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Hometown: New York City

Fun Fact: I enjoy fly fishing in Jackson Hole

Hobby: reading, gardening

1. How long have you been a member of WHF and what have you gained from being a member?

I joined WHF in 2002 and was a member until 2009 when I became chairman of the National Credit Union Administration. When I stepped down in 2016, I rejoined WHF. I particularly enjoy the networking opportunities through which I have formed many important professional and personal relationships over the years.

2. How do you make the best use of your day? (think techniques to enhance productivity, time management, time out, meditation/prayer, etc.)

I'm a list-maker and a multi-tasker. I'm an early riser and would get a lot done first thing before others arrived at the office. Also, to the extent possible, I adhere to schedules.

3. What do you love most about what you do?

I'm really enjoying the opportunity to use my professional expertise on boards while having free time to relax, travel, visit with friends and pursue other interests.

4. What inspires you?

I'm inspired by being able to serve worthwhile causes and by people who make a difference in the lives of others.

5. What is the best advice you've ever received?

Being advised not to be afraid to get out of my comfort zone and to accept challenges that really stretch my professional skills was wonderful advice. By taking this advice, I wound up with assignments that widened my horizons and opened new opportunities for me.

6. What are you currently reading?

I'm reading *Mrs. Lincoln's Dressmaker*, by Jennifer Chiaverini and also *Dark Money* by Jane Mayer.

7. What is your personal philosophy?

Do the right thing, even when it's difficult.

8. Who do you look up to the most and why?

People who have the courage to stand up for principles they believe in even if they are in the minority and people who work to improve the lives of others who are less fortunate.