Data Protection Commissioner



Biography of George E Rodgers

Data Protection Commissioner of the Bahamas

George E. Rodgers was appointed by the Government of the Commonwealth of The Bahamas as the first "Data Protection Commissioner" effective October 23, 2006. He is presently on his second term in office which expires in October 2012. He is charged with the establishment of the Office of the Data Protection Commissioner under the provisions of The Data Protection (Privacy of Personal Information) Act, 2003, and has responsibility for the administration and enforcement of the provisions of the Act.

Prior to this appointment, Mr. Rodgers served as Managing Director, Bahamas Development Bank for approximately seven years. During this time he also was the Alternate Director for The Bahamas on the board of directors of the Caribbean Development Bank.

Mr. Rodgers, a career Banker, previously completed almost thirty four years with Barclays Bank PLC (now CIBC First Caribbean International Bank LTD). There he gained extensive experience in domestic and international banking in such areas as Credit Risk Management and Premier Banking and Operations. His last substantive post in Barclays was Personal Sector Director, which included responsibility for Barclays Finance Corporation (Bahamas) Ltd. as its Deputy Chairman.

Mr. Rodgers obtained his primary and secondary education in Nassau and graduated from Prince William Baptist High School in 1965. He was successful in the external General Certificate of Education examinations of the University of London. Among his other credits were Royal Society of Arts (London) Accounting and Company Law. Later he attended many specialized training courses in Barbados, Cayman Islands, Jamaica and the United Kingdom. In 1993 he benefited from a ten (10) month multi-tasks attachment to the Liverpool Regional Office, of Barclays Bank PLC, in the United Kingdom.

A Fellow of The Bahamas Institute of Financial Services; and a Past President of the Bankers Association of the Bahamas, Mr. Rodgers is also a Justice of the Peace and a past director of Junior Achievement - Bahamas. He was awarded the coveted "Boss of the Year" title by The Bahamas Secretarial Association for the year 1986/87.

Married to Carolyn Rogers (Nee Ingraham) He is the proud father of two sons, two daughters and five grandchildren.

Community minded, he serves in several Church related capacities and enjoys swimming and gardening.