

FROM STRENGTH TO STRENGTH

NORMAN CHAMP *(War Studies, 1986)*

Since studying at King's, Norman Champ has blazed an impressive trail. An expert in financial and regulatory matters, he has served as Director of Investment Management at the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), taught at Harvard, and, most recently, authored a book about his experiences.

A Fulbright scholar to King's, where he received his MA in War Studies, gave Norm the opportunity to study in London with graduates from all walks of life, an experience that he considers contributed to his early career success.

'I thoroughly enjoyed my time at King's. We had a great group of graduate students, including members of the military from several countries. Later, as the General Counsel of a US hedge fund, I spent a great deal of time working in London and my experience of living there as a student gave me a great background for navigating the city for our business.'



During his time at the SEC, Norm made significant changes to improve the capabilities and operations of the agency, while simultaneously accomplishing significant policy objectives. Under his leadership, the SEC adopted a new rule to reform money market mutual funds, helping to resolve issues identified during the financial crisis.

Above and beyond his day job, Norm has also taught Investment Management Law at Harvard Law School since 2008. He credits this with keeping his own perspective fresh and astute, 'I thoroughly enjoy teaching bright law students who want to learn about this important area. Distilling everything I know into classes for the students

makes me think carefully about why law in this area works as it does.'

Norm's book, tentatively titled 'Going Public' talks about the experience of moving from the contrasting worlds of the highly competitive hedge fund industry to government. Giving a behind-the-scenes look at a US government agency, the book illuminates a fascinating side of this world that he believes will be of widespread public interest.