LEADERSHIP IN THE NATION’S INTEREST
AWARDS DINNER

NOVEMBER 12, 2019
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WASHINGTON, DC
RECEPTION: 5:15 – 6:00 PM
DINNER: 6:00 – 8:00 PM
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The Leadership in the Nation’s Interest Award recognizes corporate executives who lead their companies with integrity and purpose, and champion policies for the common good. CED is pleased to present these Awards to Jim Clerkin and John B. Wood.
HONORING

JIM CLERKIN
President & CEO
Moët Hennessy North America

JOHN B. WOOD
CEO & Chairman of the Board
Telos Corporation
AGENDA
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2019

5:15 – 6:00 p.m.
COCKTAIL RECEPTION

6:00 – 6:05 p.m.
OPENING REMARKS
BERNARD C. BAILEY
President
Committee for Economic Development

6:05 – 6:10 p.m.
INTRODUCTION OF JIM CLERKIN
President & CEO
Moët Hennessy North America

6:10 – 6:25 p.m.
REMARKS BY JIM CLERKIN

6:25 – 6:55 p.m.
DINNER

6:55 – 7:00 p.m.
INTRODUCTION OF JOHN B. WOOD
CEO & Chairman of the Board
Telos Corporation

7:00 – 7:15 p.m.
REMARKS BY JOHN B. WOOD

7:15 – 7:30 p.m.
DESSERT

7:30 – 7:55 p.m.
FIRESIDE CHAT WITH JIM CLERKIN & JOHN B. WOOD
(Facilitated by Bernard C. Bailey)

7:55 – 8:00 p.m.
CLOSING REMARKS
Jim Clerkin is President & CEO of Moët Hennessy North America.

Over his 35-year career, Clerkin has worked for many prominent companies in the wine and spirits industry. In his current role, Clerkin is part of Moët Hennessy’s Global Executive Team, with responsibility for the company’s portfolio of global brands such as Hennessy, Moët & Chandon, Dom Pérignon, Veuve Clicquot, and Belvedere, across the USA, Canada and Mexico. He joined Moët Hennessy in 2008, and prior to his current role, he held the role of Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer at Moët Hennessy USA.

Clerkin, a CED Trustee, began his career in Ireland, where he rose through the ranks at Guinness, to ultimately become an executive member of the Board of Directors. In 1994, Grand Metropolitan recruited him to head its Irish wines and spirits division. Following his tenure at Grand Metropolitan, Diageo appointed him as EVP and President, assuming responsibility for Diageo’s wine and spirits division in the Western region of the United States, and consecutively, he joined Allied Domecq in 2003, to lead their business in the Americas as President for North America and Canada, reporting to the Global CEO.

He currently resides in New York City, and is committed to supporting various philanthropic causes both in the US and abroad. Clerkin is the Chairman of Co-operation Ireland in the US, which is a nonprofit that promotes peace and a sustained reconciliation in his home country of Ireland and also serves as a Board Member at the Royal Academy America, a globally recognized nonprofit that promotes the arts and artists through exhibitions, education, and debate.

Wine Enthusiast Magazine recently announced Clerkin as the winner of the “2017 Person of the Year” award. This recognition, which celebrates individuals that have contributed significantly to the success of the wine and spirits industry, was presented at the magazine’s 18th annual Wine Star Awards.
John B. Wood is CEO & Chairman of the Board of Telos Corporation.

In his current roles, Wood orchestrates Telos’ support of corporations and government agencies worldwide in cyber security, secure mobility and identity management. With the company since 1992, Wood is a leading voice on bringing together the private and public sectors to address cyber security issues. He is a frequent speaker on cyber security at industry and government events, and testified at a congressional committee hearing on “Cybersecurity: What the Federal Government Can Learn from the Private Sector.”

Under his leadership, Telos offerings have become the official messaging system of record for the Department of Defense and the database of record for the US Intelligence Community.

Wood, a CED Trustee, was the founding chairman of the Loudoun County (Va.) CEO Cabinet, part of the Loudoun County Chamber of Commerce, and served for five years as chairman of Loudoun County’s Economic Development Commission. In 2014, he was appointed by Gov. Terry McAuliffe to serve on the Virginia Cyber Security Commission. He also serves on the boards of the Northern Virginia Technology Council and the Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts.

In 2012, Wood was named Chairman of the Board of Directors for the Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors (TAPS), a national organization that provides care and support for the families of America’s fallen military heroes. He also served 10 years on the Board of Directors of Project Rebirth, a nonprofit organization that serves veterans and first responders affected by tragic loss and celebrates the resiliency of the human spirit. Since 2011, Telos has provided funding for Trout Unlimited’s (TU) Veterans Service Partnership (VSP), a program that helps the veteran community find hope and healing through fly fishing and conservation.

Wood is the recipient of several industry awards, including Washingtonian Magazine’s “Tech Titans” in 2011 and the SmartCEO Cornerstone Award in 2015. Before joining Telos in 1992, Wood worked on Wall Street after earning his degree in finance and computer science at Georgetown University.
CONGRATULATIONS

Diageo North America congratulates Moët Hennessy’s President and CEO, Jim Clerkin, recipient of the Committee for Economic Development’s 2019 Leadership in the Nation’s Interest Award! You are deserving of this recognition for your contributions to our industry and the community.

DIAGEO NORTH AMERICA

Jim, congratulations on being this year’s honoree for CED’s Leadership in the Nation’s Interest Award. The values recognized in this award are what drive success in business and in life. Best wishes as you continue to impact lives.

TOM COLE
Republic National Distributing Company

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations, John, on receiving CED’s Leadership in the Nation’s Interest Award. Through your leadership of Telos and your dedication as a community philanthropist and volunteer, you are making our world a better place. Your Wolf Trap family is proud to join in saluting you tonight!

WOLF TRAP FOUNDATION FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

My sincere and warm congratulations, Jim, for receiving this well-deserved award honoring your outstanding leadership. We are grateful to you for your forward-thinking and inclusive nature. You are truly a change-maker and we are thrilled to follow your lead as a force for good.

DEBORAH BRENNER
Women of the Vine & Spirits

John, Congratulations on the well-deserved honor. Your work and your service to your community reflect the best of Jesuit education. We are proud to count you as a Son of Xavier.

JACK RASLOWSKY
Xavier High School

On behalf of Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors and our more than 90,000 military loved ones, thank you, John Wood, for your innovative, selfless and unwavering support for our families and our mission. Your tenure as Chairman of the TAPS Board has brought unprecedented growth and stability and we are so fortunate to have your counsel and guidance.

BONNIE CARROLL
TAPS Founder and President
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