

Edward E. Lucente

Retired Chairman and CEO, QMS

Retired Director: ModusLink Global Solutions

While serving as an independent director at ModusLink, Ed Lucente stepped up to run the company in a leadership vacuum, successfully steering operations, restoring staff and customer confidence, and recruiting a new CEO.

“There is no doubt in my mind that ModusLink would not exist as a company without Ed’s intervention and determination not to let it go down the drain,” says former ModusLink Chairman Frank Jules.

In the face of activist investors, an SEC investigation, and operational distress, Mr Lucente took over the day-to-day running of the company when the CEO was let go in 2012. For nearly a year, accepting only his normal director fees and travel expense reimbursement, he worked through myriad issues, providing the leadership, structure and processes necessary for survival.

“Ed went far above and beyond what is expected of any director. Company stakeholders will always be grateful,” says Mr Jules.

Career Highlights

- 30 year career at IBM in roles that included President of Information Products Division; Group Executive, Marketing, Services and Sales; and Group Executive, Asia Pacific Group
- Chairman and CEO of QMS, a developer, manufacturer, and supplier of document printing solutions, from 1998 to 2000,
- EVP of Northern Telecom (Nortel) from 1991 to 1995
- Graduate and Trustee Emeritus of Carnegie Mellon University