Louis J. Giraudo

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Mere words cannot do justice to Lou's contributions to the Firm, to the companies he has led, or to the San Francisco community. Lou joined the firm in 1993 and was a leader of the firm's corporate practice for years. And, although Lou stepped away from the active practice of law years ago to pursue his passion as an entrepreneur, he continues to be a committed and valued member of the Coblentz family, and an integral part of the fabric of the Firm. He is a true friend.

As a supremely accomplished business executive, Lou has grown his own companies, and led companies built by others. He has served as Co-Chairman of Andre Boudin Bakeries, Inc., Chairman of Lucky-Save Mart Super Markets Company, and as Executive Chairman of Pabst Brewing Company.

Lou's heart and soul have always been in his civic and charitable activities. He has served as Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the University of San Francisco, as a member of the Board of Regents of St. Ignatius College Preparatory High School, and as a trustee of the Kalmanovitz Public Charitable Trust. A life-long resident of San Francisco, he has served as President of the San Francisco Police Commission (1985-1991), President of the Public Utilities Commission (1984-1986), and President of the San Francisco Board of Permit Appeals (1982-1984). In 2005, he successfully mediated a months-long strike by workers at California Pacific Medical Center.

For the past 20 years, Lou and his wife Suzanne have been major supporters of an institution that truly reflects Lou's values. He and Suzanne were founders of De Marillac Academy, an independent, tuition-free Catholic school for the underserved children, youth and families of the Tenderloin and surrounding communities. De Marillac helps to set young people on a path to success in life that they otherwise might never have imagined.

Professional Activites

Education

- J.D., University of San Francisco (1974)
- B.A., University of San Francisco (1968)