

Congratulations to Ed Koch. At the USATF National Annual Meeting in December Ed will be inducted into the National Officials Hall of Fame!

Locally, Ed served as the New Jersey Association's first counsel from 1981 to 1984. He served as a New Jersey officer for twelve years: as Secretary (1984-1986), President (1986-1990), and Secretary again (1990-1996). During his presidency, the New Jersey Association opened its first office with a paid staff. Ed currently serves as a New Jersey trustee and as Chair of the Budget Committee. In 1992, he received the NJ Goodspeed Service Award, and in 2002 the New Jersey President's Award.

Nationally, Ed has served in a variety of roles at USA Track & Field: Insurance Chair (1985-1989), Law & Legislation Chair (1989-2000), Treasurer (2000-2009), and Organizational Services Chair (2009-2012). In 1985, he was awarded the USATF President's Award, and in 1998, he was awarded the Giegengack Service Award.

As a track & field official, Ed has served at numerous national, regional, and New Jersey championships. He was on the Jury of Appeals at the 1988 Olympic Trials for the Men's Marathon, the 1996 and 2004 Olympic Trials for Track & Field, and the 1996 Olympic Games. He also serves as a senior official at the Penn Relays, and previously served as referee at the Millrose Games. Ed currently serves as the NJ Officials Vice Chair for Training, and earlier this year received the NJ Bill Reid Award for officiating.

Ed also had a career as a runner (mostly 440m, 800m) for St. Joseph Regional H.S., the University of Pennsylvania, and the New Jersey Striders Track Club which he co-founded. He also has coached for the Striders. In 2012 he retired from a professional career as a CPA and tax attorney. He resides in Bergen County with his wife Cora and sons Eddie and Bill. He is the author of "Relay", a novel for young adults about track & field.