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Walter (Buddy) Baker has over 25 years of experience in international trade finance. In September 2005 he joined Atradius Trade Credit Insurance, where he is responsible for assisting exporters and banks with structuring financing for export receivables. Prior to Atradius, Buddy's career was in banking, most recently including 10 years with ABN AMRO Bank as Global Head of Technical Trade Advisory/Compliance.

Buddy is a recognized expert in trade finance and has made numerous presentations for national associations of exporters, importers, bankers, and lawyers. Despite his move from banking to insurance, Buddy continues to serve as a member-at-large of the National Letter of Credit Committee of the International Financial Services Association and to be actively involved in establishing national and worldwide standard practices for L/Cs, such as the revision now nearing completion of the Uniform Customs and Practice for Documentary Credits (referred to as "UCP600"). He also acts as an advisor to the Institute for International Banking Law and Practice and serves on the Board of Directors of the FCIB.

Buddy received his undergraduate degree from Yale University and his MBA from Northwestern.