

Christine Toretta, known as an accomplished businesswoman, philanthropist and civic leader, was born in Pittsburgh in 1957. She attended the University of Virginia earning a Bachelor of Science in Commerce. An advocate of life-long learning, she has been annually attending Harvard Business School for the past thirty years. Returning to Indiana, PA in 1983 to take on the role of Chief Financial Officer of her family's firm, S. W. Jack Drilling Co. Upon the passing of her father in 1990, she took on the roles of President and CEO. While in that role she received numerous awards and accolades.

In 1984, Christine was named the first female director of S&T Bank. Today she is in her fourth year serving as Chairman of the Board. Other board service has included a directorship of EQT Corporation, the largest producer of natural gas in the United States.

During her time in Indiana, Christine has served her community in many ways. She was the President of the Foundation for IUP and the Vice Chairman of the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education. IUP awarded Ms. Toretta a honorary Doctorate of Laws in May of 2002 when she delivered the commencement address.

Promoting women in the workplace and the community, Christine created a international retreat for female CEOs in 1994. Taking on the position of Republican National Committeewoman in 1997, she then created the Anne Anstine Excellence in Public Service, a leadership program supporting Republican women in Pennsylvania.

A prolific fundraiser, Ms. Toretta has been hailed as "the most powerful woman in PA politics". She has served as the RNC Finance co-chair in 2011-12 where she criss-crossed the nation creating a \$145 million turnaround.

Tapped to lead the Small Business Administration (SBA) Transition Team for then candidate Donald Trump, he recognized a lifetime of hard work and dedication by nominating her to become the United States of America Ambassador to Malta.

Today, she continues her commitment to advancing women. One such example is the production of the film, "Equity" in an effort to change the dialogue regarding women on Wall Street that premiered at the Sundance Film Festival in January 2016.

The culmination of all of her efforts were celebrated in December 2018 when she received the Athena International Global Award.