



Indiana Manufacturers Association
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Indiana Manufacturers Association Elects New Chair, Executive Committee and Board Members

Indianapolis, IN - The Indiana Manufacturers Association (IMA) announced the election of the organization's new executive committee and board of directors for 2009. Edward (Eddie) J. Zoeller has been elected IMA Chairman of the Board.

Mr. Zoeller is President and Owner of E.M. Cummings Veneer, Inc., in New Albany, Indiana. E.M. Cummings Veneer, is the oldest face veneer plant in the United States, established in 1936. Mr. Zoeller is a graduate of Bellarmine University and is married with two daughters. He has served two consecutive terms on the IMA Board, beginning in 2004; and has served on the IMA Executive Committee since 2007.

The 2009 IMA Executive Committee of the Indiana Manufacturers Association was elected at the organization's board of directors meeting held on January 27, 2009. The board of directors meeting was held in conjunction with the organization's largest event of the year – the IMA Legislative Briefing and Reception. Both events were held at the Marriott Hotel, in downtown Indianapolis, with the reception attracting more than 500 business leaders and elected officials.

The 2009 IMA Executive Committee includes:

Chair: Edward J. Zoeller, Owner/President, E.M. Cummings Veneer, Inc.

First Vice Chair: Clay Barnes, Vice Chairman & CEO, Small Parts Inc., Logansport

Second Vice Chair: Tom Merrell, President, Industrial Dielectrics, Noblesville

Third Vice Chair: Richard Cutter, Vice President, Secretary & General Counsel, CTS Corporation, Elkhart

Committee Members:

Robert E. Kersey, President, American Lawn Mower Company, Muncie

Doug Meyer, Senior Manager & Assistant General Counsel, Subaru of Indiana, Lafayette

Past Chair: Rick Weber, President, Batesville Products, Lawrenceburg

President, CEO & Treasurer: Patrick J. Kiely, IMA Staff, Indianapolis, Indiana

Secretary: Brian Burton, IMA Staff, Indianapolis, Indiana

The following 2009 Board members were elected for either their first term or another term:

Joseph Elliott, President & Chairman of the Board, Indiana Steel & Engineering Co., Bedford;

Jon Ford, President, All State Manufacturing Co., Inc., Terre Haute;

John Hiler, President, Hiler Industries, LaPorte;

Thomas Hodson, Chairman of the Board, Ford Meter Box Company, Inc., Wabash;

Archie Kappel, Manufacturing Operations Executive Director, Clabber Girl Corporation, Terre Haute;

H.B. Kincaid, General Manager, AK Steel Corporation, Rockport;

Gary Lehman, President & CEO, Fairfield Manufacturing Co. Inc., Lafayette;

Carol McDowell, President, McDowell Enterprises, Inc., Elkhart;

Dan Peterson, VP Industry & Government Affairs, Cook Group, Inc., Bloomington;

Richard Pfeil, Chairman of the Board & President, Koontz-Wagner Electric Co., Inc., South Bend;

Glenn Pushis, Vice President & General Manager, Steel Dynamics, Inc., Butler;

James Tuerk, Chief Executive Officer, Aero Industries Inc., Indianapolis;

The Indiana Manufacturers Association, Indiana's leading advocate for industry, was formed in 1901. The IMA is a business advocacy organization representing nearly 1,600 Indiana companies and promoting economic development and the creation of high-wage jobs in Indiana.