

Mr Peter G Magill

Master of the Merchant Taylors' Company 2017-2018

Career

1966 – 69 Studied for a degree and trained for a career in consulting Civil Engineering at City University and R Travers Morgan & Partners, Consultant Civil Engineers, but was unsuccessful.

1969 – 71 The Metal Box Company; Production Controller

1971 – 82 Guest Keen & Nettlefold {GKN}: Production & Materials Controller; Export Sales; Technical Sales. In 1977 sponsored on full time 18 month university course culminating in a Master of Science in Personnel Management at Aston University Business School and returned to GKN as a Personnel Manager. In the recession of the early eighties was made redundant.

1982 – 2010: PricewaterhouseCoopers {formerly Coopers & Lybrand}

Initially joined the Birmingham office as the first professional Personnel Manager within the UK firm. Finding largely a “green field” site in terms of major policies and procedures, both chaired and served on various committees and working groups within the firm, initiating both routine and radical policies.

An interest in computing led me to write the first simple HR systems for the firm.

1989 – 93 Worked extensively on the merger with C&L and Deloitte Haskins and Sells in 1990 and continued in central role thereafter.

1993 – 96 Appointed Head of Regional Human Resources, for all operations outside London

1996 – 2000 Set up a central Human Capital Service Centre – the first of its kind within the UK

2000 – 2010 Led the implementation of a major software application for the UK firm and subsequently took over the global running and coordination of this system. At the time of my retirement, the system was used by fifty five member countries within the global PwC firm, maintaining the records for some 95,000 partners and staff. This role included substantial worldwide travel over a period of 10 years.

Retired from PwC in June 2010.

Education

1956 – 66 Educated at Merchant Taylors' School Crosby.

Personal

Married to Pam for 42 years. Two children, Charles {38} and Claire {35}, both married with children.

Took up running, again, at a late age, and subsequently completed four marathons, including three in London, raising significant sums for various charities.

2006 – 2017 The Merchant Taylors' Company's nominated Governor of the Merchant Taylors' Schools, Crosby.

2009 – admitted as a member of Court of the Merchant Taylors' Company in London.

Greatly enjoy personal travel and latterly have enjoyed visiting some of the more interesting parts of the world, with more to come!

Play golf, endeavour to keep fit, enjoy photography, cooking, theatre, cinema and maintaining a number of strong and lasting friendships.

