

# Chairman Priebus Appoints Lewis M. Eisenberg RNC Finance Chairman

**WASHINGTON** – Today, RNC Chairman Reince Priebus announced that Lewis M. Eisenberg will succeed Ray Washburne as RNC Finance Chairman. In his new role, Eisenberg will oversee the RNC's fundraising operations.

Eisenberg, who has served before as Finance Chairman, also served previously as National Finance Chairman for McCain Palin Victory 2008 and as Co-Chairman for the 2004 Convention Host Committee. He currently serves as a senior adviser for Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co. In taking over as Finance Chairman, Eisenberg will be transitioning out of his role at KKR.

"The 2016 cycle is already underway, and it brings with it a substantial financial responsibility for the RNC," said Chairman Priebus. "As a former RNC Finance Chairman, Lew understands the task ahead, and his wealth of experience in business, investment, politics, and civic life will help him lead the RNC and our finance department to achieve yet another record-breaking cycle of fundraising. I look forward to working with Lew to raise the resources needed to send a Republican to the White House, secure our majorities in both houses of Congress, and elect more Republicans up and down the ballot.

"I also want to thank outgoing Finance Chairman Ray Washburne for his dedicated work and successful tenure. The RNC not only outraised the DNC, but we also beat our own records time and again this cycle. That allowed us to give unprecedented support to our candidates, who won impressive and historic victories across the country last November."

"I'm honored that Reince has asked me to return to the RNC as Finance Chairman," Lew Eisenberg said. "I look forward to the challenge and the opportunities ahead and am ready for the hard work that winning this election will require. The RNC provided invaluable resources to Republican candidates last cycle, and in order to win in 2016, we're going to have to do even more to ensure that our nominee has the best infrastructure, field program, and data operation this party has ever seen."

## **LEWIS M. EISENBERG**

Lew Eisenberg has enjoyed a successful career in investments for nearly 50 years, including serving as general partner and co-head of Goldman Sachs' equity division, Co-Founder and Co-Chairman of Granite Capital International Group, co-founder and board member of Granum Communications and most recently as a Senior Advisor of Kohlberg Kravis & Roberts. Mr. Eisenberg also served on the board of ITC, an NYSE listed company.

Mr. Eisenberg has long been active in civic life, having led the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey as its chairman from 1994 until 2002. He was a founding board member of the Lower Manhattan Development Corporation (LMDC) following the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks. Lew chaired both the Victims' Families and Transportation Advisory Councils for LMDC until April 2003. He also served as Co-Chairman of the 2004 New York City Host Committee, responsible for raising the funds needed to showcase New York City as it welcomed the Republican National Convention.

A longtime participant in politics, Mr. Eisenberg has held key leadership positions in numerous campaigns and political efforts as a fundraiser. He served as New Jersey State Chairman for the Bush campaigns in both 2000 and 2004, Finance Chairman of the Republican National Committee from 2002 to 2004, National Co-Chairman of John McCain 2008, National Finance Chairman of McCain-Palin Victory in 2008 and Florida Co-Chairman for Romney for President in 2012. Lew chairs the RJC's Nominating Committee and is a National Council Co-Chair of AEI.

Lew and his wife, Judy, are also engaged members of the philanthropic community. Lew received the prestigious Herbert Lehman Humanitarian Award from the AJC and has been recognized by the Boys and Girls Clubs of Newark (NJ), Monmouth University, the National Conference for Community and Justice in New Jersey and the New Jersey Alliance for Action for his service to others.

Mr. Eisenberg served on the boards of the St. Barnabas Health Care System, the Monmouth Medical Center Foundation and New York Service for the Handicapped. He was awarded an Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters Degree from the Rabbinical College of America and an Honorary Doctor of Laws Degree from Monmouth University. Lew is an emeritus member of the Advisory Council of the Samuel Johnson Graduate School of Management at Cornell University, where he received his MBA in 1966. Lew received his BA from Dartmouth College in 1964.

The Eisenbergs have three daughters and ten grandchildren.