

REPORT FOR THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

UNITED STATES SENATE

RELEASED IN FULL

SUBJECT: Ambassadorial Nomination: Certificate of
Demonstrated Competence -- Foreign Service
Act, Section 304(a)(4)

POST: Dominican Republic

CANDIDATE: James Walter Brewster, Jr.

James (Wally) Brewster, Jr. is the self-employed owner and Managing Partner of Satawake, Brewster & Kyles LLC (SB&K Global) based in Chicago, Illinois. He is known for his talented leadership, keen business acumen, and broad multicultural experience. His proven management and interpersonal skills demonstrate his ability to lead a large multi-agency U.S. Mission. A crisis and communication management professional – with extensive experience in promoting business development and serving as a spokesperson with the media – Mr. Brewster will bring essential skills to the task of furthering bilateral relations with the Dominican Republic, one of the largest economies in the Caribbean and Central America, a key U.S. partner in the Caribbean, and a fellow Member of the Organization of the American States (OAS).

Prior to establishing his own business, Mr. Brewster served as Officer, General Growth Properties, Chicago, Illinois (03/2009-06/2010), Senior Vice President, Marketing & Communications, General Growth Properties, Chicago, Illinois (03/2002-06/2010), Vice President, Corporate Communications, General Growth Properties, Chicago, Illinois (11/1999-03/2002), Regional Vice President, Marketing, General Growth Properties, Dallas, Texas (03/1995-11/199), Assistant Manager/Marketing Director, The Rouse Company, Dallas, Texas (03/1989-03/1995). Previously, he worked in management positions in Dallas, Texas and Granville, Texas at Imago/Bloomers, Beverly Hills Dallas, The DeBartolo Corporation, Carla Francis, Inc., Linz Jewelers, and Jim Collins Company.

Mr. Brewster earned an Associate of Arts Degree from Tyler Junior College, Tyler, Texas (1981) and attended Texas A & M University, College Station, Texas, studying Business Administration and Marketing (1981-1983). He is the recipient of the Buck Weirus Spirit Award from Texas A&M University, Maxi and Merit Awards from the International Council of Shopping Centers, and an Outstanding Achievement Award from the Human Rights Campaign. He speaks basic Spanish.

REVIEW AUTHORITY: Frank Tumminia, Senior Reviewer