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A former Fulbright scholar at Northeastern University (Boston, USA), he has served as Audit Committee Chair at the Department of Marine, Communications and Natural Resources and as a member of the Audit Committee at the Department of Finance.

He has also served as an Independent Non-Executive Director of Avolon, one of the world's largest aircraft leasing companies where he also chaired its Audit Committee. He is a board member of the National Library of Ireland on the appointment of the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport & Media and Chair of its Audit & Risk Committee, a member of the Council of the Economic and Social Research Institute (ESRI) and Chair of its Audit & Risk Committee, the Chair of Universities Ireland and he is currently chairing Greater Galway Forum.

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