



Jay Berman

Mr. Jason Berman is the former Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the International Federation of the Phonographic Industry (IFPI). He guided IFPI on key international priorities including the integration of Latin America into the IFPI structure, the Copyright Directive in the European Union, the ratification of the WIPO Copyright treaty, the final build out of the worldwide anti-piracy enforcement effort, and the implementation of the internet anti-piracy program.

Mr. Berman was involved in the music industry for over 25 years, starting in the early 1970s as a United States Senate aide, working on the Copyright Act of 1976. From there, he went to Warner Communications, representing all of the Warner labels on the Board of the Recording Industry Association of America. He was later appointed President and Chief Executive of RIAA and moved the organization from New York to Washington, D.C. In 1992, he was elected Chairman.

In 1996, he was appointed by President Clinton to serve on the Commission on United States-Pacific Trade and Investment Policy. He also served as a member of the US Trade Representatives Service Policy Advisory Committee and, in 1997, Mr. Berman took a three-month leave of absence from the RIAA to serve as special counselor for trade to President Clinton.