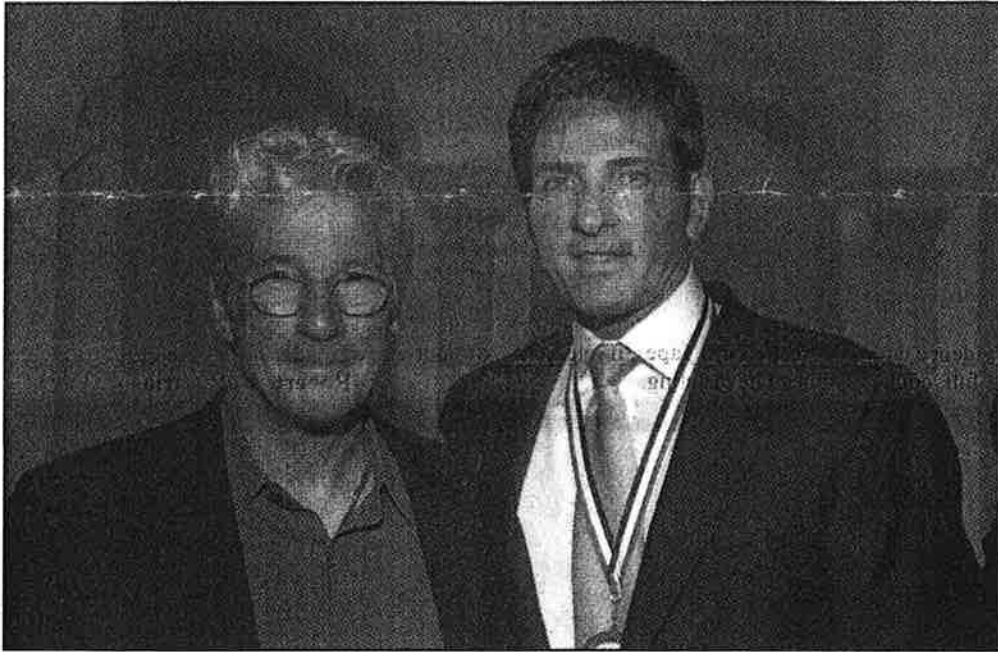


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Joe Simone and Richard Gere
at Bronx Chamber of Commerce



Richard Gere (left) and Joseph Simone

Joseph Simone, president of Simone Development Companies of New Rochelle, was joined by actor Richard Gere of Bedford at the Bronx Chamber of Commerce's 8th Annual Awards Banquet, held on October 7 at Marina del Rey in the Bronx.

Simone, a resident of Purchase, received the Chamber's Visionary Award for his contribution to the Bronx economy through his company's suc-

cessful commercial development projects, including the Hutchinson Metro Center.

Other special guests attending the event were U.S. Senator Charles Schumer, Congressman Joseph Crowley, Bronx Borough President Ruben Diaz, Jr. and New York City Commissioner of Small Business Services Robert Walsh. Nearly 700 people attended the event.