
Speaker Bios

Edward L. Cohen—After graduating from the University of Pennsylvania, Ed received his J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center in 1971. He is now a principal of Lerner Enterprises, a private real estate development and investment company in the Washington, DC area, and executive vice president, secretary and treasurer of Lerner Corporation, its management subsidiary. He also is a principal owner and vice chairman of the Washington Nationals Baseball Club. Prior to being involved in baseball and real estate, he was a lawyer specializing in nuclear energy matters, and while attending law school, taught fifth grade at Shadd Elementary School in Washington, DC.

Robert K. Goldman—A cum laude Penn graduate, Bob received a Fulbright Fellowship to study law and economics in Uruguay from July 1967 to 1968 and his J.D. in 1971 from the University of Virginia Law School, where he was editor-in-chief of the Virginia Journal of International Law. He is professor of law and Louis C. James Scholar at American University Washington College of Law. Faculty director of the War Crimes Research Office and co-director of WCL’s Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, he has served on numerous State Department and United Nations human rights and refugee displacement commissions, particularly in South and Central America.

Diane Antonelli Herr—After receiving her bachelor’s and master’s degrees at Penn, Diane began a 50-year career as a teacher in the Philadelphia public school system and still loves it. Among her many accomplishments, she created a Kid-Friendly Shakespeare program that she directed in elementary schools in Philadelphia and the suburbs. Her instruction included having her students on stage performing scenes from the plays as she watched with delight as students in kindergarten through eighth grade used Shakespearean language. As a volunteer, she is a National Park Service interpretive guide at Independence National Historical Park in Philadelphia.

Rene Chalfin Kozloff—A graduate of Penn’s School of Nursing, with a master’s degree in anthropology and a Ph.D. in medical anthropology from the Catholic University of America College of Arts and Sciences, Rene is the founder of KAI Research, Inc. and a senior clinical research scientist. She has managed both the National Institutes of Health and biopharmaceutical research programs for adult and pediatric studies. As Principal Investigator, she has led the review of protocols and monitored and reported on each study as it progressed through its life cycle with particular attention to enrollment, retention and adverse event and serious adverse event reporting.

Howard Marks—A cum laude graduate of Penn’s Wharton School, with a master’s degree in accounting and marketing from the Booth School of Business at the University of Chicago, where he received the George Hay Brown Prize, Howard founded Oaktree Capital Management, L.P. in April 1995. Oaktree is a global, credit-based alternative investment management firm. An emeritus trustee of Penn, he chaired the investment board from 2000 to 2010. He is chairman of the board of trustees of the Royal Drawing School, a member of the investment committees of Metropolitan Museum of Art and Edmund J. Safra Foundation and a trustee of the Metropolitan Museum.

Andrea Mitchell—After earning a degree in English literature at Penn, Andrea began a career that has taken her throughout the world, coverage of every presidential campaign for NBC News since 1980 and coverage of five presidents, Congress and foreign policy. She is the veteran chief foreign affairs correspondent for NBC News and the host of “Andrea Mitchell Reports,” an hour of political and foreign policy news. Immediate past vice chair of Penn’s board of trustees, she now chairs the Board of Overseers of the School of Arts and Sciences. She received in 2015 the MATRIX Award from Women in Communications as one of the “Women Who Change the World.”

As moderator of this distinguished panel, Edward C. “Ted” Lingenheld brings long experience as an independent school educator, administrator and consultant to his role today. Ted earned his bachelor’s degree in international relations from the University of Pennsylvania. He received his master’s in education, administration and supervision from Rutgers University in 1982. He is the founder and managing partner of School Strategies and Solutions, a consulting firm based in Sarasota, FL. He is a member of the Country Day School Headmasters Association.