Francesco Galesi

Principal/Chief Executive Officer

Founded Galesi Group in 1969

Profile

In 1969, Mr. Francesco Galesi purchased and transformed surplus military depots in upstate New York and converted them into major Industrial Parks. The conversion of these properties, totaling over 8 million square feet, subsequently led Mr. Galesi into the warehousing and distribution business. His visions led to further corporate growth and diversification with the acquisition and development of additional real estate holdings, commercial sites, medical/healthcare offices, mixed use facilities, and multi-family communities. Today the Galesi Group owns and manages a diverse real estate portfolio in excess of 11 million square feet and has ownership in E&B Natural Resource Management Corporation, an oil and gas company.

Mr. Galesi's work has impacted states coast to coast, earning him the Presidential "Award of Achievement" for his contribution to the economic development of the United States.

Education

Veteran, US Marine Corps Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey

David M. Buicko

Chief Operating Officer, Galesi Group President, Galesi Management Corporation

David M. Buicko was appointed Chief Operating Officer (COO) of the Galesi Group in 1986 and has since served in that capacity. He is responsible for the day to day operations of all the company's operating divisions including commercial real estate, industrial parks, distribution and logistics and the exploration and production of natural resources.

Mr. Buicko has participated throughout the country in the acquisition and development of over 11,000,000 sq. ft. of office and industrial real estate, in addition to over 20,000 apartment units. He also serves as President of Distribution Unlimited, Inc., one of the largest third-party logistics companies in the Northeast.

Since 1985, he has been active in developing Brownfield projects including former military facilities as well as inner city sites. In 2010, he was recognized by the New York League of Conservation Voters for the construction of a 250,000 sq. ft. gold-level LEED certified building on a contaminated manufacturing site in Schenectady, NY.

Prior to his appointment as COO, Mr. Buicko served from 1982 in a variety of roles at the Galesi Group, including Chief Financial Officer. From 1975 to 1982, he was a Certified Public Accountant for C.L. Marvin & Co., P.C. where his primary responsibilities included mergers and acquisitions, corporate tax and security work.

Mr. Buicko's active role in the community has merited a number of honorable recognitions. In 1996 and again in 2006, Mr. Buicko was named Executive of the Year by Schenectady County Chamber of Commerce for his instrumental role in environmentally friendly economic development. In 2008, Mr. Buicko was honored by the Albany Times Union as "Dozen Who Make a Difference" in the Capital Region. In 2012, Mr. Buicko received the Capital District YMCA 2012 President's Award for helping strengthen the community in downtown Schenectady and was also named as "Executive of the Year" in The Business Review's 2012 Class of Achievers. Most recently Mr. Buicko received the 2014 Schenectady Foundation Hero Award for Leadership and Service.

Mr. Buicko is a member of a variety of local, professional, economic development and charitable organizations. He is a Director and past Chairman of the Center for Economic Growth, a regional economic development organization, and a member of the Capital Region Leaders' Forum. In 2013 Mr. Buicko was selected by Governor Cuomo to serve as a member of the Capital Regional Economic Development Council. He also serves on the board of numerous privately held companies in the real estate industry and is presently Chairman of Green Earth Technologies, a publicly traded company.

He is a graduate of Siena College (BBA/Accounting) and a Certified Public Accountant.