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**Education Session No. 136:**

**To TARP or Not to TARP? Featuring Tom Strauss, Ramius, former Pres. Salomon Brothers**

June 29, 2009 at 6 PM  
New York

To TARP or not to TARP? That is the question. As several major players struggle to survive by accepting funds from the federal government, combining with former competitors in the financial services industry or remaining independent, there's always news and speculation about the state and fate of the banking industry.

Confused? Let Tom Strauss, Managing Member of Ramius LLC and former President of Salomon Brothers, be your guide. Tom will share his insights into the ups, downs and future of the banking industry. Join us for an engaging and provocative discussion.

**Participants**

**Thomas W. Strauss, Ramius LLC**

**Event Details**

**Date:** June 29, 2009

**Time:** 5:15 PM Registration.

We will begin *promptly* at 6 PM; please arrive early.

Networking and cocktails following session

**Host:** RSM McGladrey

**Location:** US Trust Building: Lobby Level Auditorium, 114 West 47th Street (between 6th and 7th Avenues)  
New York, NY

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## Biographies

**Thomas W. Strauss**, Managing Member, Ramius LLC

Thomas W. Strauss is a Managing Member of Ramius LLC and a member of the Firm's Executive Committee. Mr. Strauss is also Chief Executive Officer of Ramius Fund of Funds Group LLC, the General Partner and Investment Manager for Ramius' multi-manager business.

From 1963 to 1991 Mr. Strauss was with Salomon Brothers Inc. He was admitted as a General Partner in 1972 and was appointed to the Executive Committee in 1981. In 1986, he became President of Salomon Brothers and a Vice Chairman and member of the Board of Directors of Salomon Inc, the holding company of Salomon Brothers and Phibro Energy, Inc. From 1986 through 1991, Mr. Strauss was responsible for the firm's Investment Banking, Sales and Trading, Asset Management and International Activities.

During his first nine years at Salomon Brothers, he served in various Fixed Income Sales and Sales Management capacities. From 1972 to 1981, Mr. Strauss managed the Government Securities, Money Market and Foreign Exchange departments. In 1978-1979, with the advent of listed Fixed Income Futures and Options trading, he separated the firm's Proprietary Trading activities from the traditional client based business, which provided the foundation for Global Proprietary Trading in New York, London and Tokyo.

From 1981 to 1986, Mr. Strauss was responsible for the development of the firm's international business in Europe and the Far East, including both Sales and Trading and Investment Banking. From a single office in London in 1971, the firm built an international presence in Europe, Asia and North America. In 1986, he further became responsible for the Global Investment Banking, High Yield and Equity businesses and several years later initiated the firm's Global Asset Management efforts.

In 1993, Mr. Strauss became Co-Chairman of Granite Capital International Group, a private investment management firm, where he developed an Absolute Return Alternative Asset Class investment business. In July of 1995, he and Morgan B. Stark joined Ramius as partners with Peter A. Cohen in the development of Ramius' investment management business.

Mr. Strauss is a former member of the Boards of Governors of the American Stock Exchange, the Chicago Mercantile Exchange, the Public Securities Association, the Securities Industry Association, The Federal Reserve International Capital Market Advisory Committee and the U.S. Japan Business-Council. He is a past President of the Association of Primary Dealers in U.S. Government Securities.

Mr. Strauss currently serves on the Boards of Trustees of the U.S.-Japan Foundation. He is a member of the Boards of Trustees and Executive Committees of Mount Sinai Medical Center and Mount Sinai-NYU Health System; and a member of the Board of Trustees of Mount Sinai Medical School. Mr. Strauss is also Trustee Emeritus of Riverdale Country School, a member of the Advisory Board for the Randall's Island Sports Foundation and Treasurer and member of the Board of Trustees of the Bachmann-Strauss Dystonia & Parkinson's Foundation.

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