



GARY HUNT

Mr. Gary Hunt is an accomplished leader with a distinguished record in public service, entrepreneurship and technical excellence. He brings over two (2) decades of high-impact leadership across government, manufacturing and aviation sectors.

A recipient of a Government Scholarship, Mr. Hunt began his professional journey in the field of aerospace technology. He is a CAA Certified Avionics Maintenance Engineer, with specialisation in Communications, Navigation and Radar Systems. His technical foundation and disciplined approach have informed his leadership style and strategic thinking throughout his career.

In 1999, Mr. Hunt was named Ernst & Young Entrepreneur of the Year, in recognition of his trailblazing work as founder of Radical Designs Ltd. – a leading enterprise in apparel manufacturing, branding and digital printing across the Caribbean. He later expanded his business ventures with The Print Shop Ltd., continuing his mission to empower local talent, promote regional industry and drive creative innovation.

Mr. Hunt has also served the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago with distinction as a Member of Parliament and Minister of Sport, where he led national initiatives in youth development and infrastructure. Later he served as a Director of InvesTT in the Ministry of Trade and Industry, reinforcing his longstanding commitment to economic diversification and sustainable growth.

A lifelong martial artist and mentor, Mr. Hunt holds the rank of 8th Dan Black Belt and the title of Professor in the prestigious Purple Dragon Don Jitsu Ryu, a testament to his discipline, leadership and dedication to community development.



PATRICIA DINDYAL

Ms. Patricia Dindyal is a highly respected Attorney-at-Law with over forty-six (46) years of experience practising in civil law. Known for her unwavering commitment to justice, she has consistently advocated for members of society who are unable to afford legal representation, handling matters from the Magistrates' Court all the way to the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council in the United Kingdom, often on a pro bono basis.

Her areas of legal expertise include insurance law, personal injury and medical negligence. Driven by a deep sense of fairness and legal integrity, Ms. Dindyal has championed causes for the underserved, personally taking several cases to the Privy Council when justice demanded it, despite financial limitations of her clients.

For the past ten (10) years, she has served as an Associate Tutor at the Hugh Wooding Law School, specialising in Probate Practice and Procedure. Her role in legal education reflects her dedication to shaping future generations of legal professionals with a grounding in ethics, procedure and professionalism.

Ms. Dindyal's passion for rule-based compliance and governance is well-known. She is committed to upholding the law and best practices, even when doing so challenges societal norms or entrenched positions. She has brought this principled approach to several leadership roles. Notably, she served on the Media Complaints Authority, first as a Council Member and later as its chairperson.

In the Law Association of Trinidad and Tobago, Ms. Dindyal has held several key executive positions, including Secretary, Vice President and Treasurer. She also served on the Association's Disciplinary Committee and has been a consistent advocate for Continuing Legal Education for attorneys-at-law.

Regionally, Ms. Dindyal held the position of Treasurer for the Organization of Commonwealth Caribbean Bar Associations, further reflecting her commitment to legal development and governance across jurisdictions.

Ms. Dindyal brings a unique blend of experience, integrity, and legal acumen to every organisation she serves. With a proven ability to implement legal principles and regulatory best practices, she ensures compliance, effective governance and practical solutions for seamless operations. Her dedication to justice and excellence continues to inspire both her peers and the broader legal community.



SHIVAL MAHARAJ

Mr. Shival Maharaj is a visionary entrepreneur and seasoned executive with over twenty-five (25) years of leadership experience across multiple industries. As the Founder and Managing Director of SM Group International Ltd., Mr. Maharaj has built a reputation for launching and scaling high-performing businesses in sectors ranging from events and entertainment to construction, hospitality, transport, equipment rental and quarrying.

With a career defined by innovation, strategic insight and operational excellence, Mr. Maharaj has consistently delivered strong business outcomes while nurturing dynamic, cross-functional teams. His entrepreneurial journey began with All Events Lighting Systems and S. Maharaj Equipment Services Ltd., where he developed a robust portfolio of services supporting both public and private sector clients. Through his leadership, SM Group International has emerged as a trusted regional partner known for its reliability, creativity and results-driven culture.

A graduate of the University of the West Indies, Mr. Maharaj holds a Bachelor of Science in Government with minors in Human Resource Management and International Relations, along with a Certificate in Public Administration. His deep understanding of human capital, organisational development and stakeholder engagement – combined with his extensive operational background – has enabled him to bridge strategic vision with on-the-ground execution.

Mr. Maharaj is widely recognised for his ability to navigate complex markets, build lasting partnerships and foster sustainable growth. His strong grasp of regional socio-political dynamics, along with his passion for empowering people and communities, continues to shape his legacy as a transformative leader in the Caribbean business landscape.



ROXANE DE FREITAS

Ms. Roxane De Freitas retired from Massy Integrated Retail as the Senior Vice President (SVP) Strategic Business Development in January 2025. Prior to that, for a period of four (4) years she held the position of Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Massy Stores Trinidad, the leading supermarket chain in the Caribbean with direct responsibility for its Trinidad and Tobago operations with twenty-three (23) stores and over two thousand (2000) employees. She was also a director of the Integrated Retail Portfolio board, a subsidiary of Massy Holdings that oversaw the retail and distribution businesses across the Caribbean and the United States of America.

Prior to Massy Stores, Ms. De Freitas has had an extensive and successful career as a Leadership Executive with Unilever. At Unilever Caribbean Limited (formerly Lever Brothers), she held the position of Marketing Director Caribbean, Regional North Exports Director and was a member of the Unilever Greater Caribbean Board. Roxane was the first female Managing Director of Unilever Caribbean Limited where she served for five (5) years up to August 2012 when she was expatriated to the Head Office in Puerto Rico.

In June 2024, Ms. De Freitas was appointed to the Board of Scotia Group Jamaica Limited and in September 2024 she was appointed to Scotia Jamaica Life Insurance Company Limited (SJLIC). She is a Member of SGJ Audit & Conduct Review Committee, SJLIC Audit & Conduct Review Committee and the Investment, Loan and Risk Committee. In 2025, Ms. De Freitas was appointed Chair of the Scotia Group Jamaica Limited Risk Committee.

Ms. De Freitas also served on the Board of Scotia Bank Trinidad and Tobago from February 2009 and retired in 2023 after thirteen (13) years of service. In December 2017, she assumed the role of Chairperson of the Scotiabank Trinidad and Tobago Foundation, a registered charitable organisation that manages Scotiabank's philanthropic activities in Trinidad and Tobago. She is also a past board member of the Trinidad and Tobago Chamber of Commerce.

Ms. De Freitas is a graduate of the University of Western Ontario, Canada, with a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration.



FRASER THORNTON

Mr. Fraser Thornton is a highly experienced leader in the international spirits industry with a proven track record in both executive and more recently, non-executive roles. He also has a strong understanding and knowledge of Angostura specifically and the Caribbean rum market more generally having previously served on the Board of Angostura and as the CEO of Lascelles de Mercado in Jamaica.

A qualified Scottish Chartered Accountant, Mr. Thornton began his spirits industry career when he left Price Waterhouse corporate finance practice to join Burn Stewart Distillers plc in 1996. He held a number of regional commercial roles over the following years before his appointment as Sales and Marketing director in 2002, and subsequently Managing Director in 2006. Mr. Thornton subsequently assumed an oversight role for many of the 'drinks assets' held under CL Financial ownership from 2007 onwards, and served both as interim CEO and interim Chair of Angostura for a period of time in 2009/2010 before moving to Jamaica to take up the role of CEO of Lascelles de Mercado.

In 2013, Mr. Thornton returned to Scotland to oversee the sale of Burn Stewart Distillers to the South African based Distell Group, having successfully completed the breakup and sale of the Lascelles group of businesses earlier that year. He continued to build his career and served in a number of senior leadership roles within Distell. His final role in Distell was as the Managing Director of the international business unit which comprised a portfolio of spirits and wine brands and a number of in-market distribution, marketing and production units before stepping away from full time executive life in 2021.

Over recent years, he has built a portfolio of non-executive directorships which includes Scottish Golf and most recently, Rangers Football Club. He also continues to have an involvement in the Scotch Whisky Industry serving as the Chair of the Port of Leith Distillery and as Vice Chair of The Keepers Of The Quaich.



JENNIFER FREDERICK

Ms. Frederick is a distinguished governance and audit professional with over thirty (30) years of strategic leadership experience in both public and private sector environments. She brings proven expertise in corporate governance, compliance, internal audit, and regulatory alignment, with a strong track record of strengthening board oversight and accountability.

Her career includes executive roles such as Director of Compliance, Controls & Internal Audit and Corporate Secretary at CL Financial Limited, where she led the implementation of enterprise-wide governance frameworks across subsidiaries. She has also served as Corporate Secretary at Angostura Holdings Limited and held senior compliance and audit positions within key public institutions, including the Integrity Commission and the Auditor General's Department of Trinidad and Tobago. Notably, she received commendation for her work during a fellowship with the Office of the Auditor General of Canada.

Ms. Frederick currently serves as Chairman of the Board at Colonial Life Insurance Company (Trinidad) Limited, Premium Security Services Limited, and Process Energy (Trinidad) Limited. She is also a board member of Caribbean Nitrogen Company Limited and Nitrogen 2000 Unlimited Company.

She holds the FCCA designation as a Fellow of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (UK) and is a Chartered Accountant (CA) with the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Trinidad and Tobago. In addition, she earned a B.Sc. in Natural Sciences and a Diploma in Education from the University of the West Indies. Ms. Frederick has also completed specialized training with INTOSAI and advanced professional development in governance, forensic auditing, and risk management through institutions including the World Bank, the Canadian Comprehensive Auditing Foundation (CCAF), and Zwaig Consulting. She brings a deep understanding of financial stewardship, regulatory compliance and ethical governance.

Ms. Frederick is an active member of the Anglican Church in the Diocese of Trinidad and Tobago, having served as a Trustee of the Diocese and Chairman of the Diocesan Board of Finance from 2014 to 2023. She currently serves as Chairman of a registered Non-Profit Organization that supports the Church in executing its charitable activities.