

# James C. Kenny

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## Executive Summary

Ambassador Kenny has 35 years experience in the construction industry, as well as three years of diplomatic experience serving as the United States Ambassador to Ireland. He managed three divisions for Kenny Construction Company and was President of Kenny Management Services. A leader in business development whose strong relationships in the business community have enabled him to bring in projects valued at more than a billion dollars.

## Core Competencies

- Global experience
- Project Management
- Superior Communication Skills
- Cross Cultural Sensitivity
- Multi-Disciplined Understanding
- Collaborative
- Solution Oriented
- Broad Knowledge Base

## Professional Experience

**Kenny Construction Company** | Northbrook, Illinois

35 years

An innovative national contractor and construction management company with extensive experience building large, complex projects and heavy infrastructure through seven main operating groups: Buildings, Airports, Subways, Power, Highway, Civil and Construction Management.

- Landed the \$640 million Chicago Bears Stadium and assisted with management of the project, which was completed on schedule despite extreme winter weather conditions. The project won 19 different awards, including the prestigious Association of General Contractors Award.
- Won \$800 million Chicago Midway Airport reconstruction project, which included a new terminal, taxiways, and parking garage.
- Acquired the \$2 billion construction management contract to manage the Chicago Transit Authority's capital program.
- Identified and implemented strategic construction partnerships.
- Played a key role in operational and advanced planning as a company board member.

## Professional Affiliations

- Board Member: Hub Group Trucking, May 2016-present
- Board Member: Kerry Group, Ireland, 2011-present
- Board Member: Chicago Council on Global Affairs, 2012-2015
- Board Member: Chicago Archdiocese School Board, 2007-2010
- Consultant: President Obama Transition Team on Transportation, 2008
- Board Member: Vice Chairman Children's Memorial Hospital, 1999-2003
- Board Member: Bradley University, 1998-2003
- Member: President George W. Bush Transition Team on Transportation, 1999-2000
- Board President: Illinois Road Builders Association, 1998-2000
- Board Member: National Corp. for Housing Partnerships, 1990-1992

## Professional Awards

- Centurion Award: Bradley University, 2008
- Person of the Year: American Ireland Fund, 2006
- "40 Under 40: Outstanding Executive," Crain's Chicago Business, 1993

## Education

- **Bradley University** Peoria, Illinois  
BS, Business Administration, 1976