

James M. Harrison

BIO

James (Jim) Harrison has been the Chief Executive Officer for Party City Holdings since 2014, and has been a key leader of their global business expansion dating back to 1996, when he joined Amscan holdings as their Chief Financial Officer. At that time, Jim led the successful IPO of the business and subsequent LBO in 1997. He was named President and has been a Director of the company since 1997. Jim's career has been defined by delivering consistent financial growth while improving operational efficiency and productivity across the business. Over the past 20+years, Jim has been the architect of the business growth platform, including the acquisition of the Party City Corporation in 2005. his industry expertise and unique ability to grow this vertically integrated business were instrumental in the successful integration of Party City and subsequent initial public offering in April 2015.

Prior to joining Amscan, Jim had numerous financial and operational executive roles, including as the Executive Vice President and CFO of Ingredient Technology, and later as the CFO and COO of C. R. Gibson. Jim began his career with the public accounting firm Arthur Young & Company (today Ernst & Young).

Jim was born in the Bronx and is a graduate of Fordham University, where he received a Bachelor of Science in accounting. He is married to his wife of over 40 years, Bernadette, and is the father of four Children and has nine grandchildren.

Jim has held numerous board positions, including American Greetings, Professional Physical Therapy, Melissa and Doug and serves as Treasurer and a Director of St. Gregory the Great Academy in Bellerose Queens, NY.