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Neil Ruttenberg is a graduate of the University of North Carolina. Mr. Ruttenberg graduated with a degree in economics and won his letter as a heavy weight wrestler. After marrying the former Judith Gottfried, he earned his law degree from Columbia University.

Mr. Ruttenberg began his practice of law with the Office of the General Counsel of the Navy (OGC). He started with the then Bureau of Ships and rose to be the Principal Deputy Counsel of the Naval Ship Systems Command. Mr. Ruttenberg's primary duties with the Navy involved ship procurement with an emphasis on shipbuilder claim resolution. As Deputy Counsel he was responsible for dealing with and resolving the multi-billion dollar shipbuilding claims of the late '60s and early '70s. He did manage, however, to spend two years for the Navy in Madrid, Spain. There he dealt with service and construction contract matters for the American bases.

Upon ending his government service, Mr. Ruttenberg became a partner in the federal procurement law firm of Sellers, Conner and Cuneo, now McKenna and Cuneo. From there he founded Ruttenberg, Phelps and Slocum and later merged into a new firm that became Quinn, Racusin and Ruttenberg. His practice concentrated on federal contract administration, protests, claims preparation, resolution and, as a last resort, litigation.

In 1986, Mr. Ruttenberg founded Triple D Enterprises with his son David. Triple D owns and operates restaurants and entertainment facilities in the greater Washington, D.C. metropolitan area. At the same time he became the General Counsel of Presearch, Incorporated, a defense contractor located in Northern, Virginia.

Today Mr. Ruttenberg is a sole practitioner and continues to operate Triple D. He is also the long standing Parliamentarian of the National Contract Management Association (NCMA). Most important, and much to his pleasure, he has returned to Freedom, NY, Inc., a company he first represented in 1985. As General Counsel Mr. Ruttenberg looks forward to assisting in the renewed growth of Freedom, NY, Inc., within the context of that company's socially conscious environment and values as instilled by its founder and President, Mr. Henry Thomas.