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Honorable Albert A. Frink

Personal Profile

Overview:

- Founder of a successful carpet manufacturing company **Fabrica International** with a career spanning 35 years, Al is recognized as a business leader throughout Orange County, California.
- He is also known for his outstanding public service work, his skill as a professional speaker, and ability to inspire and motivate young people and adults of all ages.
- Al is dedicated to helping children and young adults grow up to be proud and productive Americans. His leadership and involvement with children is clearly demonstrated in his community outreach achievements.
- He also strongly believes that the personal involvement of business leaders in their communities is essential to foster economic growth needed to ensure a prosperous future for America's future generations.

Personal:

- Al Frink is an immigrant. Born in Chihuahua, Mexico. Mother's maiden name Olivares. U.S. citizen and California resident since the age of five.
- Al and his wife Denise, herself a former banker and successful business entrepreneur, currently reside in Newport Coast, California.

Professional Background – 1973 – August 2004:

- Co-founder of Sunwest Carpet Mills 1973-1974
- Co-founder, Fabrica International, established 1974, a carpet manufacturer considered finest in the United States
- The company designs, manufactures and sells high-end luxury carpet and rugs to retailers, trade showrooms, builders, interior designers, luxury motor coaches, furniture stores, international and other markets.
- Fabrica started with S.B.A. insured funding, currently employs approximately 480 people, 80% Hispanic
- #1 rated carpet mill in U.S. for quality and fashion. Carpeted White House three times
- Carpeted China's White House equivalent in Shanghai 2002
- Inducted into S.B.A. Hall of Fame in 2004, one of 23 lifetime inductees

Business Leadership Activities:

- 2008 - Appointed to Board of Trustees, **U.S. Manufacturing Institute**
- Member of the Board of **Western Floor Covering Association** – 3 years
- Served as Board Member, Officer and President of **Southern California Floor Covering Association** – 10 years
- **Carpet and Rug Institute** Advisory Board – served 3 years
- Advisory Board **Carpet Manufacturers Association West** - 3 years

Public Service:

- Served as First **U.S. Assistant Secretary of Commerce, Manufacturing & Services 2004 to 2007**
 - Chief advocate for the U.S. manufacturing and service sectors within the federal government.
 - Enhanced government's focus on manufacturing competitiveness.
 - Executive Director of 1st U.S. Manufacturing Council.
 - Worked to strengthen education, retraining, and economic diversification.
- Served on **U.S Department of Commerce Textile Advisory Board** for 8 years

Community Outreach (Non Profits):

- Past Board of Directors **Pacific Symphony Orchestra**
- Current active member of **Young America Foundation**
- Current Board Member **Lincoln Club** with ten year tenure
- Past member of the Board of Directors of the **YMCA of Orange County**
- Past active Board member of the **Latino Coalition**
- Current Board Member **Orange County Hispanic 100**
- **Ronald Reagan** Centennial Committee – Reagan Foundation Benefactor

Philanthropic Activities:

- **American Cancer Society** – 6 years
- **Make a Wish Foundation** fundraiser – 5 years
- **Hoag Hospital Patron** – 8 years
- **CHOC Hospital Padrino Patron** – 8 years
- **Native American Preparatory School**. First appointed Advisor, major contributor – 8 years
- **Orange Coast Memorial** - Major Benefactor

Awards and Honors:

- 2007 YMCA **Citizen of the Year Award** recipient
- **Silver Trumpet Award**, the Industry's most prestigious award – Southern California Floor Covering Association 1995
- **Distinguished Service**, Native American Preparatory School (NAPS)
- **Camp Fire U.S.A.** distinguished service 2011
- **Orange Coast Memorial Award** 2011

Education:

- First 4-year graduate class of San Gabriel High School - Art & Music Major
- Pasadena City College – Mechanical Engineer/Art & Music
- LA State College, Police Science
- 35 Years Manufacturing Experience

References:

Public Service

- President George W. Bush
- Don Evans, Former **U.S. Secretary of Commerce** - 2000 to 2004
- Carlos Gutierrez, **U.S. Secretary of Commerce** – 2005 - 2008
- John Moorlach, **County Supervisor**
- Sam Bodman, **U.S. Secretary of Energy** under G. W. Bush 2008
- David Sampson, Former **Deputy Secretary, U.S. Secretary of Commerce** 2008
- Rosario Marin, Former **41st Treasurer of the U.S.**
- Deborah Wince Smith, **President's Council on Competitiveness**, Washington D.C.
- George Allen, **U.S. Senate**
- Hector Barreto, Former **Administrator of S.B.A.**
- Ruben Barrales, Deputy Former Head of **White House Intergovernmental Affairs**, Washington D.C.
- Al Martinez-Fonts, **U.S. Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security**

Private Sector

- John Engler, Former Michigan **Governor** and **current President of National Association of Manufacturers (NAM)**
- Alan Mulally, Current **President and CEO Ford Motor Co.**
- Jim Padilla, Former **President Ford Motor Co.**
- JW (Bill) Marriott, Jr., **Chairman and CEO Marriott International**
- Kay Toolson, CEO, **Monaco Coach Corporation**, Oregon
- Dan DiMicco, CEO, **Nucor Steel**
- Michael Capaldi, Past **Chairman Emeritus Lincoln Club of Orange County**
- Tracy Price, **Chairman Emeritus of Lincoln Club**
- Rich Wagner, **Current Chairman of Lincoln Club**
- Don Garcia, **President, Pinnacle Financial**, recent presidential commission appointee, CA
- Dan Frierson, CEO, Dixie Group

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