

Robert Schlegel

Entrepreneur; Author; Senior Real Estate Executive; CPA

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About Robert Schlegel

Bob is a highly accomplished Entrepreneur, Senior Real Estate Executive, CPA, and Board Member with more than 45 years of success spanning manufacturing, distribution, healthcare and real estate. He has a proven ability to manage growth, and his areas of expertise include logistics, property development, financial analysis, strategic planning, and private equity.

He began his professional career in public accounting at KPMG in Ontario Canada, and over the last 40 years in the USA, he founded multiple organizations including peopleCare Heritage Centers; Pavestone Company; Bedrock Logistics; SolarStone and Schlegel Land Company's Silverwood. As Chairman and CEO of peopleCare, he grew the company into a successful chain of nursing and retirement centers with 2,200 guest suites and 2,000 employees, and after 15 years sold the business to a NYSE company. Bob was the founder, Owner, and served as Chairman of Pavestone Company, the nation's largest manufacturer of concrete landscape products with 20 manufacturing locations across the U.S., 1500 employees, and distribution to more than 5,000 big box stores, garden centers, and contractors. In 2012 after 32 years, he sold the \$400 million business.

Bob obtained his BA in Economics and CPA from Wilfrid Laurier University in Waterloo, Ontario, Canada. In 1998, he was awarded an Honorary Doctorate by WLU, and the University named a new facility "The Schlegel Centre for Entrepreneurship and Social Innovation." In addition to his executive career, Bob has held Board positions with Southern Methodist University Cox School of Business; Southwestern Medical Center Foundation; Schlegel Horizons Foundation; Students in Free Enterprise; Salvation Army; JPMorgan Chase Bank Dallas Region Advisory Board; World Presidents' Organization (WPO); and the Young Presidents' Organization (YPO). His recognitions include induction into the Horatio Alger Association at the U.S. Supreme Court Award Ceremony in 2008; the induction into the Texas Philanthropy Hall of Fame; The America's Free Enterprise Legend Award from the Students in Free Enterprise, and E&Y Entrepreneur of the Year Award. The award he is most proud of though, is Dallas Ft. Worth's Father of the Year Award in 2002.

Currently, Bob is Chairman of Schlegel Land Company, a property development firm with projects in Boston, Dallas, Houston, Miami, and is the owner of Silverwood, a large master planned community in Southern California. He is also Owner of Bedrock Logistics, a freight management firm with 100 employees in 4 offices across the U.S.

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Moderated Q&A

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- **2022:** Angels and Entrepreneurs: A Lifestyle Formula for Starting Your Own Business and Riding the Rollercoaster of Entrepreneurship

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"My wife and I have been dear friends with Bob and Myrna Schlegel for more than twenty-five years, dating back to my days filming the Walker, Texas Ranger television series in Dallas. In fact, our twins were ring bearers at his oldest daughter's wedding. Although Bob has yet to master my signature roundhouse kick, he has many other talents. I've watched him grow his very successful companies over the years and he is truly a natural born entrepreneur. And so, this book is a great resource for others nourishing an entrepreneurial spirit as well as a philanthropic heart and the desire to use their God-given talents to serve others. Angels and Entrepreneurs will inspire you and light the way for you!"

— —Chuck Norris



"I know talent when I see it. Talent is great. But what really separates talent from success is perseverance, determination, and hard work. Bob is the perfect example of that. He took his God-given strengths and worked hard, never giving up when things were challenging. In this book, Bob coaches you through some tough plays and shares what he has learned through his wins and losses. He is a man of great character, strength, and generosity as evidenced in the stories throughout this book. This book is a WIN!"

— *Jerry Jones, Owner, President and General Manager of the Dallas Cowboys*

"Angels and Entrepreneurs is an inspiring book sharing the lessons learned and ups and downs all entrepreneurs will inevitably face while navigating business, relationships, and life. A must read not only to learn how to make money and be successful in business, but also how to build a life filled with gratitude and healthy relationships."

— *Jim Treliving, member of Dragons' Den and owner of Boston Pizza North American Franchisor*

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