

Richard J. Fahy, Jr.

Dick Fahy, a veteran travel industry attorney, has been appointed Executive Director of the National Commission to Ensure Consumer Information and Choice in the Airline Industry. He has held responsible positions on both the airline and travel agency sides of the travel industry. He spent 35 years in the airline industry, starting as an attorney with Pan American World Airways, in 1965. He joined American Airlines in 1972 and retired as Associate General Counsel in 1991. At American, he specializing in regulatory and antitrust issues, and was deeply involved in the development of the SABRE GDS from its inception in 1976. From 1991 to 1999, he practiced aviation and travel law in Washington, where his clients included TWA, large agencies, and the Travel Technology Association. From 1999 to 2001, he served as Senior Vice President & General Counsel of Vacation.com, Inc., the largest travel agency consortium, leaving that company when it was sold to a major GDS. He received his B.A. from Yale University in 1959, and his L.L.B. from Yale Law School in 1962. He is Past Chairman of the Aviation Law Committee of the International Bar Association and Past Chairman of the Transportation Section of the Federal Bar Association.