



J. DAVID ADAMS, P.ENG., MBA
 President, Quality Performance Engineering Inc., Hanover

Nominated by the Members in Accordance with the Regulation, Sections 14 and 15

Education

- B.Eng., McGill University, 1955
- M.B.A., University of Western Ontario, 1958

Employment

- 1957-1963, Project Engineer, CIL, Cockshutt Farm Equipment and Abitibi Power & Paper Co.
- 1963-1966, Financial Analysis and Long Range Planning, Rio Tinto Zinc Group, London, England, and Toronto
- 1966-1972, Manager, Administration and Planning, Canadian Gypsum Co.
- 1972-1979, Manager, Finance and Logistics, Massey Ferguson
- 1979-1988, President and Owner, Canada Spool & Bobbin Co.
- 1988-present, President and Owner, Quality Performance Engineering Inc.

PEO Activities

- Member, 1960
- Executive of two chapters
- Two-term Councillor
- Chairs: Governance Task Force created to review and recommend improvements to the way PEO is managed, and Audit Committee
- Sits on: Government Affairs and Regional Councillors committees and ACC, which recommends qualified engineers to sit on all committees and task forces

Other Affiliations

- Past President, Rotary Club
- Member of: WHO'S WHO in Canada and the USA since 1963, International Men of Achievement since 1986, and The Gideons International



As a Chapter Chair, Councillor, auditor and policy governance proponent, I have enjoyed working for our profession and thank you for these opportunities. Now, I am seeking your support as the leader, whose job it is to communicate with members and speak out for the profession on engineering issues affecting the public. We have now launched OSPE with a three-year, \$6.3 million support program to focus on the well-being of individual engineers. PEO has chosen to preserve our chapter system to provide a pool of volunteers to govern the association and provide technical advice to government. The chapters should increasingly foster continuing professional development to ensure that the public has the highest protection possible.

PEO must concentrate on directing and controlling our profession at a reasonable cost to restore reserves in five years. We must ensure that we define and communicate our services as vital to the public interest by publicizing that we are an organized body of specialized knowledge, skills and attitudes—competent in all endeavours. How else will we inspire recent graduates, especially in the newer disciplines, to join with us in the pursuit of their professional goals? We must reiterate that each and every member has an academic base, relevant experience and is a responsible, competent practitioner, operating under the *Professional Engineers Act*. The public recognition of our authority to practise, based upon standards, competence and ethics, will enhance our professional relationships and resultant earnings. It will also preserve our positions in the onslaught of worldwide competition in both engineered products and consulting services. Would you please consider me for this important leadership role for our great profession.

J. David Adams, P.Eng.



ROBERT A. GOODINGS, P.ENG.
 Consultant (retired from Gore & Storrie Limited, Consulting Engineers)
 Toronto

Nominated by the Nominating Committee

Education

- B.Sc. (Civil), Queen's University, Kingston

Employment

- 1951-1994, Gore & Storrie Ltd. (now CH2M Hill Canada Ltd.)
- President and CEO, Chair of the Board

PEO Activities

- PEO Council as LGA
- Member of Executive Committee
- Member of Complaints Committee
- Member on committees of Council, including Certificate of Authorization Review, Admissions, Complaints, Discipline and Enforcement Task Force
- Chair of the Joint Advocacy Implementation Committee (JAIC) that created the Ontario Society of Professional Engineers
- Nominated by PEO to serve on interim Board of the Society

Professional Activities

- Licensed by PEO since 1953
- Certificate of Authorization, 2001
- Professional Member of the Society and Chair of Board, 2001
- Admission to PEO's Order of Honour at Officer Level (2004)
- Honorary Member of: Engineering Institute of Canada, American Water Works Association (one of 15 Canadians), Ontario Society of Professional Engineers



Engineering is an honourable profession. It has long been considered one of the senior learned professions, along with law and medicine. Now is the time to restore the profession's esteem and allow it to return to the Council influence makers in society. The profession has much to offer and its voice needs to be heard at the highest levels to advance the public interest. That is my goal.

It is no easy task, but I challenge my friends and colleagues in the profession to join me to make it happen. Realization of this vision will take time, resources, and, above all, a clear vision of the nobility of the profession, in broad consultation with engineers across Ontario.

Where do we start? With the establishment of scopes of practice and standards of practice by leaders of the profession in broad consultation with engineers across Ontario.

The first areas for scopes of practice should begin with engineering services that have a direct impact on public health and safety as set out in the Professional Engineers Act. PEO, in close collaboration with the Society, was successful in ensuring that engineers were named as qualified persons in a number of acts and regulations dealing with water supply, wastewater systems and brownfields, to name a few. I was pleased to have been closely associated with the changes in these acts. It is now incumbent on engineers practising in these fields and others to deliver to the full extent of the provincial acts and be supported by our standards of practice. PEO must take a leadership role before governments do so for PEO.



MAXIMUS PERERA, P.ENG., M.A.SC., M.B.A.
Retired, Toronto

**Nominated by the Members in Accordance
with the Regulation, Sections 14 and 15**

Education

- M.A.Sc. (Civil) Toronto
- M.B.A. Toronto
- B.Sc.(Hons.) London

Employment

- Ministry of Transportation Ontario, 1974-1996
- Commissioned Officer, Captain, 1958-1971

PEO Service

- Lieutenant Governor Appointee, 1997-2003
- Director, Professional Engineers Foundation for Education, 1997-2000
- Vice Chair: ACDE Task Force, 1998 -1999; Evolution of Engineering Admissions Task Force, 1999-2003
- Co-chair: Changes to the Act Task Force; International Mobility Task Force, 2001-2002
- Member: Advocacy/Member Services Task Group, 1997-1999; Registration Committee, 1997-1998; Government Affairs Committee, 1997-2003; Discipline Committee, 1998-present; Academic Requirements Committee, 1998-2000; Advisory Committee on Committees, 1998-2001; Engineering Disciplines Task Force, 1998-2000; Advocacy Implementation Committee, 1999-2000; Experience Requirements Committee, 2000-present; Bioengineering Task Force, 2000-2002; Certificate of Authorization Task Force, 2000-2001

Publications

- "Advocacy and Member Services," *Engineering Dimensions*, November/December 1997

- "Professional practice complaints: Steps for prevention," *The Link*, April/May 1999
- "Avoiding complaints outside of the Building Code environment," *Engineering Dimensions*, January/February 2002

Professional Affiliations

- Member, Canadian Engineering Qualifications Board
- Director/Treasurer, Ontario Society of Professional Engineers Board, 2000-2001



Is PEO, now free of self-interest advocacy, going astray, due to a lack of understanding of its reason for being: self governance to serve the public interest?

Will a Governance Model that puts critical power in the hands of the Chief Executive Officer diminish Council's authority and role as defined by the Act, and deny PEO members, its stakeholders, the role they must play in a self-governing profession?

Can Council manage and administer without a Strategic Plan beyond the current year? What are the critical objectives?

PEO's long-term viability depends on the strength of its membership. In a recent survey, 55 per cent of respondents stated that they saw no value in being registered. Equally disturbing, 30 per cent were underemployed, and fewer than 55 per cent of our engineering graduates seek licensure. Yet, no viable strategy exists to encourage licensing amongst them and other unlicensed engineering practitioners, to protect the public. Instead, the plan is to increase membership fees to support operating expenditures that have yet to be justified.

During the past three years, even as self-interest programs were being divested, the cost of operating PEO increased by 42 per cent. Member's equity (operating reserve) is down from \$9.6 million to \$5.3 million with an imminent deficit threatening all PEO programs. Fiscal responsibility must be restored.

PEO belongs to you. Your interest in its well-being is important. I ask for your support to:

- make PEO accountable to you, its major stakeholders;
- engender openness, transparency and inclusiveness;
- develop an effective, long-term survival strategy for PEO;
- ensure PEO's policies reflect its legislated mandate;
- promote sound, visionary leadership by consensus;
- incorporate chapter functions into PEO's regulatory purview.



KENNETH G. LOPEZ, P.ENG.
Manager of Design and Construction (Retired)
Transport Canada/Public Works Canada
(Aviation), Toronto

Nominated by the Nominating Committee

Education

- B.A.Sc., Civil Engineering, 1955, Toronto
- M.A.Sc., Civil Engineering, 1959, Toronto

Career

- Manager of Design and Construction, Public Works Canada: 30 years in design and construction management of multi-million-dollar airport facilities

PEO Activities

- Lieutenant Governor Appointee (1999-2002)
- Chair, Toronto-Humber Chapter (2003)
- Vice President, Professional Engineers Foundation for Education (2001-2002); member (1999-present)
- Toronto-Humber Chapter Executive Member (1974-1990)
- PEO Registration (1956-present)

PEO Committees and Task Forces

- Discipline Committee (1999-present)
- Nominating Committee (2000)
- Finance Committee (2000-present)
- Strategic Planning Steering Group (2000-2002)
- Governance Task Force (2002-present)

Affiliations

- Member of the Ontario Society of Professional Engineers

Honours/Awards

- Governor General's Commemorative Medal
- Premier of Ontario Commendation
- Certificate and Letter of Appreciation from PEO
- Certificate of Appreciation, Toronto and Region Conservation Authority
- Award of Appreciation, Stothers Centre for Children and Families

Community Service

- Public Trustee, Etobicoke Board of Education
- Vice-Chairman, Etobicoke Property Standards Committee
- Past President, Etobicoke Ratepayers
- Past Master, Mizpah 572 Masonic Lodge

This is a critical time in the history of PEO.

PEO must be prepared for the future as a regulatory body and its evolution must be in the best interests of the public and the membership.

As your elected Vice President, I will work to:

1. Ensure that our profession remains current and responsive to the ongoing expansion of science and technology and the deterioration of the environment as it affects our quality of life and future of our well-being by proactively advising governments and the public-at-large on issues of public policy;
2. Ensure that PEO is engaged in helping the public become aware of, understand and acknowledge the value of engineering to society, and how it is governed in the public interest;
3. Advocate objectives that are broader and more inclusive of the recognized missions and functions of the great professions, rather than the narrow viewpoint of PEO as just a regulatory body;
4. Ensure that standards of qualification, practice and professional conduct for PEO's licensees promote competence and ethical practice;
5. Support the concept of "Policy Governance" for PEO as a regulatory body, with an emphasis on outward vision, commitment to obtaining community input, encouragement of diversity of viewpoints and strategic leadership. For success, it is important to have the support of PEO's members;
6. Ensure that chapters play an important role in PEO's governance.

Because I am proud of my profession and perceive PEO as a trustee and champion for it, I shall work to fulfill these objectives to the best of my ability.

I respectfully ask for your support, welcome your suggestions and concerns, and encourage ongoing dialogue. Contact me at: (416) 244-7156; email: ken@soundscapeline.com.



CAMERAN MIRZA, P.ENG.
Consulting Geotechnical Engineer
Toronto

Nominated by the Nominating Committee

Education

- 1956 B.Sc. Delhi
- 1961 B.Sc. (Agr.) McGill
- 1963 M.S.A. Toronto
- 1965 M.S. Illinois

Professional Registrations/Affiliations

- PEO (1963); OIQ
- Member: CGS, CSCE, EIC, IAEG
- CAN/CSA-S6-00; OHBDC; CGSB/ISO subcommittees
- Adjunct Professor, Department of Civil Engineering, University of Toronto

PEO

- LGA (1987-1993)
- Councillor-at-Large (1997-1999)
- Willowdale-Thornhill Chapter (Past Chair)
- Present committees: Discipline, Experience Requirements, Professional Practice

Employment

- 1965-1967: Geocon Ltd.
- 1967-1980: Ministry of Transportation, Ontario
- 1980-1982: Warnock Hersey Professional Services Inc.
- 1982-2000: C. Mirza Engineering Inc. and Strata Engineering Corp.
- 2000-2003: Shaheen & Peaker Limited

Honours/Awards

- Officer, Order of Honour, PEO
- James A. Vincent Award, CSCE
- Fellow, CSCE
- Life Member, ASCE
- Board of Trustees, Ontario Science Centre
- Who's Who—American Association of Engineering Societies

Publications

Contributed over 60 papers and discussions in the fields of geotechnical engineering, highway pavements, soil-steel structures, and mine crow pillar removal, as well as on aquifer thermal energy storage systems.

Issues and events that are external to PEO, but that affect PEO and its licence holders, can no longer be ignored. Price-based selection of professional engineering services is an example of just such an issue. It affects all those who provide professional engineering services to the public. It makes it very difficult for them to effectively serve and protect the public interest and that, in turn, weakens the PEO mandate. The price-based selection practice:

- makes a mockery of the PEO fee schedule;
- limits opportunities to train entry-level and junior professionals;
- discourages investment in technological/professional upgrading and life long learning;
- stifles innovation, ingenuity and creativity—the hallmarks of excellence in engineering;
- leads to "handbook" and "boilerplate" solutions unworthy of professional engineers.

I've promoted the concept that fees paid towards professional engineering services are a wise investment, not a cost. The return on investment in professional engineering is in the thousands of per cent when services are not based on lowest cost alone—*Proceedings, First International Conference on Site Characterization*, pp: 227-232, Atlanta, 1998).

Examples of other externalities that have downgraded the professional engineer are bureaucratic examinations to practise in certain areas, being displaced by "qualified persons" in some legislation, and lack of recognition/ participation in the development of policies involving public safety and welfare. PEO needs to look outwards to these externalities—they're more important than looking inside at how it governs itself.

My mission, should you decide to support me, will be to find prudent and effective solutions to problems created by such externalities—problems that undermine our professional strength and weaken our position in society.



NICK COLUCCI, P.ENG.
President
Greenrock Engineering Ltd., Whitby

**Nominated by the Eastern Region
 Nominating Committee**

Education

- B.A.Sc., Civil (Management Sciences), 1987, Waterloo

Employment

- 1995-present, President, Greenrock Engineering Ltd, and Colucci Pools Ltd.
- 1994-1995, Engineering Supervisor, Municipality of Clarington
- 1992-1995, Manager/Owner, Nick Colucci, Professional Engineer
- 1991-1992, Construction Manager, Colucci and Son Pools Limited
- 1987-1991, Project Manager, G.M. Sernas and Associates Ltd.

PEO Activities

- Director, Peterborough Chapter
- Past-Chair, Lake Ontario Chapter; Chair, 1995-2003; Vice Chair, 1995, 1991; Director, 1994, 1987-1991
- Member, Advisory Committee on Committees

Registrations

- PEO Licence, 1989
- PEO Certificate of Authorization, Consulting Engineer Designation, 1992

Other Affiliations

- Full Member, Ontario Society of Professional Engineers
- President, National Spa and Pool Institute, Toronto Chapter, 1999-present; Director, 1998-1999
- Member: Greater Toronto Homebuilders Association; Canadian Professional Sales Association; CSPE, 2001

Community Service

- Waterloo Engineers in Toronto, 2002-2003
- Emily Omeme Skating Club, 2002-2003
- St. Paul Catholic School Council, 2001
- Sponsor: Whitby Minor Baseball, 2000-2002; Durham Syncro Swimming, 2001-2002; Whitby Iroquois Soccer, 1999-2001; Whitby Warriors Lacrosse, 1999-2002; Whitby Minor Hockey, 2000-2001



I was greatly honoured to be nominated by the Regional Nominating Committee to stand as a candidate for Eastern Region Councillor. If elected, I will endeavour to promote a greater cooperation between PEO and the Society, as well as providing a more clear and defined role for chapters within both organizations.

PEO will face some very difficult and exciting challenges in the years to come. I will, if elected, work toward the following goals:

- working with staff and Council to establish a surplus budget;
- establishing a cooperative partnership with the Society to protect our investment and guarantee the success of our advocacy body;
- providing a clear mandate for the chapters in dealing with our members' needs as well as in the governance of PEO;
- immediately implementing the recommendations of the Governance Task Force and START II Committee and closely monitoring the progression toward the goals of the Strategic Plan.

I thank you in advance for your support in this election.

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CLIFFORD L. KNOX, M.B.A., P.ENG.
Brockville

**Nominated by the Eastern Region
 Nominating Committee**

Education

- M.B.A., Athabasca University—Centre for Innovative Management, 2001
- B.A.Sc., Electrical Engineering with Physics Option, University of Waterloo, 1991

Employment

- 2000-2002, Regional Commodity Manager—Magnetics, Crystals and Power, SCI Brockville Corp., Brockville, ON
- 1995-2000, Manufacturing Manager, SCI Brockville Corp., Brockville, ON
- 1992-1995, Technical Services Representative (Test Engineer), Brock Telecom Ltd., Brockville, ON

PEO Activities

- Thousand Islands Chapter: Chapter Chair, 2001-2003; Vice-Chair, 2000; Secretary, 1998-1999
- Member since 1994

Professional Affiliations

- Ontario Society of Professional Engineers: Member since 2001; contributor to Strategic Plan and Advocacy Plan
- Project Management Institute: Member in 2003

Community Service

- 1995-present, Advisory Committee on Electronics Engineering Technology, St. Lawrence College; Committee Chair, 1998-2003
- 1996-1998, Ministry and Personnel Committee, Wall Street United Church; Committee Chair in 1997



Regional Councillors are the chapters' link to the business of PEO Council. I think that it's important that Councillors listen carefully to the issues of importance both in their respective regions, and within the profession as a whole. Councillors must also ensure that there is good communication of these issues, both up and down the chain of governance.

Eastern Region has been fortunate over the past several years to have Councillors who were committed to providing strong communication between chapters and Council. I would continue this tradition as Eastern Region Councillor.

I would strive to be visible and effective at Council meetings, and to give concise and objective contributions to the business at hand. I would also strive to ensure that the views of Eastern Ontario are considered along with those of larger urban centres, since there can be significant differences in respective priorities. At the same time, I would attempt to be available for chapter events across the region, with the goal of attending as many as possible during my term on Council.

I would strive to be the type of Councillor that Eastern Region deserves, and I thank you for your support.



CORNELIU E. CHISU, CD, M.ENG., PMSC, C.E.T., P.ENG.
Staff Officer Infrastructure, Department of National Defence (DND), Land Force Central Area Headquarters (LFCA HQ), Area Engineer Branch, Toronto

Nominated by East Central Region Nominating Committee

Education

- Diploma of Engineering Physics, 1971 (Bucharest)
- M.Eng., 1988 (Toronto)

Employment

- 2003-present, LFCA HQ, Area Engineer Branch, Infrastructure
- 2000-2002, PEO, Admissions Staff
- 1995-2000, Lightallied Technologies Corporation, President
- 1977-1995, Technology Exchange Advisor, Italian Trade Commission
- 1971-1977, Research Scientist, Semiconductor Devices (Romania)

Professional Registration

- Member, PEO 1989
- Member, ATIO 1990

PEO/Chapter Volunteer Services

- Executive Member since 1989, PEO Scarborough Chapter
- Evolution of Engineering Admissions Task Force, PEO Staff Advisor

Boards/Committees/Community Service

- College of Medical Radiation Technologists of Ontario, Lieutenant Governor Appointee
- Building Materials Evaluation Commission, Lieutenant Governor Appointee
- Task Force on Access to Professions and Trades, 1988, contribution
- Mount Sinai Hospital Foundation, Partner contributor
- CESO (Aboriginal and Overseas Advisers to Business), member

Awards

- Canadian Forces Decoration (CD)
- The Commemorative Medal for the Golden Jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II



I feel honoured to be nominated by the East Central Region Nominating Committee for election to the PEO Council. I solicit your support. In these times of globalization and fast emerging new engineering technologies, PEO faces a challenge to effectively demonstrate its value to society and its relevance to membership by embracing these technologies into the definition of engineering. I will focus on increasing the role of members in the decision-making process in PEO, enhancing chapter participation in PEO's regulatory activities. A clear Strategic Plan for the profession is paramount to be in place. This should be the guiding light for its governance and include mechanisms to review it periodically by Council. The professional engineer designation currently bestows the right to provide engineering services without defining the area(s) of practice. The Certificate of Authorization required from professional engineers to provide engineering to the public must be revised in order to really protect the public interest and not complicate further the practice of the profession.

If elected to the Council, my immediate action will be:

- clearly define the role of chapters in context of the distinct regulatory responsibilities of PEO;
- involve the chapters in PEO regulatory affairs in ensuring members are heard on crucial decisions, such as membership fees and a balanced budget;
- bring the voice of the chapters to the Council and keep the membership informed of Council's deliberations in a timely manner. I will ask for prompt postings of decision summaries on PEO's website and frequent membership briefings through face-to-face meetings and email;
- align PEO's policies and processes with today's realities of engineering practice.

Please support me. Thank you.



DANIELA E. ILIESCU, P.ENG.
Head of Electrical Department, Colt Engineering Corporation, Toronto

Nominated by the East Central Region Nominating Committee

Education

- Diploma of Engineer (equivalent to Canadian Master's degree) from the Faculty of Electrical Engineering and Energetics, University of Bucharest, Romania

Employment

- Head of Electrical Department, Colt Engineering (Ontario) Corporation
- Senior Electrical Engineer, Giffels Associates Ltd.
- Senior Electrical Engineer/Group Leader, Lummus Canada
- Engineering, management and executive positions in construction, consulting and manufacturing

PEO Activities

- LGA Councillor, 1992-1998
- Councillor-at-Large, 2000-2002
- East Central Region Councillor, 2002-2004
- Member of Discipline Committee since 1992
- Member of Regional Councillors Committee since 2002

Registration with Profession

- Professional Engineers Ontario since 1977
- APEGG Alberta since June 1999
- APEG Newfoundland since November 2002
- PEO Designated Consulting Engineer since 1992

Professional Affiliations

- Ontario Society of Professional Engineers
- IEEE Petroleum and Chemical Industry Conference—2001 Toronto Conference Committee



I am honoured to be nominated by the Regional Nominating Committee to stand as a candidate for PEO Council as East Central Region Councillor, at this time, where constant change is our only constant. More than ever before, we have an opportunity to broaden our thinking, to adopt a new perspective and to re-establish the value of the engineering profession to the marketplace. We have to promote the chapter system and to clearly define the roles and responsibilities of PEO chapters.

The status of engineers has to be improved and there is a need for proper recognition by society of the benefits received from our profession. We need to support the member advocacy body as an independent voice for engineers.

New fields of applied science are developing rapidly, and we are missing opportunities by being too slow in recognizing them. To many recent engineering graduates, registration is not a major issue as they are entering fields where employers do not look for professional certification. We have to address the issue of emerging new disciplines, changes within the traditional ones and the industrial exemption.

PEO members must be involved in solving the issues of the profession. PEO has to be open, fair and responsive to members' opinions. Major changes to PEO governing rules must be ratified by the membership. We all need to take responsibility for the future of our profession and encourage a larger number of our members to be active in our association.



MICHAEL CRUTCHLEY, P.ENG.
Senior Corrosion Engineer, Union Gas Limited, Chatham

Nominated by the Western Region Nominating Committee

Education

- B.Sc., Mechanical Engineering, University of Natal, South Africa, 1984
- P.Eng., PEO 1997

Professional Career

- *Canada (1993-present)*
 - Union Gas Limited (1999-present)
 - Researcher, University of Guelph/OMAFRA (1994-1999)
- *South Africa (1984-1993)*
 - Maintenance Management and Project Management in a number of roles and industries

PEO Activities

- Chatham-Kent Chapter: Past-Chair (2001-2003) and Education Coordinator (1998-2000)

Ontario Society of Professional Engineers

- Full Member
- Member of Province-Wide Participation Task Force (2001-2002). This group was tasked with examining and developing the role of chapters within the mandates of PEO and the Society.
- Member of 2003 Membership Salary Survey Advisory Committee.



Engineers want their professional organizations to be a strong voice for reason backed up with action! Logical, sensible decision making and policies are needed. Oversight of the public's interest is best served by a governing body that makes professionalism a priority and a strong advocacy body that makes engineers proud. That's why I am involved with both PEO and the Society. PEO needs better representation from engineers of all disciplines and chapters across the province. What about electrical engineering, computer engineering and software engineering? What about self-employed engineers?

As a foreign-trained engineer, I faced more challenges to become licensed than a Canadian graduate and my early career included progression through a formalized EIT training system. I would like to use this experience to contribute specifically to encouraging progression of graduates through being an EIT to becoming professional engineers, as well as working for transferability of our licence across provinces and the United States.

My past service on the Executive of the Chatham-Kent Chapter reflects the values that I consider important—communication, efficiency and involvement. I developed electronic communications to keep in contact with our membership, which is still helping with the distribution of newsletters and other information by email.



JOHN VIETH, P.ENG.
Director of Research and Development, Digital Cinema Business Unit, DALSA Corporation, Waterloo

Nominated by the Western Region Nominating Committee

Education

- B.A.Sc., Electrical Engineering, University of Waterloo, May 1984
- M.A.Sc., Systems Design Engineering, University of Waterloo, May 1992

Professional Memberships

- Professional engineer, Ontario, since 1986
- Full member of OSPE
- Senior Member, IEEE; Member since 1986

Professional Career

I have worked in high technology industry for 20 years, beginning with engineering of electronic products, then systems engineering. To gain business experience, I managed business development, product management and marketing departments. I currently work in senior R&D management with one of Canada's leading technology companies.

PEO Activities

- K-W Chapter Executive, 1998-2000
- Grand River Chapter Executive since 2000
- Grand River Chapter Chair, 2002-present

Community Service

- Director, NDSA Inc., a child and family services agency (since 1999)
- Director, Kitchener Waterloo Minor Football Association (since 1999)
- Past President, German Language School Concordia (director since 1998)



Our engineering profession is facing many challenges in Ontario. We need to protect the public interest by ensuring our competency and integrity as practitioners. We also need to maintain a clear and accurate public perception of our profession. With the genesis of the Ontario Society of Professional Engineers, our profession has created great opportunities. PEO must now work to understand the roles of advocacy and regulation in the context of a partnership. The strategic direction of PEO is facing change.

Our profession has undergone change before, and has grown. I believe this growth has occurred through the effective service of its members. Countless hours of volunteer service have built and shaped it. Much of this valuable service is provided at the local, grass-roots level. Our chapter system is the key to harnessing this service for the benefit of our profession. I have served at the chapter level for over six years. I appreciate all of the learning and experience that I have gained over this time.

I believe that our association needs the strong voice of its membership as it continues to grow through these challenging times. I believe that our chapter system is the vehicle for this voice to be heard. Not everyone shares this view. The continued role and existence of chapters is being questioned. I am concerned that the voice of the membership in the direction of our association may become a mere whisper. Therefore, I stand before you now as a candidate for Councillor to represent the Western Region. If you also believe that Professional Engineers Ontario remains an association of us, the members, please cast your ballot in my favour.