



# MACCABIUSA MEDAL OF HONOR



## SIMON ATLAS

Simon Atlas has devoted decades to advancing Jewish athletics and Maccabi USA through a variety of leadership roles. He began as Chairman of Supplies & Equipment for the U.S. Maccabiah Delegation in 1977 and 1981, later serving as Chairman of Security in 1985. He Co-Chaired Missions and Pre-Camps with his wife, Ellen Atlas, including the 1989 Sponsors Mission and the 1997 Pre-Camp, and Co-Chaired the U.S. team with Jeff Laikind in 1993. His son, Dr. Steven Atlas, was one of the team doctors for the MUSA team for the 1993 games in Israel. Simon also served on the Organizing Committee in 2009 and volunteered at Pan Am Maccabi competitions, JCC-Maccabi Games, and local tennis tournaments, providing mentorship and hospitality to athletes.



Beyond the Games, Atlas held key Maccabi USA leadership roles: Regional Vice President of USCSFI (1981–1989), Vice President (1989–1993), and National Treasurer (2001–2009). He has been a voting member of the Board of Directors since 1981 and represented the U.S. at Maccabi World Union meetings in Israel (1986–1991). Through his lifelong commitment to Maccabi USA, Simon Atlas has helped foster a strong culture of volunteerism, athletic excellence, and Jewish identity that continues to shape the organization.