



2019 Board of Directors

RUTH ACKER

Ruth Acker – First elected on the Board of Directors in 1994, most recently reelected in 2019. Audit Committee Chair. Past President (6/07-12/12), Vice President, Treasurer (twice), Secretary, and Membership Committee Chair. Ms. Acker continues to serve on the Board of Directors and Finance Committee.

Renaissance on the Ocean Condominium Association, Hollywood, FL, President: Ms. Acker joined the Board of Directors in 2016 of the 8.5-acre property with a \$4.6 million budget.

Other past volunteer activities include an appointment by then-Borough President Scott Stringer to serve on the Manhattan Solid Waste Advisory Board and Citywide Recycling Advisory Board. Also served on an Independent Screening Panel for NYS judges and was President and Treasurer of our NYC Co-Op.

President of Acker Ventures, Inc., a financial and management consulting firm founded in 1985 that assisted early-stage companies. Previously served as Vice President of Schuyler Investments Corp. of Newark, NJ to develop and finance \$55 million of waste-to-energy and cogeneration projects. As Coordinator of the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority's Tax-Exempt Financing Program, Ruth created the financial and strategic framework for the program and then took official action on \$1.5 billion of tax-exempt and taxable bonds to finance pollution control equipment and various independent power projects. She began her career at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York as a Foreign Exchange Trader and Analyst, and Management Information Analyst.

Education: PhD in Economics from State University of New York at Binghamton (money and banking); MBA in Finance from Baruch College, City University of New York; BA from Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, OH.

Personal: Married to Paul Heller, Managing Director, Taxation, for Royal Bank of Canada. Ruth and her husband spend a lot of our time in Florida near where their son, Michael, his wife, Clémence, and their two daughters live.