

Kathleen M. Camilli

Kathleen Camilli is one of the nation's leading economists, highly regarded by investors across the world. Her insights and forecasting track record have helped corporations avert financial disaster and preserve capital for decades. She brings gravitas to the boardroom, plus a wealth of money management and operating experience. Her insights are amplified by her work for institutional investors, boards and companies. Ethical, discreet, and objective, Kathleen is a valued board member.

Given her deep understanding of economics, Kathleen is seeking boards in financial services, manufacturing, North American energy, and financial technology where her insights, pragmatic views and financial acumen can be put to use. In June, 2015, she joined the board of AGF Investment Management (Toronto-listed), one of the oldest independent investment management firms in Canada with global operations in London, Dublin, and Hong Kong. Since 2012, she serves on the board of the Unifirst Corporation (NYSE) the third largest uniform rental company in the US with facilities in Europe, South America and Canada. With a passion for the intricacies of the manufacturing process, Kathleen would not accept the Board seat until she visited one of Unifirst laundry facilities to understand how garments got from client to laundry and back. She is a highly regarded member of the Audit and Compensation Committees; she has provided insights on the international sphere. Colleagues bemused by her preference for nuts and bolts companies quickly see the value. "Quite simply, I'm interested in companies that make things, because they are the ones who drive the economy, and create the jobs." She is also a strategic advisor to Tactile Finance, an early stage tech start-up in NYC's Silicon Alley, and Pink Petro, a global platform company located in Houston, TX. Kathleen was an independent director on the NASDAQ-listed MassBank board (2004-2008). On the ALCO committee, she helped the CEO manage the banks portfolio, and warned the CEO of impending recession, a full year in advance of the crisis, enabling the Board to sell the bank at full value with shareholders intact. She was also a member of the Insurance, and Nominating and Governance committees. Kathleen has received the designation of Board Leadership Fellow with the National Association of Corporate Directors.

Kathleen has served on many not-for-profit boards, including the National Association of Business Economics (2004-2007), National Council on Economic Education (2004-2006), and the Epiphany School Foundation (2000-2006). She is currently on the Board of Windham Mountain SKITA, an organization that is preparing young athletes to compete nationally and internationally (Olympics) representing the USA. She is active in organizations such as the Forecasters Club, National Association of Corporate Directors, the Conference Board, University of Delaware's Governance Centers, KMPG's Audit Institute, the Asia Society, and the Women's Global Forum (Davos).



Kathleen founded Camilli Economics in 2004, to address the growing need for independent economic analysis after the passage of Sarbanes Oxley. Kathleen is a sought after speaker, and regularly speaks to associations of CEOs, CFOs, COO's, bankers, corporate treasurers, and other financial professionals. Her expertise and advice are increasingly in demand with the current business and political vagaries. Plus the "Washington Speakers Bureau",

“Leading Authorities” and other public speakers bureaus receive consistent praise. She has appeared on CNN, CNBC, and The News Hour with Jim Lehrer, Nightly Business Report, and Bloomberg Business News where her views are highly regarded internationally by investors. Partnering with the Center for Information Mapping at the Parson’s School of Design, in 2005, she formed Economic Mapping, LLC. This entrepreneurial initiative was founded to mine and map economic data using advanced mapping technology. Similar to its use for consumer businesses, Kathleen is expanding her economic mapping company to utilize Big Data concepts via the NYU/Berkeley Innovation Lab.

Earlier in her career, Kathleen was the US economist for Zurich-based Credit Suisse Asset Management providing insight on the US economy to the firm’s investment professionals overseeing \$312 billion in fixed income and equity assets globally. She was the Chief Economist of Tucker Anthony Sutro (1996-2001). She reported directly to the CEO, writing and speaking weekly to the firm’s institutional and high net worth clients. From 1990 to 1995 she led the research and sales effort for the global money management and economic consulting firm, MFR, Inc. She also worked as a money market economist at Drexel Burnham Lambert, and at Chase Manhattan Bank, where she began doing televised interviews. Kathleen worked at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, where she was responsible for the reserves forecasting unit. This job, key to the liquidity of the banking system, was demanding given the time constraints, and need for multiple manual calculations. At the time she started, Kathleen was only 24yrs old.

Named by the Wall Street Journal one of the top five economic forecasters, Kathleen called the turning point of the tech bubble in 1999 and 2000, and the ensuing recession in 2001, which earned her a number one performing forecaster by the WSJ and Businessweek, and numerous other accolades. Institutional Investor ranked her top Fed watcher in 1992. In 2001, she was recognized as an “Outstanding Alumni” of NYU. She is the author of several articles, including “Reserves Forecasting for Open Market Operations” published in the Federal Reserve Bank of New York Quarterly Review in 1986 and still cited.

With an M.B.A. in Finance and an M.A. in French Studies from New York University Kathleen completed her degrees while working full time at the Federal Reserve. She received her B.A. degrees in Economics (cum laude) and French (magna cum laude) from Douglass College, Rutgers University. Her undergraduate thesis was written in French on France’s Economic Planning. She is fluent in French, and studied at Universite de Laval, Quebec, Canada and Universite de Paris III, IV, VII France.

Kathleen is an avid skier, sailor, and swimmer. She is a voracious reader of non-fiction and a life long learner. She and her husband Peter, a liquidity, funding, and risk expert, reside in New York City. They have two teenage sons, a college junior and competitive rower, and a college freshman, and competitive alpine skier.

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