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Class Day  
Ceremony  
June 3, 2009

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## Welcome Remarks

Dean Jay Light  
Deidre-Ann Perry, Section F

## HBS Student Association Presidents' Address

Fred Smith, Jr., Section D  
Jyoti Agarwal, Section E

## Student Speaker

**Thomas Rajan**  
*MBA 2009 Section B*

Introduced by  
Deidre-Ann Perry, Section F

## Class Gift Presentation

Kristin Naragon, Section A  
Mary Ellen Hammond, Section H  
Konstantinos Dimitriou, Section E

Introduced by  
Amanjot Khaira, Section G

## Faculty Awards

Rodrigo Barrenechea, Section B

### Required Curriculum

**Joseph Lassiter**  
*Professor of Management Practice  
The Entrepreneurial Manager*

**Jan Rivkin**  
*Professor  
Strategy*

## Keynote Speaker

**Jamie Dimon**  
*Chairman & CEO, JP Morgan Chase & Co.*

Introduced by  
Temitope Abereoje, Section A

## Closing Remarks

Temitope Abereoje, Section A

### Thank You

Kelly Diamond & HBS Student Association  
and all the friends and family who have supported the Class of 2009

2009 Class Day Committee

Temitope Abereoje, Deidre-Ann Perry, Rodrigo Barrenechea, Amanjot Khaira



## Thomas Rajan

Thomas came to the United States in 1999 after completing high school in Dubai, United Arab Emirates, where he spent his childhood. He earned a Bachelors of Science degree in Finance summa cum laude from Arizona State University in 2003. A self-confessed "propeller-head," Thomas had various roles in the aviation industry prior to HBS. His first job, at the age of 18, was as an airport customer service agent for British Airways.

He also worked in Financial Planning for The Boeing Company and most recently in Network Planning for US Airways. After his first year of business school, Thomas spent the summer with McKinsey & Company working on an aviation-related project in Malaysia. He thinks he may have come close to a record for distance traveled as a summer associate — logging over 100,000 miles in 10 weeks! Among his good buddies now are the staff at the Kuala Lumpur International Airport...

At HBS, Thomas served as Co-President of the Christian Fellowship for the 2008-2009 school year, was one of the organizers of the South Asian Business Association (SABA) India Trek in December 2008, a student leader of the 2009 Portrait Project and an Admissions Ambassador.

Thomas credits the development of his public-speaking skills to mentoring by his parents and the opportunities provided to him to speak in church as a lay preacher. It is a role he enjoys and one that has provided many an occasion to speak in various churches across the US, India, the Middle East, and Southeast Asia.



## Jamie Dimon

Mr. Dimon became Chairman of the Board, effective January 1, 2007, following his appointment as CEO on January 1, 2006. He also assumed the title of President upon the company's merger with Bank One Corporation on July 1, 2004. Mr. Dimon began his professional career at American Express Company, serving as Assistant to the President from 1982 until 1985.

He then became a key member of the team that launched and defined the strategy for Commercial Credit Company in October 1986, when the consumer lending company was spun off from Control Data Corporation. He served as Chief Financial Officer and an Executive Vice President, and then President. In 1987, Commercial Credit acquired and changed its name to Primerica Corporation, which in 1993 acquired The Travelers Corporation and was renamed Travelers Group.

At Travelers, Mr. Dimon was President and Chief Operating Officer for seven years. He was named Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of its Smith Barney Inc. subsidiary in January 1996, having previously been the firm's Chief Operating and Chief Administrative Officer. In November 1997, with the merger of Smith Barney and Salomon Brothers, he became Co-Chairman and Co-CEO of the combined firm. In 1998, he was named President of Citigroup Inc., the global financial services company formed by the combination of Travelers Group and Citicorp. In addition, he served as Chairman and Co-Chief Executive Officer of Salomon Smith Barney Holdings Inc., the investment banking and securities brokerage subsidiary. In 2000, Mr. Dimon was named Chairman and CEO of Bank One.

A summa cum laude graduate of Tufts University, Mr. Dimon holds an MBA degree from the Harvard University Graduate School of Business, where he was a Baker Scholar. He serves on the boards of directors of a number of non-profit institutions, including the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, Harvard Business School and the United Negro College Fund.

Mr. Dimon and his wife, Judy, have three daughters.