

ASSOCIATION OF BELLTEL RETIREES INC.

Annual Membership Meeting

May 2, 2017
9:30 am – 1:00 pm

Honoring our Men of the Year

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Fellow Retirees,

Welcome to the Association of BellTel Retirees Inc.'s 21st annual member meeting. Each year this event is where retirees from across our nation come together to meet with old workplace friends and dialogue about critical retirement topics. This important event is the highlight of our non-profit association's calendar year.

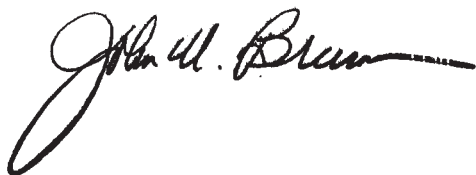
Your Association has achieved so much success over the last two decades advocating for retirees and it is because we have an engaged membership. We are looking forward to continuing to have an impact well into the future.

Our organization would not be where it is today without the tremendous volunteer efforts of our board and the support of you, the members, who have stood behind us since day one. Thank you all.

It is because of you that we are 134,000 members strong. We consist of both retired union and management, a feat no other group at any company has managed on the scale that we have.

Our 2017 annual member meeting has a dynamic line-up: The Honorable Donald Guardian, Mayor of Atlantic City, NJ, and retired FDNY Fire Chief Richard Alles. Chief Allies was one of the leaders fighting in our nation's capital to secure the \$7.3 billion federal 9/11 Victims Compensation Fund (VCF) for first responders, including many active and retired Verizon employees who worked in lower Manhattan following the attacks on our nation and have since been diagnosed with cancers.

We also honor two leading men whose vision, dedication and hard work made the Association what it is today: Our co-founders, C. William Jones and Robert Rehm. They had the foresight to see a rocky road ahead for all retirees and took action to make a difference, giving birth to the Association. We certainly owe them a debt of gratitude.



John M. Brennan

President

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Bill Jones and Bob Rehm

**You both met for lunch in 1995 to form an advocacy for NYNEX
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Americans**

Congratulations to the Men of the Century

Thomas & Eileen Steed

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On behalf of the entire IBEW Local #827
Southern Unit Leadership

***Congratulations to Bill Jones and Bob Rehm
for this well-deserved honor.***

***We appreciate your hard work and continued
efforts on the part of all
retirees and working class people in America.***

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*Butler Associates salutes the great advocacy
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*Congratulations to the Association's two
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C. William Jones and Robert Rehm.

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We, the Association of BellTel Retirees Founding Members, former officers and presently, Board Members Emeritus are honored to be named “Men of the Year” by the Association Board.

It is our pleasure to continue to assist the volunteer Board in its important work - protecting the retirement benefits we all earned. And, we plan to continue to do so as long as the Board finds our contributions of value to the Association.

Thank you for this honor!

C. William Jones (Bill) & Robert A. Rehm (Bob)

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On behalf of the Association of BellTel Retirees Inc.
I want to congratulate Bill Jones and Bob Rehm on
being our first men of the year!

I also want to thank them both for all they have done
to help me grow within this great organization.

Jack Brennan, President
Association of BellTel Retirees Inc.

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Starting in 1996, C. William Jones co-founded and led the Association of BellTel Retirees as its first President, a mantle he maintained until retiring from the board in 2014.

In 1996, after retirees failed to receive a long anticipated cost of living adjustment, Bill began reaching out to other retirees to see if they shared his concerns. That group of six, retired from NYNEX, chose to take action, organized and formed the Association, which today has a two-decade record of winning uphill battles on behalf of all Verizon retirees.



Mr. Jones led the organization from the initial six co-founders to its current total of 134,000 members, a remarkable accomplishment.

He has testified before Congress on behalf of retirees, addressed the Justice Department, Labor Department, Ivy League university panels, Verizon shareholder audiences and mastered hundreds of high profile news interviews.

Since 1997, the Association has introduced corporate governance proposals to Verizon shareholders. The Association's efforts have resulted in 11 changes in Verizon corporate governance and executive compensation policies.

Mr. Jones began his career with New York Telephone's Commercial department in customer service. He later worked in the operations, planning and engineering departments. He served as a witness to rate case proceedings, estimating and testified for future rates.

He retired in 1990 as Managing Director of Corporate Planning at NYNEX after a 30-year career.

"The growth and achievement of this organization has meant so much to me," said Jones. "It was exciting and fulfilling to lead this organization for 18 years." He continues to assist the organization when needed.

Mr. Jones now serves as Board Member Emeritus to the Association of BellTel Retirees and continues to fight on behalf of retirees as Chairman of the lobbying organization ProtectSeniors.Org.

Mr. Jones is a graduate of Lehigh University in Pennsylvania. He lives in Frisco, Texas with his wife Gail. They have two children and two wonderful grandchildren.

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A special thanks to the spouses and significant others of our Board who help with our Annual Meeting.

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Continental Breakfast and Registration

8:00 am – 9:30 am

Annual Meeting

9:30 am – 1:00 pm

**Welcome &
Pledge of Allegiance**

David Simmonds

Opening Remarks

Jack Cohen

**Secretary's Report
Election of Board & Officers**

Pamela Harrison

Financial Report

Bob Gaglione

President's Report

Jack Brennan

Guest Speakers

**Chief Richard Alles
FDNY, Retired
Director of 9-11 Community Affairs**

**Edward Stone
Attorney-At-Law**

**Curtis Kennedy
Attorney-At-Law**

Questions / Answers

Membership

Floor Monitor

**Don Kaufmann
Bob Gaglione**

Closing Remarks

Jack Brennan

Thank you for coming and have a safe trip home.

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Robert A. Rehm co-founded the Association of NYNEX Retirees, the predecessor of the Association of BellTel Retirees in 1996 and for many years served as the organization's Chief Financial Officer until his 2012 retirement.

He started the organization together with C. William Jones, after the duo began discussing how retirees had failed to receive long promised company pension COLAs in five successive years.

Mr. Rehm has logged tens-of-thousands of miles speaking before retiree gatherings all across the nation. He has presented the Association's proxy proposals to the Verizon

board and shareholders at annual meetings, often the recipient of standing ovations.

Mr. Rehm worked for the New York Telephone Company for 31 years. He started in 1960 in outside plant engineering, where he was a union draftsman, responsible for maintenance of outside plan cable and conduit records and drawings.

In 1962 he was promoted into management at the NY World's Fair Outside Plant Engineering group in Queens, NY. He then spent the remainder of his career in the Buildings Engineering and Management Department and when Bob retired he was responsible for the 1,204 company buildings, Real Estate and Motor Vehicles throughout New York State.

When the federal government broke up Ma Bell, Rehm was promoted to Division Manager and Assistant Vice President positions at ATT from 1982-1983 to help with the disposal and transfer of real estate to the Baby Bells.

In 1985, he returned to NYNEX, Building, Engineering and Management Department as Division Manager and was in charge of building management all across New York State.

Once asked why he committed so much of his time to the Association, Bob said, "because it is the right thing to do... I will never give up or go away in the fight to protect retiree benefits."

After he retired from NYNEX in 1991, he spent two years as Chief Operations Officer of Austin Drugs/ CVS Pharmacy Inc.

Today, Bob serves as Board Member Emeritus of the Association of BellTel Retirees. He resides in Jericho, Long Island, NY with his fiancé Dottie and they spend some of their retirement time vacationing in their Vero Beach, Florida condo. He has three daughters, a son and eight grandchildren. Bob is also an avid fisherman.

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Congratulations and Best Wishes

To Our Amazing

Men of the Year

C. William Jones and Robert A. Rehm

Board Members Emeritus



Jack and Ilene Cohen

*Jack K. Cohen, Chairman
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Bill Jones and Bob Rehm

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CONGRATULATIONS

to

Bill and Bob

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All honor and praise to Bill Jones and Bob Rehm
and their many accomplishments on behalf of
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2017 Men of the Year

C. William Jones and Robert Rehm.

You have both been great advocates for retirees in founding and leading the Association of BellTel Retirees Inc. Heartfelt wishes for you, the ABTR staff and all the wonderful ABTR volunteers for continued success.

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***Congratulations
To
The Association of BellTel Retirees***

***As You Honor
Founding Members***

***C. William Jones
&
Robert A. Rehm***

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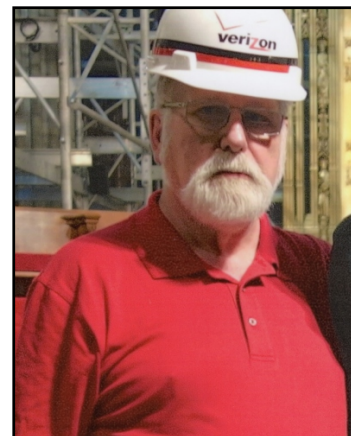


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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR **2017 MEN OF THE YEAR!**

BOARD MEMBER EMERITUS AND FOUNDING MEMBERS
C. WILLIAMS JONES & ROBERT A. REHM

*Best Wishes to
All of
my Fellow
BellTel Retirees!*



JOHN W. HYLAND
Director - Union Relations
Annual NYC Labor Mass 2015
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&

Robert Rehm

**Association of
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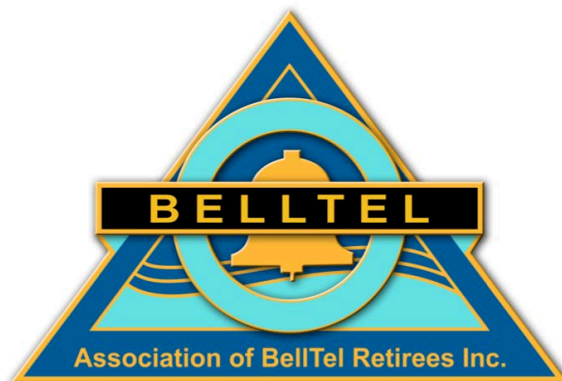
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Verizon Workforce: Active and Retired May Be Eligible for 9/11 Victim Compensation Fund

Doctors have Linked 68 Cancers to WTC Toxic Dust



Via: Wikimedia Commons

Active and retired Verizon workers were significantly impacted by the 9-11 terrorist attacks on New York City, playing a large and crucial role in the recovery.

Any Verizon workers – CWA, IBEW and more - who worked to restore communications following the collapse of the World Trade Center, were unquestionably exposed to toxic dust.

Even workers who were in 140 West Street, the severely damaged Verizon Building, during the attacks could be eligible.

Verizon workers diagnosed with cancer in the past 15 years may be eligible for significant federal compensation.

To protect eligible 9-11 workers, the U.S. Department of Justice recently extended eligibility deadlines for compensation under the 9/11 Zadroga Victim Compensation Fund (VCF). This vital economic protection allows thousands who missed prior VCF deadlines to now register for their piece of the \$7.3 billion fund to protect themselves and their families.

The date that a cancer is certified by the World Trade Center Health Program begins the 2-year period to register a VCF claim. Additionally if a retired or active Verizon employee has passed away due to cancer, their families may also assert a claim ***within two years of their death.***

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