

Mary Jo White

Chair - Securities and Exchange Commission United States of America

Mary Jo White was sworn in as the 31st Chair of the Securities and Exchange Commission in April 2013.

She brings to the agency decades of experience as a federal prosecutor and securities lawyer. As the U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of New York from 1993 to 2002, she prosecuted complex securities and financial frauds and international terrorism cases. She is the only woman to hold that post.

After leaving the U.S. Attorney's Office, Chair White became the head of the litigation department at Debevoise & Plimpton in New York, where she led a team of more than 200 lawyers.

Chair White earned her undergraduate degree from William & Mary, her master's degree in psychology from The New School for Social Research and her law degree from Columbia Law School.

She has served as a director of The NASDAQ Stock Exchange and on its executive, audit, and policy committees.