## **ROBERT S. HART**

Robert Hart is senior executive vice president, general counsel and secretary of Mark Cuban Companies, a collection of over 100 companies that include the Dallas Mavericks.

The Lincoln, R. I., native attended Boston University where he earned a joint B.A. and M.A. degree in political science, graduating magna cum laude with the Dean's Distinction Award in 1983. While at BU, he studied abroad at the University of Copenhagen in 1981 and traveled extensively to countries including the former Soviet Union.



In 1983, Hart moved to Dallas to attend SMU where he obtained a joint J.D./M.B.A. degree. While at SMU, and under the supervision of Professors Joe McKnight and Peter Winship, he attended SMU's summer program at University College, Oxford University.

After graduation, worked as a paid extern for a Brussels law firm before beginning full-time work with the Dallas office of what is now Bracewell. His first client as a first-year attorney was Mark Cuban, whom he continued to represent on various projects until 2000, when he began working with Mark Cuban Companies exclusively.

In 2013, Hart was promoted to senior executive vice president responsible for oversight of the family operating company, overseeing various realms involving legal, finance, tax, human resources, aviation, real estate and venture capital.

Some of the projects Hart has worked on include the acquisition of the Dallas Mavericks, oversight of the construction of American Airlines Center, formation

of AXS TV Network, purchase of the Landmark/Magnolia Theatre chains, defending Cuban in a civil lawsuit brought by the Securities and Exchange Commission, and "Shark Tank" television show-related matters.