

Kenneth Richard Page

The TEP (the Trustees of the Estate and Property of the Diocese) was founded in 1877 to receive, manage and hold in trust the property and assets of the diocese and its institutions. In 1943 the TEP founded the DIT (the Diocesan Investment Trust) to, among other services, provide professional investment management services for parishes in the diocese. The joint trusteeships of the TEP/DIT support the foundation of good management and Christian stewardship on which the ministry and mission of our diocese stands.

Ken Page has served as the Legal Counsel, Secretary and Trustee of the TEP/DIT through the episcopates of five bishops - Horace Donegan, Paul Moore, Richard Grein, Mark Sisk and Andrew Dietsche. This year we celebrate his service to our diocese in this critically important self-offering over a full half century.

Ken was born in Rockville Center, New York, and was raised there and in Centerport on Long Island. As a boy he and his brothers were explorers of the woods on Long Island, and their occasionally discovered long-abandoned Native American campgrounds. Their grandfather taught them to fish, and their uncles took them clamming, and fishing has remained a passion for Ken all his life. He has gone tarpon fishing off Sanibel Island in Florida, Salmon fishing in Canada, and Marlin fishing in Panama. In a family which loved and played board games, Ken was recognized as the family master of the ancient Chinese game of Go. He was a Scout, a lay archeologist, a fisherman of renown, and is manifestly a devoted husband to Debbie as well as his children and grandchildren. A member of the Church of the Heavenly Rest in Manhattan, and Saint Mark's Church in Mount Kisco, he has spent his life in the Episcopal Church, and offered himself in service to the same.

Ken earned his undergraduate degree from Dartmouth College, and then in 1971 received his juris doctor from Cornell University. For fifty years he has practiced law in New York, with a concentration in estate and trust administration. His professional credentials are described by his peers only in superlatives, and a colleague notes with gratitude the privilege of working for "the nicest attorney in the City of New York."

It is notable that it was in the very year of his law school graduation, still very much a young man, that he first assumed his duties as legal counsel for the TEP and has faithfully carried out those duties through the entirety of his adult life. It is the management and care of the assets of our diocese and our many parishes which makes the gospel work we have been given by Christ possible. Therefore, in recognition and gratitude for his exceptional record of service and faithful self-offering, given to the glory of God, we, on this 13th day of November 2021, in the tenth year of our consecration, do award him

The Bishop's Cross

The Right Reverend Andrew ML Dietsche XVI Bishop of New York