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**Esther L. George**

*President & CEO*

*Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City*

*Naples Beach Hotel, River of Grass Ballroom*

*Friday, February 7, 2014*



Esther L. George is president and chief executive officer of the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City and a member of the Federal Open Market Committee, which has authority over U.S. monetary policy. Prior to her appointment as president on October 1, 2011, she had been the Bank's chief operating officer since August 2009.

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George joined the Fed in 1982 and served much of her career in the Division of Supervision and Risk Management. She began by becoming a commissioned bank examiner and eventually served for ten years as the District's chief regulator. In that capacity, she was responsible for oversight of the District's 170 state-chartered member banks and nearly 1,000 bank and financial holding companies, as well as the Bank's discount window and risk management functions. She was directly involved in the Tenth District's banking supervision and discount window lending activities during the banking crisis of the 1980's and post-9/11.

She is a former chair of the Federal Reserve System's Community Banking Organizations Management Group. George also served as the acting director of the Federal Reserve's Division of Banking Supervision and Regulation at the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System in Washington, D.C., during the recent financial crisis.

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George is a native of Missouri. Beyond the Tenth Federal Reserve District, she hosts the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City's annual Jackson Hole Economic Symposium. She has also participated in the Bank for International Settlement's Financial Stability Institute programs in Lima, Abu Dhabi, Beijing and Malaysia.

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## Ambassador Clark T. Randt, Jr.

Former U.S. Ambassador to the People's Republic of China  
 Naples Beach Hotel, Everglades Dining Room  
 Friday, February 14, 2014



Clark T. Randt, Jr., holds the record for being the longest serving United States Ambassador to the People's Republic of China. Ambassador Randt was confirmed by the Senate on July 11, 2001 and departed the U.S. Embassy Beijing on January 20, 2009. He is currently President of Randt & Co. LLC, which advises firms with interests in China. He also serves on the boards of Qualcomm, UPS and Valmont Industries, Inc. and is a member of United Technologies Corporations' International Advisory Council.

Ambassador Randt is a lawyer fluent in Chinese Mandarin, who has lived and worked in Asia and traveled regularly to China on business for almost 40 years. He has resided in Asia for 40 years, including 35 years in Hong Kong and Beijing. From 1982 through 1984, he served as First Secretary and Commercial Attaché at the U.S. Embassy in Beijing. Thereafter, he lived in Hong Kong for 18 years where he was a partner with the international law firm of Shearman & Sterling, heading the firm's substantial China practice. He is a member of the New York bar and was admitted to the Hong Kong bar. In 1974, Ambassador Randt was the China representative of the National Council for United States-China Trade and, from 1968 to 1972, he served in the United States Air Force Security Service.

Ambassador Randt has a B.A. from Yale University, a Juris Doctor from the University of Michigan and attended the Harvard Law School where he was awarded the East Asian Legal Studies Traveling Fellowship.

Ambassador Randt is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and a member of the Board of Governors of the Yale-National University of Singapore liberal arts college and of the Duke Kunshan University Advisory Board. He also serves on the Board of Directors of the National Committee for U.S.-China Relations.

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1992

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U.S. Secret Service

**GENERAL KEVIN P. CHILTON**  
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**MICHAEL D. BARONE**  
January 24, 2014  
Senior Political Analyst  
*Washington Examiner*

**ESTHER L. GEORGE**  
February 7, 2014  
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**AMBASSADOR CLARK T. RANDT JR.**  
February 14, 2014  
Ambassador to the People's Republic of China, (ret.)

**BRUCE O. RIEDEL**  
February 21, 2014  
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## Guest Ticket Requests for February 14, 2014 Ambassador Clark T. Randt Jr.

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### **Bruce O. Riedel**

Senior Fellow

Brookings Institute

Naples Beach Hotel, Everglades Dining Room

Friday, February 21, 2014



Riedel was a senior advisor on South Asia and the Middle East to the last four presidents of the United States in the staff of the National Security Council at the White House. He was a negotiator at the Camp David, Shepherdstown and Wye River Israeli-Arab summits and organized President Clinton's trip to India in 2000. He was also deputy assistant secretary of defense for the Near East and South Asia at the Pentagon and a senior advisor at the North Atlantic Treaty Organization in Brussels.

In January 2009, President Barack Obama asked Riedel to chair a review of American policy towards Afghanistan and Pakistan, the results of which the president announced in a speech on March 27, 2009. In 2011, he served as an expert advisor to the prosecution of al Qaeda terrorist Omar Farooq Abdulmutallab in Detroit. In December 2011, Prime Minister David Cameron asked him to advise the United Kingdom's National Security Council on Pakistan.

Riedel is the author of *The Deadly Embrace: Pakistan, America and the Future of the global Jihad* and *The Search for al Qaeda: Its Leadership, Ideology and Future*. He is a contributor to *Which Path to Persia: Options for a New American Strategy Toward Iran* (2009) and *The Arab Awakening: America and the Transformation of the Middle East* (2011). He teaches at the Johns Hopkins University School for Advanced International Studies. He is a graduate of Brown (B.A.), Harvard (M.A.) and the Royal College of Defense Studies in London.

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Guest tickets are processed in the order received and will be sold on an available basis. The availability of guest tickets is contingent upon members notifying the Forum Club office of their inability to attend a luncheon. If space becomes available, guest tickets will be released. As always, guest tickets are non-refundable and non-returnable.

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- *Promote the highest civic, moral and ethical standards;*
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