



Joseph M. Terranova

Chief Market Strategist

Joe Terranova is chief market strategist for Virtus Investment Partners, a position he was elevated to in 2009, after having started with the company as chief alternatives strategist. In his current role, Mr. Terranova works with Virtus' regional sales teams and the financial advisors who sell the company's investment products, providing insight into the domestic and global investing landscape and has represented Virtus as a keynote speaker for several financial institutions. He is a member of the Virtus Investment Oversight Committee.

Prior to joining Virtus in 2008, Mr. Terranova spent 18 years at MBF Clearing Corp., rising to the position of director of trading for the company and its subsidiaries. In this capacity, he managed more than 300 traders and support staff for MBF, one of the New York Mercantile Exchange's largest firms. His work was highlighted as the feature story in the June 2004 issue of Futures magazine.

Mr. Terranova is perhaps best known for his risk management skills, honed while overseeing MBF's proprietary trading operations during some of the most calamitous times for the U.S. markets, including the first Gulf War, the 1998 Asian Crisis, 9/11, and the collapse of Amaranth Advisors. In 2003, he was one of the first Wall Street professionals to make an early call for higher energy, natural resources, and commodity prices. In June 2008, he cautioned investors to move to the sidelines in commodities and, in March 2009, he encouraged investors to ignore the global "embracement of pessimism" and overweight equities. Before joining MBF, Mr. Terranova held positions at both Swiss Banking Corp. and JP Morgan Securities.

Mr. Terranova has been an ensemble member of the CNBC Fast Money franchise since 2008. He also frequently contributes exclusively to CNBC's other business programs. He is the author of "Buy High, Sell Higher" (Business Plus, 2012), a book about the "new rules" of investing based on his years as a professional trader.

Mr. Terranova is strongly committed to charitable causes benefiting children. He founded and funds the 501(c) South Nassau Rock organization, which provides specialized athletic experiences for children, and works with Nassau County to sponsor the improvement of baseball and outdoor ice rink facilities. In 2007, he established "Bossy's Bunch," a program that rewards academic excellence among elementary school students, with New York Islanders Hall of Fame hockey player Mike Bossy. In 2013, he expanded his charity work with the Islanders, creating and sponsoring the "Courier of Courage" program, which acknowledges children who have overcome hardships, disabilities, or illness.

Mr. Terranova earned a bachelor's degree in finance from the Peter J. Tobin College of Business at St. John's University in New York.