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**Peter Cohen, Founder, Ramius Capital, former CEO & Chairman of Shearson American Express**

### **"Survival of the Fittest: Darwinism and Hedge Funds"**

**Wednesday, July 11<sup>th</sup>**

Peter Cohen will share his insights on the application of Darwin's evolutionary theory to the world of hedge funds. With the ever growing number of "hedge funds," who will survive and what does it take?

Peter has had a long and distinguished career, having served as the President, Chief Operating Officer, Chairman, and Chief Executive Officer of Shearson American Express in the 1980s. He is currently a Managing Member of Ramius Capital, a multi-billion dollar investment management firm, and senior member of the firm's Executive Committee.

#### **Event Details**

Date: Wednesday, July 11, 2007

Time: **5:30 Registration**

We will begin *promptly* at 6:00; please arrive early to get through security

Host: Ernst & Young LLP

Location: The Cornell Club of New York.  
6 East 44th Street, New York

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*Admission to this event is free, but there is a \$25 charge if you register and do not attend (even if you cancel in advance). No-show proceeds are donated to iMentor.*

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*Space is limited. No walk-ins will be permitted to attend.*

*This event is NOT FOR ATTRIBUTION.*

## **Biography**

### **Peter Cohen**

Peter Cohen is the founder of Ramius Capital Group, LLC. Mr. Cohen is also a Managing Member of the firm and senior member of the firm's Executive Committee.

After receiving his Bachelor of Science degree from Ohio State University in 1968, Mr. Cohen earned his M.B.A. from Columbia University in 1969 and began a career on Wall Street at Reynolds & Co. In 1970, he joined the firm which became Shearson Lehman Brothers as a generalist in securities analysis and investment banking.

In 1973, Mr. Cohen became Assistant to the Chairman of the firm, Sanford Weill, and was involved in all aspects of the firm's activities. At various periods throughout the 1970's he was directly responsible for finance, operations and administration; equity, debt trading and sales; real estate investing and lending; investment and merchant banking; commodities trading and the firm's investment management businesses.

In 1978, Mr. Cohen left Shearson for one year to work directly for Edmond Safra at Republic NY Corporation and Trade Development Bank Holdings in Geneva, Switzerland and returned to Shearson in 1979. Shearson merged with American Express in 1981 at which time he became President & Chief Operating Officer and in 1983 Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, a position he held until 1990.

In 1991, Mr. Cohen formed Republic New York Securities and Republic Asset Management for Republic National Bank of New York and at the same time commenced the activities around which Ramius Capital Group was formed in 1994.

Over his career he has served on a number of corporate, industry and philanthropic boards, including The New York Stock Exchange, The Federal Reserve International Capital Market Advisory Committee, The Depository Trust Company, The Ohio State University Foundation, The New York City Opera, The American Express Company, GRC International, Olivetti SpA, Société Générale de Belgique, Telecom Italia SpA, Presidential Life Corporation and Kroll, Inc. He is presently a Director of Mount Sinai Hospital, Safe Auto Insurance, Scientific Games Corporation and L-3 Communications.