

Biography of Kevin J. Moynihan

First Selectman, Town of New Canaan, CT

Kevin Moynihan (pronounced MOY-ne-han) was elected First Selectman of New Canaan CT and took office in November 2017 and was re-elected for a second term in 2019.

A resident of New Canaan since 1981, Kevin was previously a member of the 12-member Town Council, the town's legislative body, from 2013 to 2017.

He was born (1949) and raised in Pittsfield, Massachusetts and graduated from Pittsfield High School in 1967. He received his undergraduate degree with a major in Government from Georgetown University in 1971 and his J.D. degree from Boston College Law School in 1974.

Kevin had a 35-year career as a corporate attorney in Chicago and New York City. He started his legal career as an attorney with the U.S. Securities & Exchange Commission in Washington, DC. He worked for a succession of investment banks as general counsel or senior attorney from 1977 until retiring in 2009 (1977-82, A.G. Becker/Warburg Paribas, 1982-88, Moseley, Hallgarten, Estabrook & Weeden, 1988-91, Paribas North America, and 1991-2009, Merrill Lynch & Co.).

After retiring, Kevin was elected to the New Canaan Republican Town Committee in 2012 and served as Vice Chairman and later Treasurer. Kevin was elected to a four-year term on the Town Council in November, 2013.

Kevin has been a board member of the New Canaan Community Foundation and of Getabout, Inc. (the town's senior and special needs transportation service). He is former member of the board of the United Way of New Canaan and United Way Tri-State in NYC. He is also a member of the Exchange Club of New Canaan, the Men's Club of New Canaan and of the Country Club of New Canaan, and formerly was a member of the New Canaan Field Club.

Kevin is married to Miriam ("Mim") Stapleton Moynihan. They have two adult children and four grandchildren, who live in Greenwich.