

Leaving a Legacy

Colleagues, associates, and friends provide some farewell wishes to Peter Scarpato as he sets sail on his new journey. If we missed anybody, we invite you to share your sentiments, favorite memories, or revelations regarding Peter. Please submit your message to airrocmatters@airroc.org. We'll be posting your submission on this page.

"It has been an honor to have known Peter during much of my career and to have interacted with him in various capacities, whether as AIG colleagues, at ARIAS conferences (where you could always count on him to ask a probing question or make an insightful comment!), or on the arbitration/mediation 'circuit.' He is a credit to the legal profession and the (re)insurance industry, and I feel privileged to know him and to call him my friend." – **Eric Kobrick, Senior Vice President & Deputy General Counsel, AIG**

"I had the pleasure of working with Peter for more than 5 years at Brandywine. Prior to our time as colleagues, I was aware of his reputation as a serious, thoughtful arbitrator and skilled mediator. Working together I learned about his reinsurance expertise and deep experience, his skill as a people manager and his sharp wit. Peter was a mentor, a supportive manager and a fantastic colleague. He will be deeply missed at Brandywine." – **Brendan D. McQuiggan, Vice President, Ceded Reinsurance, Brandywine Group of Insurance and Reinsurance Companies**

"Peter has been and always will be a scholar. I remember the first AIRROC meeting when Peter held up other glossy magazines hoping that we could be similar. Because of his efforts, we produced editions that were likewise classy and filled with informative articles written by some of the best in the industry. I have always considered Peter a friend and hope to always be his friend. Enjoy a healthy retirement, Peter." – **Trish Getty, Past Executive Director, AIRROC**

"Very early in my arbitration career, I had occasion to consult Peter about the potential risks and rewards of leaving the corporate reinsurance world to start my own arbitration practice. It was shortly after 9/11, and the work landscape looked bleak. But in his usual deliberative and level-headed way, Peter walked me through all the pros and cons, and his concluding advice was a pithy "go for it." So I did and never looked back.

Peter remains a dear friend and advisor, and I'm privileged to say that we have had occasion to serve on several interesting and hard-fought arbitrations together over the years. I have always found him to be humane, thoughtful, honest, trustworthy, and a man of utmost integrity. Peter, I salute you on your retirement and look forward to the

next time our paths will cross. Wishing you a joyful retirement with Paula and your lovely family.” – Ron Gass, Independent Arbitrator

“Peter Scarpato is a consummate Insurance Industry professional. A learned lawyer committed to compromise and communication. I first met Peter at a Mediation Program, where he was urging reinsurers to include mediation clauses instead of or in addition to the traditional arbitration clauses contained in reinsurance contracts. I was a strong supporter of his efforts, but also realized that although this approach was the best for the principal parties to these contracts, it would probably not be successful due to various influences including third party brokers.

My next encounter with Peter was much more personal as a newly elected member of AIRROC’s Board of Directors, I was volunteered to become the AIRROC Board of Directors liaison to our Publication Committee, which produced the renowned AIRROC Matters Industry Association publication. Peter was the Editor in Chief and Co-Chair of the committee. I shared the Co-Chair position with Peter for several years but never held a candle to his efforts and expertise in sustaining and growing the publication, which served as the platform for our current online publication. Peter is a superb writer, excellent editor and overall manager.

We were further honored when Peter joined an AIRROC member company and became a director on the Board of Directors. Through his tenure on the Board we all further benefited from his wisdom, insight and many areas of true competence.

Personally, I learned a great deal from Peter and will always view him as one of my secret mentors, as I am not sure that he knows the extent to which he influenced my leadership style and professionalism. AIRROC owes Peter a debt of gratitude for all his work toward our industry association’s continued success and his greatest legacy AIRROC Matters through whatever formats it continues to evolve.” – Leah Spivey, SVP, Head of Business Runoff, Munich Re America

“When I first met Peter in late 1985, we had both recently joined American Centennial, which had been put into run-off earlier that year. Little did we both know the path the run-off would take including major migrations of MGA data, uncovering secret overseas bank accounts, drug overdose victims, unending litigation and discovering deceased arbitrators in NY hotels! Not something you imagine while working for an insurance company. Working with Peter during such a stressful period was a pleasure. He has a great sense of humor and aside from being a true professional, he was extremely collegial and thoughtful.” – Karl Wall, CEO Global Head of P&C Run Off, Carrick Specialty Holdings

“I’ve known Peter for many years. He was a long time client of Mound Cotton. At numerous industry conferences, such as AIRROC, ARIAS, and others, I’ve had the privilege of talking to him innumerable times about arbitration, mediation, run-off

and other industry issues, as well as seeing presentations he has given. In addition, I had the pleasure of seeing him in action as an umpire in a major reinsurance dispute. In all these situations, I have been deeply impressed by his knowledge, work ethic and the serious dedication he has given to whatever he is doing. Perhaps most importantly, Peter is known throughout our industry, as an individual with the highest ethical standards, and a real gentleman. He may be retiring from the full time grind, but I'm sure his next chapter will be excellent as well." - **Lawrence Greengrass, ARIAS Certified Reinsurance arbitrator, former Officer of a Bermuda Reinsurance Co. & retired Senior Partner, Mound Cotton Wollan & Greengrass.**