

The Honorable Douglas Orane, CD, JP, BSc, MBA, LLD

The Hon Douglas Orane joined GraceKennedy Limited in 1981 as a Corporate Planner and held several senior leadership positions throughout the Group, becoming CEO of the company in 1995. In 1998 he was appointed Chairman of the Board of Directors and held the position of Chairman & CEO until 2011, when he assumed the transitional position of Executive Chairman. He served as a non-executive Chairman of the Board from July 2012 to December 2013, retiring from his duties at GraceKennedy on May 31, 2018.

During his tenure as an executive at GraceKennedy, Mr. Orane led the evolution of the group from a domestically focussed conglomerate, to a world class global consumer food group, and regional leader in financial services. GraceKennedy now exports to over 60 countries and has financial services operations in over a dozen territories. The group has embedded modern corporate governance systems to ensure its continued sustainability. Mr Orane has been lauded for his dedication to developing the careers of others, demonstrated by his coaching and mentoring of younger employees, and the adoption of formal succession planning within the GraceKennedy group.

Mr. Orane holds a degree in Mechanical Engineering from Glasgow University, and is also a graduate of the Harvard Business School where he earned a Master's degree in Business Administration. He was named a Baker Scholar, a Harvard award reserved for those who placed in the top 5% of their graduating class.

A believer in families developing a culture of caring generosity, the Orane family donates to the Food for the Poor programmes, educational institutions, and financial support for needy students. He is a member of First Angels Jamaica, a group through which participants invest their personal equity in selected start-up companies.

He continues in the philanthropic footsteps of previous GraceKennedy Chairmen, lending his active support to the Company's programmes for the inner-city residents and youth, and to strengthening educational institutions at all levels throughout the country. He is a trustee of his alma mater, Wolmer's Schools, and is passionately involved in fundraising and infrastructural improvements for the Wolmer's Trust. He reserves time for mentoring young people in life skills and entrepreneurship. He enjoys international travel to garner new ideas, and to cheer for our Jamaican athletes at international meets.