

## Philip S. Howe

When I graduated in 1969 with a Bachelor's Degree in History, I was commissioned the same day in the U.S. Air Force. I next attended Georgetown University Law Center. I graduated from there in 1972 and waited to be called to active Air Force duty. In June 1973 I was called to active duty and assigned to Chanute Air Force Base in Rantoul, Illinois. Serving four years of active duty, I entered the Air Force Reserves and retired in 1998 with 28 years of service. I retired as a Lieutenant Colonel.

I then worked in Illinois in private practice for a while, then in the Illinois Government from 1978 until 2003. I was the Senate Legislative Liaison for Governor James R. Thompson for one year. Then, I was General Counsel to the elected Secretary of State James Edgar from 1981 to 2000. When Mr. Edgar was elected Governor in 2000, I was appointed the Director and General Counsel for the Illinois Development Finance Authority, a state economic development agency. After a four-year term there, I became the Chief Administrative Judge for the Illinois Department of Professional Regulation. After four years in that position, I was appointed the Chairman of the Illinois Department of Revenue's Board of Tax Appeals.

In 2003 I retired from the State of Illinois and went to Washington D.C. to work for the Department of Defense as an Administrative Law Judge. I conducted hearings all across America. In 2017 I retired from that position.

Now I pursue my hobbies and other interests, such as reading history, building and operating model railroads, participating in various model railroad clubs, and political organizations. I am President of the Lionel Operating Train Society, an international model railroad club.

My wife Kirsten and I live in Grayslake, Illinois, north of Chicago. We have two adult daughters, Sarah and Susan. Sarah graduated from Fairfield in 2007. She works in Washington D.C. with the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. She recently had our first grandchild, a daughter. Susan, who graduated from Wesleyan University in Middletown, Connecticut in 2011, teaches Latin and Greek at private academy in Elgin, Illinois.