

LIBERTY CORNER, N.J. (Feb. 29, 2020) – J. Stuart Francis, of Hillsborough, Calif., has been elected to serve as the 66th president of the United States Golf Association (USGA). The election took place at the Association’s Annual Meeting in the Village of Pinehurst, N.C., on Feb. 29.

Francis will serve a three-year term leading the [USGA Executive Committee](#), which serves as the policy-making board and provides strategic direction and oversight to the Association’s full-time staff, which is based in Liberty Corner, N.J.

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Francis is currently a senior managing director for Evercore, a global investment banking advisory firm, where he leads the firm's Silicon Valley based technology practice. He is entering his sixth year on the Executive Committee and has served as chairman of the Championship Committee for the last four years. He has also served on the USGA’s Compensation, Equipment Standards and Governance committees.

An accomplished amateur golfer, Francis competed in three U.S. Amateur Championships, two NCAA Championships and three Canadian Amateur Championships. He earned his B.A. from Princeton University, where he was named First Team All-Ivy League and All-American as co-captain of the men’s golf team, and later earned an MBA from Stanford University.

Also elected to the Executive Committee were Anthony Anderson, Michael Bailey, Stephen Beebe, Paul Brown, Thomas Barkin, Kendra Graham, Martha Lang, Courtney Myhrum, Fred Perpall, Deborah Platt Majoras, Nick Price, Sharon Ritchey and William Siart.

The USGA is a nonprofit organization that celebrates, serves and advances the game of golf. Founded in 1894, we conduct many of golf’s premier professional and amateur championships, including the U.S. Open and U.S. Women’s Open. With The R&A, we govern the sport via a global set of playing, equipment, handicapping and amateur status rules. The USGA campus in Liberty Corner, New Jersey, is home to the Association’s Research and Test Center, where science and innovation are fueling a healthy and sustainable game for the future. The campus is also home to the USGA Golf Museum, where we honor the game by curating the world’s most comprehensive archive of golf artifacts. To learn more, visit usga.org.

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