



James H. Wooten, Jr.

James H. Wooten, Jr. retired in 2012, as the Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary of Illinois Tool Works Inc. (ITW), a Fortune 200 Company with 14.5 billion dollars in revenues annually. James began his career with ITW in 1988 as a Senior Attorney providing legal counsel to the Company's decentralized business units around the world. He was elected in 2005 to the position of Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary and was promoted to Senior Vice President in 2006. He was responsible for legal, environmental and safety, risk management and governmental affairs, managing an annual legal budget in excess of \$40 million dollars.

Prior to joining ITW, James was in private practice with the law firm of Gardner, Carton and Douglas, which is now a part of Drinker, Biddle & Reath LLP. Prior to entering the legal profession, James was a Chicago Police Officer where he obtained the rank of Sergeant.

James holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminal Justice from the University of Illinois and a Juris Doctor degree from the University of Chicago.

James is a member of the American and Chicago Bar Associations, Executive Leadership Council (ELC) and The Black Corporate Directors Association. He is a Board Director of Hyatt Hotels Corporation, Morae Legal, LLC., Lurie Children's Hospital, Window to the World Communications (WTTW), National Merit Scholarship Association, and Congo Square Theater.

James is an avid golfer and a charter member of The Black Jacket Golf Association. He attends Apostolic Faith Church and is married to Gertrude Wooten. They have one adult son, James.