

Bernard R. Bach, Jr., MD

Bernard R. Bach, Jr., MD received his undergraduate degree from Harvard University (1975), Cambridge, MA, where he also played intercollegiate football and baseball. He attended the University of Cincinnati (Ohio) College of Medicine (1979) and completed his residency at Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston. He then went on to complete a sports medicine fellowship at the Hospital for Special Surgery, New York.

In 1986, he pioneered the sports medicine program for Midwest Orthopaedics at Rush (MOR), which today is one of the nation's most well-respected programs. Dr. Bach served as the Director of the Division of Sports Medicine for 30 years and the Sports Medicine Fellowship Director for 28 years. He is The Claude N. Lambert, MD and Helen S. Thomson Endowed Chair of Orthopedic Surgery, and professor of orthopaedic surgery at Rush University Medical Center where he maintains an active clinical practice. He also serves as a team physician for the Chicago White Sox and the Chicago Bulls.

Dr. Bach has served on many national sports committees and editorial boards and is an educator and mentor for residents and fellows at Rush University. He has been president of the AOSSM, the Quigley, and Herodicus societies. He has served on the Illinois Special Olympics and the Orthopaedic Research and Education Foundation Board of Directors. Dr. Bach has authored more than 1,000 scientific papers, abstracts and book chapters and served as the editor for the *Journal of Knee Surgery*. He is also on the editorial board for *Orthopaedics Today*.

He has been repeatedly honored as one of the nation's and Chicago Magazine's "Top Doctors." In 1995, he was inducted into the Illinois Athletic Trainer's "Hall of Fame" and in 2017 received AOSSM's highest honor as the recipient of the Robert E. Leach Sports Medicine Leadership award., and was the 2018 Kennedy lecturer.

Even with his busy lifestyle, Dr. Bach makes time for his passions. In the evenings and on weekends, when he isn't spending time with his family, he is in his personal workshop, creating works of art. His artistic talents include woodworking, woodcarving and glassblowing.