

# ***HERBERT DANIEL HUGHES, II***

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## **MANAGING MEMBER**

### **Two Friends Patio Restaurant - Key West, FL (2013-Present)**

Purchased this Key West Icon from the previous Owner, who operated it since 1967; the structure has been a bar with food service since prior to 1889. Through Marketing efforts and Staff Reorganization & Training that include: Cruise Ship promotion, search engine optimization, radio & print advertising, airport & ferry terminal signage, upgrading retail sales, website revamping, and HR benefits & mentoring initiatives, Annual Sales have increased 38%; Q1 for Year Two is currently 24% over our Year One daily sales average.

[www.twofriendskeywest.com](http://www.twofriendskeywest.com)

## **HONORARY CONSUL**

### **Government of Hungary (2012-Present)**

Appointed by Ambassador Szapary to succeed Dr. Istvan Gergatz as Honorary Consul for the jurisdictions of Louisiana and Mississippi, United States. (NOTE: Consuls are official representatives of the government of one State in the territory of another, acting to assist and protect the citizens of the consular country, and to facilitate trade and friendship between businesses and the peoples of the two countries.)

## **MANAGING MEMBER**

### **Jessica Todd Salon - Portsmouth, NH (2012-Present)**

With business partner Jessica Todd, an exclusive L'Oreal Flagship Salon opened in Portsmouth, NH. Design was by Peter Millard Designs in NYC, whose chief clients are L'Oreal, Armani, and Ralph Lauren. L'Oreal provided the areas' first Color Lab, and as of the 10/5/12 Opening, bookings were out 6-8 weeks. ([www.jessicatodd.com](http://www.jessicatodd.com))

## **COMMISSIONER, CHAIRMAN**

### **Board of Commissioners of the Port of New Orleans**

#### **New Orleans, LA (2003-2009)**

Appointed by Governor Foster to the West Jefferson seat of the Commission in December, 2003. Served as Chairman of the Dock Board from August 2007 to May 2008. Served as Chairman of the Port's Property & Insurance Committee through Hurricanes Katrina and Rita until assuming the Chairmanship; Committee business included \$140+ Million settlement for Katrina damage with the Port's Insurer. Served as Vice Chairman on Riverfront Development Committee, which negotiated the Co-Operative Endeavor Agreement with the City of New Orleans. Under Chairmanship the Port's 2020 Master Plan was adopted.

## **CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD, OWNER**

### **Diversified Group, LLC - Harahan, LA (1998-Present)**

Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive of a group of companies totaling 90 employees whose business lines include: Ship Repair (Structural Repairs & Fabrication, Electrical Motor reconditioning, MAN/Sulzer/Wartsila Diesel Engine Specialists, Azipod Bow Thrusters), Military Vessel Layberthing, Pier/Wharf Construction, Truck Equipment specialty Fabrication, Construction and Retrofitting. Largest division (Utility Construction with 240 employees) was sold in 2009. [www.houstonshiprepair.com](http://www.houstonshiprepair.com),

[www.truckandtransportation.com](http://www.truckandtransportation.com)

## **OWNER**

### **Bayou Country Harley-Davidson - Houma, LA (1999-2001)**

Purchased the former Sheppard's Harley-Davidson in Houma, LA. Grew allocation (SUA) of motorcycles from 75 to 155 in 2 years. One of four winners of "Promoter of the Year 2000" at the 2000 Harley-Davidson Worldwide Dealer Awards, July 23, 2000. Sold the business in 2001.

## **VICE PRESIDENT, PRESIDENT**

### **HBH, Inc. - Belle Chasse, LA (1991-1998)**

Acted as Vice President, then President, of Oilfield Marine Construction Company that has operated since 1947. Duties included overseeing the design, negotiation/bidding, and construction of 260-foot USCG-certificated Pipelay barge, and negotiating a two-year contract in Lake Maracaibo, Venezuela. The company was taken public in 1997.

## **MANAGING DIRECTOR**

### **Black Coral And...Ltd. - Cayman Islands, British West Indies (1987-1991)**

Acted as General Manager, then Managing Director of a chain of art galleries based in Grand Cayman Island, British West Indies. Company grown to include locations in St. Thomas U.S.V.I., and Las Vegas, Nevada.

## **PRESIDENT**

### **Dixie Machine Welding & Metal Works, Inc. - New Orleans, LA (1985-1987)**

First brought in as a Consultant, then assumed position of President of this unionized ship repair company. Completed conversion of (3) Lykes Brothers Steamship Company barge carriers to MarAd during tenure as well as work for Boeing Military Aircraft Company.

## **DIRECTOR**

### **Windjammer Enterprises, Ltd - Cayman Islands, British West Indies (1982-1984)**

Acted as manager of a Cayman-Islands based Investment Company. Oversaw a hotel, and the construction of a 56,000 square foot shopping center.

## **EDUCATION**

St. Martin's Episcopal High School – graduated 1977

University of Texas: BBA, Mechanical Engineering Route 1981

## **PERSONAL**

Married to Maura Brennan with 4 children, 3 stepchildren, and 2 Grandchildren

Mother was born in Hungary and emigrated to the U.S. in 1949 at age 12

Hungarian was the first language I spoke, though I am very "rusty"

Commercial, Instrument, Multi-Engine & Seaplane Pilot with 3,300 hours total time

Avid Sailor, Tennis Player

Have been known to pick up my guitar and play Jimmy Buffett songs (unrequested)

Scuba Diver: P.A.D.I. Divemaster. P.A.D.I Enriched Air, NAUI Advanced Open Water

Underwater Photographer

I love Dogs - we have two Goldendoodles: Pax and Stella