

## IRVING WEISER NAMED TO BUSH FOUNDATION BOARD WILL ADD EXPERTISE IN PARTNERSHIPS AND LEADERSHIP

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**Saint Paul, Minn. (March 11, 2008)**—The Bush Foundation Board of Directors named Irving Weiser of Minneapolis as a new director at its March meeting. He is the former CEO and chairman of RBC Dain Rauscher, now RBC Wealth Management. Between 1985 and his retirement in 2006, he'd also served the company as its president.



"At this point in the Bush Foundation's implementation of a very significant shift in our strategic vision, we are extremely pleased to have Irv Weiser join our governing board," said Kathy Tunheim, current Board chair. "He brings a wealth of experience as an organizational and civic leader; he is also a thought leader on issues of how partnerships can tackle our most intractable challenges. We are honored to have him join our work in philanthropy."

Weiser is active in the community, currently serving as the chairman of the board of the United Way of the Greater Twin Cities and on the Guthrie Theater Foundation. Past local board service includes the Carlson School of Management at the University of Minnesota, Children's Home Society, Temple Israel, Minnesota Business Partnership and the Minneapolis Institute of Arts. Nationally, Weiser has served on the boards of The Jewish Museum in New York City and the Securities Industry Association, as well as committees of the New York Stock Exchange. In 1999, *CityBusiness* named Weiser as one of 100 Unsung Heroes.

"I do a lot of work in the community and have admired the work of the Bush Foundation and its leadership in many areas," Weiser said. "It is a good place from which to learn and contribute to the growth of the region."

Weiser had been RBC Dain Rauscher's corporate counsel while a partner at the law firm of Dorsey & Whitney. Earlier in his career, Weiser was an adjunct professor of law at the William Mitchell College of Law in Saint Paul.

His bachelor's degree is from State University of New York at Buffalo; he received a law degree with honors from Brooklyn Law School.

(Weiser's photo is available at 651/379-2238 or [vtirrel@bushfoundation.org](mailto:vtirrel@bushfoundation.org).)

The **Bush Foundation** was established in 1953 by 3M executive Archibald Granville Bush and his wife Edyth. In 2007, the Foundation made grants of approximately \$40 million to support programs and efforts to sustain communities in Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota. With a mission to improve the quality of life in this region, the Foundation aims to be a catalyst to shape vibrant communities by investing in courageous and effective leadership that significantly strengthens and improves the well-being of the region's people.