About Sam Gilliland

Sam Gilliland is Chairman and CEO of Sabre Holdings®, the world's leading travel technology company, where his love of travel, entrepreneurial spirit and technical expertise inspire him to lead more than 10,000 employees in 60 countries, spanning all segments of the travel industry. He was appointed to the role in 2003.

Prior to that, Sam served in several senior leadership positions at *Sabre Holdings* including president and CEO of *Travelocity*®, executive vice president and chief marketing officer of *Sabre Holdings*, group president of *Sabre Airline Solutions*, and senior vice president and general manager of *Sabre Business Travel Solutions*, a start-up venture within the company.

Before joining Sabre Holdings in 1988, Sam worked as an electrical engineer for Lockheed Missiles and Space in Austin, Texas.

A recognized leader in the travel and tourism industry, Sam was appointed to the President's Management Advisory Board by U.S. President Barack Obama in March 2011. He also serves on the U.S. Commerce Department's Travel and Tourism Advisory Committee to Secretary of Commerce Gary Locke. Sam holds an M.B.A. from the University of Texas at Dallas and a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from the University of Kansas.