



# Christopher J. Artinian

PRESIDENT AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER  
MORTON'S THE STEAKHOUSE

Christopher Artinian, President and Chief Executive Officer of Morton's Restaurant Group, Inc. (NYSE:MRT) is recognized for his role in building Morton's The Steakhouse into a niche leader and the largest company-owned fine-dining restaurant brand in the world.

Since joining the company in 1995, Mr. Artinian has been instrumental in his various roles in restaurant operations, working his way up within the company throughout his 16 years at Morton's, while being responsible for opening many new Morton's steakhouses. Today there are 77 Morton's The Steakhouse restaurants throughout the continental United States, and in Honolulu, San Juan, Hong Kong, Macau, Mexico City, Shanghai, Singapore and Toronto.

Morton's is the most recognizable name in fine dining. All of the Morton's steakhouses defy the once-conventional wisdom that the fine dining experience could not be successfully replicated in each city. Each Morton's The Steakhouse features the finest in food, wine and seamless, professional and genuine Midwestern hospitality, as well as an inviting look and energetic environment.

Morton's Restaurant Group, Inc. also owns and operates Trevi, at The Fountain of the Gods, in The Forum Shops between Caesars Palace and Mirage Casino, in Las Vegas.

Mr. Artinian began his career in the pantry kitchen at Morton's New York City, and was quickly promoted to Assistant Manager and then General Manager. In 2002, he was promoted to Regional Director of Operations, and in 2004, was promoted again to Vice President of East Coast Operations.

Mr. Artinian resides in Winnetka, IL with his wife, and their five children. Food, entertaining and hospitality have always been a passion for the Artinian family. Mr. Artinian's wife, Mari, operates her own baking business and Mr. Artinian's mother, Marianne, recently introduced her personal family recipe for Carrot Cake to the Morton's menu. Mr. Artinian was destined for the restaurant industry with his mother's passion for cooking and his father's passion for fine restaurants.

Mr. Artinian attended Villanova University, and is a frequent contributor to renowned financial news programs such as CNBC ([see video](#)) and Fox Business News, among other news programs. In addition, he has recently served as the Keynote Speaker for the Hearing Loss Association of America's national conference, and provides philanthropic support to many local and national charities, and is a member of the Young Presidents Organization, Chicago chapter.

