

Tracey Ellen Benford

Tracey is a retired partner from Goldman Sachs. Tracey has 30+ years of financial services experience. As a partner since 2010, Tracey had a broad range of responsibilities in a highly complex and regulated industry. She had responsibility for Global Markets (Institutional FICC and Equity) for the Midwest, the Southwest and Canada. Tracey also was co-head of the Chicago Office across all divisions (Asset Mgmt, IBD, Global Markets). Tracey was also responsible for managing many of Goldman's largest alternative asset managers across divisions for the firm. She was also a member of the Partnership Committee and Global Executive Committee for the Global Markets Division.

Tracey joined Goldman Sachs in 1995 as an associate in FICC. She was on the Chicago corporate desk for five years and then moved to the Portfolio Credit group in New York before returning to Chicago corporate sales. Tracey was named managing director in 2005 and partner in 2010.

Prior to joining the firm, Tracey worked as an investment banking analyst at Salomon Brothers Inc.

Tracey serves on several non profit boards including the Lincoln Park Zoo (Executive Committee, Finance Chair), National Board for Team Impact (Treasurer), United States Olympic and Paralympic Foundation Board (Finance committee), Positive Coaching Alliance (co-chair Midwest Board), Uniting Voices of Chicago (Board Member, Nominating/Governance). Tracey is a member of The Chicago Network and serves on the board of directors as treasurer. Tracey is a member of the Economic Club of Chicago.

Tracey previously served on the board of the Stanford Graduate School of Business School Management Committee for three years and is a Chicago-area interviewer and admissions advisor for the Stanford Graduate School of Business.

Tracey earned an MBA from the Stanford University Graduate School of Business in 1995 and a BA, with honors, in Mathematical Methods and Economics from Northwestern University in 1991. She played basketball for Northwestern when they won the Big Ten Women's Basketball Tournament in 1990. Tracey and her husband, Ed, have two children and live in Chicago.