

Board Member

American Museum of Natural History [MEMBEROF]

[from ? to ?]

Board Member

United States Air Force Academy Endowment Fund

[MEMBEROF]

[from ? to ?]

Board Member

Posse Foundation [MEMBEROF]

[from ? to ?]

Board Member

Phillips Charitable Organizations [MEMBEROF]

[from ? to ?]

Board Member

President's Economic Recovery Advisory Board

[MEMBEROF]

[from 2009 to ?]

Member