

Craig S. Phillips

Co-founder, Oculus R Golf Partners

SHORT BIO

Craig S. Phillips is a distinguished financial leader with more than four decades of experience across the private and public sectors. His career includes senior leadership roles at BlackRock, where he served as a Managing Director and member of the Operating Committee, and at Morgan Stanley, where he led the global Securitized Product Group as a Managing Director. In public service, he served at the U.S. Treasury as Counselor to the Secretary and Under Secretary for Domestic Finance, overseeing financial institution and capital markets policy.

A lifelong and avid golfer, Craig has been deeply engaged in golf communities throughout his life. He is a founding member of Old Barnwell and a long-time member of Winged Foot Golf Club, and has extensive experience with private clubs and luxury residential golf communities, including Desert Mountain and Kiawah Island. His longstanding involvement with the game has informed a nuanced understanding of balancing development, stewardship, and long-term community interests.

Craig holds a BA in Economics and Business Administration from Vanderbilt University.

LONG BIO

- Passionate, life-long avid golfer
- Resident of Ocala, Florida and Aiken, South Carolina, each home to exceptional regional golf experiences
- Career in financial services with both private and public sector experience

Professional Career: Craig S. Phillips is a distinguished financial leader with more than four decades of experience across the private and public sectors, bringing deep expertise in capital markets, risk management, and financial policy. Over the course of his career, he has held senior leadership roles at leading financial institutions and in government, including BlackRock, Morgan Stanley, and the U.S. Treasury.

Based in New York, Craig was an early mover in the field of securitized products, now one of the largest segments of domestic and international capital markets. He spent over a decade at Morgan Stanley, where he served as a Managing Director and led the firm's global Securitized Product Group. He later served for nearly 10 years at BlackRock, the world's largest asset manager, as a Managing Director and member of the Operating Committee.

In public service, Craig served at the U.S. Treasury as Counselor to the Secretary and Under Secretary for Domestic Finance between 2017 and 2019. In this role, he was responsible for financial institution and capital markets policy, fiscal operations, government asset and liability management, and broader economic policy.

Following his time at the Treasury, Craig has continued to advise public- and private-sector organizations on governance and strategy, including as Managing Director and Chief Growth Officer at Grain Management, a private equity firm with over \$5 billion assets under management focused on digital and telecom infrastructure. Most recently he served as Executive Vice President, Corporate Strategy and External Affairs at Freddie Mac, a government-sponsored enterprise based in McLean, VA organized to promote liquidity, stability and affordability in the secondary residential mortgage market.

Golf Engagement & Affiliations in High-End Residential Golf Communities:

Golf has been a constant presence throughout Craig's life. He first picked up a golf club at the age of five at Rio Pinar Country Club in Orlando, Florida, a course developed by his great uncle in the 1950s and once home to an early PGA Tour stop. He is a founding member of Old Barnwell and a long-time member of Winged Foot Golf Club. His exposure to destination and residential golf environments, high-end luxury real estate, and private club golf experiences — including Desert Mountain and Kiawah Island, where he has owned homes — has informed a nuanced understanding of balancing development, stewardship and long-term community considerations.

Education: Craig holds a BA in Economics and Business Administration from Vanderbilt University.