

Biography



Taher Mohammed Omar Agueel

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- Taher Agueel has exceptional experience and background in finance, investment, real estate, and corporate management in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.
- Mr. Agueel Served as director on the Board of many companies and is currently a board of directors member of several joint stock and listed Saudi companies including **Kingdom Holding Company, Gulf General Cooperative Insurance Company, Red Sea International Company, Merrill Lynch Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Bidaya Home Finance Company, and Global Textiles Company.**
- In 2006, Taher joined **National Air Services Company (NAS Holding)** as CEO and President. In 2007, **Nasair** was launched as the first low cost airline in Saudi Arabia. NAS grew several folds and in 2008 sizable transactions were executed based on a NAS's valuation of more than USD 1.5 billion. Towards the end of 2008, NAS was transformed into a holding company and Taher became the Executive Member of the Board of Directors and Financial Advisor, serving as a member of the *Executive Committee* and Chairman of the *Audit Committee*. In 2012, Taher became Non-Executive member of the Board. In 2013, Mr. Agueel returned to his financial advisory boutique.
- Mr. Agueel worked for leading financial firms in the Saudi investment banking space [**Deutsche Alazizia Financial Services** (CEO) in association with **Deutsche Bank**; And **National Commercial Bank** (Head Structured Finance)]. Taher has extensive experience and practical knowledge in providing wide range of securities business services including innovative corporate finance solutions and superior asset management and brokerage products and services.
- In 1995, Taher joined the **National Commercial Bank** for seven years as Head, Structured Finance in the Corporate Finance Group, and participated in establishing the investment-banking arm of the bank. The Structured Finance team established itself as the leading provider

of *sophisticated financial services* designed to improve corporate efficiency via better assets utilization. Major accomplishments in innovative financial solutions include Asset Backed Securitization, real estate development projects, and Islamic Real Estate Financing Programs; many of which were landmark and first of a kind in **Saudi Arabia** and **Egypt**. Also, Taher represented the Bank at the Board of Directors level in several companies and served as active member of the bank's *Investment, Real Estate, and Social Club Committees*.

- Before joining **NCB**, Mr. Agueel held various leading positions for ten years in the **Saudi Industrial Development Fund** where he acquired wealth of knowledge in various industrial sectors.
- Mr. Agueel served as a member of the *Industrial Committee, Jeddah Chamber of Commerce and Industry*.
- Taher has earned Master & Bachelor of Science Degrees in Industrial Engineering from the **University of Texas**, at *Arlington (USA)*, trained with *Outstanding Performance* at The **Chase Manhattan Bank** - (NY), and attended key development programs in world-class institutions like **Harvard, Oxford** and **Insead** Universities.