



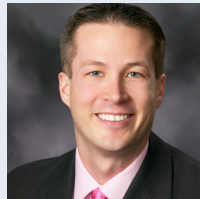
# 2024

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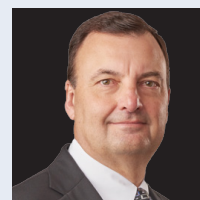
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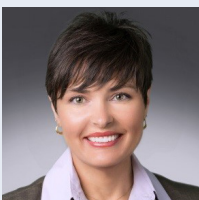
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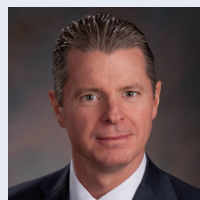
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Principal, National Tax  
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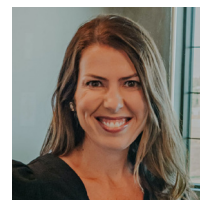
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President  
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COLUMBUS  
  
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Farms and DNA Genetics  
**Pillen Family Farms**



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President  
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# DISTRICT DIRECTORS



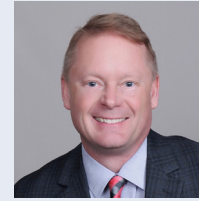
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Valentine  
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**Nick Batter**

Corporate Counsel  
**Hawkins Construction Company**  
Omaha  
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**Central Nebraska Public Power & Irrigation District**  
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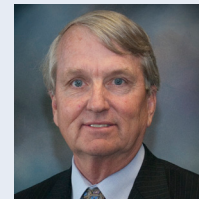
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Administration  
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Lincoln  
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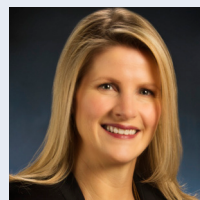
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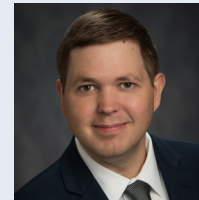
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**John Dinkel**

Owner  
**Dinkel Implement Co.**  
Norfolk  
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VP - Customer Services & Ext.  
Affairs & Chief Customer Officer  
**Nebraska Public Power District**  
Columbus  
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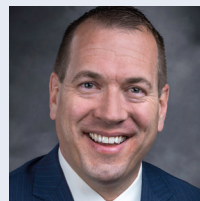
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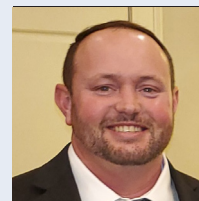
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CEO  
**Bryan Health**  
Lincoln  
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**Dan Harbeke**

Head of Public Policy and  
External Affairs  
**Google**  
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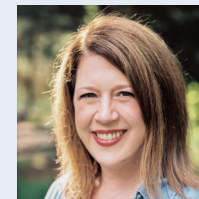
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**Mark Hesser**

President  
**Pinnacle Bank**  
Elkhorn  
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**DISTRICT I**  
**Kevin Jarosz**

Vice President  
NE Gas Operations  
**Black Hills Energy**  
Lincoln  
12/31/25



**DISTRICT III**  
**Jessica Kolterman**

Director of Administration  
**Lincoln Premium Poultry**  
Fremont  
12/31/25



**DISTRICT I**  
**Steve Konnath, FSA, MAAA**

Chief Actuary, Underwriting and  
Analytics Officer  
**Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Nebraska**  
Omaha  
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Chairman  
**Preferred Popcorn, LLC**  
Chapman  
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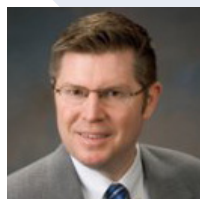
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**Scott McLain**

President & CEO  
**Garner Industries**  
Lincoln  
12/31/24



**DISTRICT I**  
**Scott S. Moore**

Attorney  
**Baird Holm Law Firm LLP**  
Omaha  
12/31/24



**DISTRICT II**  
**Stephen Mossman**

Attorney-at-Law  
**Mattson-Ricketts Law Firm**  
Lincoln  
12/31/25



**DISTRICT I**  
**Kyle Nixon**

Director of Supply Chain  
for the Americas  
**Novozymes Blair Inc.**  
Blair  
12/31/26



**DISTRICT I**  
**Jim Nolan**

Vice President - Communications  
& Federal Government Affairs  
**Mutual of Omaha**  
Omaha  
12/31/24



**DISTRICT III**  
**Anthony F. Tony Raimondo, Jr.**

Chairman & Coach  
**Behlen Mfg. Co.**  
Columbus  
12/31/26



**DISTRICT II**  
**Anwar Rida**

President  
**TMCO, Inc.**  
Lincoln  
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# DISTRICT DIRECTORS - CONTINUED



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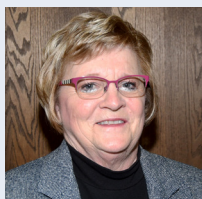
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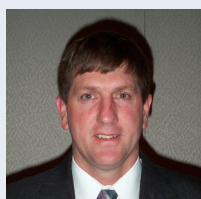
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**Union Pacific Railroad Company**  
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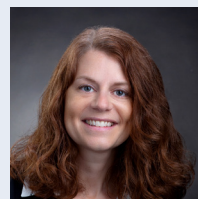
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**Jayne Smith**

CEO  
**Wortman Enterprises**  
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President  
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Bassett  
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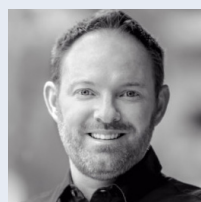
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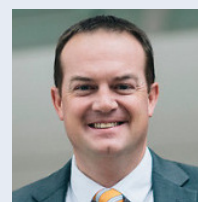
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President  
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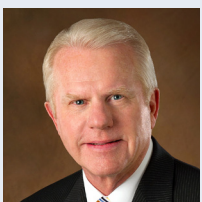
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**Blake Waggoner**

Vice President of External Affairs  
**Nomi Health**  
Orem  
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DISTRICT I  
**Dave Warren**

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**FNBO**  
Omaha  
12/31/26



DISTRICT V  
**Matthew Williams**

Chairman  
**Flatwater Bank**  
Gothenburg  
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President & CEO  
**Lindsay Corporation**  
Omaha  
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## APPOINTED DIRECTORS



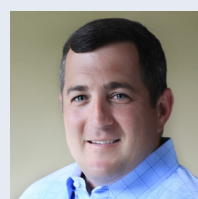
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**Rex Fisher**

Senior Vice President  
**HDR**  
Omaha



DISTRICT II DIRECTOR  
**Bob Caldwell**

Executive VP & CAO  
**NEBCO, Inc.**  
Lincoln



DISTRICT III DIRECTOR  
**Arnie Robinson**

President & COO  
**Norfolk Iron & Metal**  
Norfolk



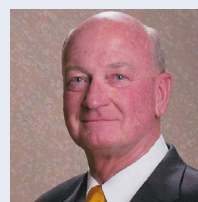
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**CNH Industrial**  
Grand Island



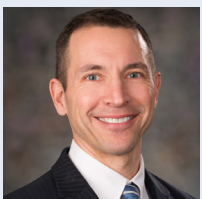
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**Luke Wassom**

General Manager  
**Sargent Pipe Company, Inc.**  
Broken Bow



DISTRICT VI DIRECTOR  
**Owen Palm**

Owner  
**21st Century Equipment LLC**  
Scottsbluff



**Chris Kabourek**

Interim President  
**University of Nebraska System**  
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# PAST CHAIRS OF THE BOARD



**Ryan Parker**

President & CEO  
**Endicott Clay Products Co.**  
Fairbury

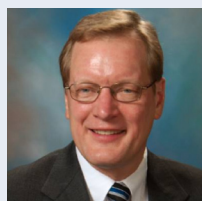
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Grand Island

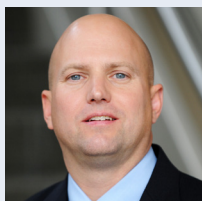
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**Dirk A. Petersen**

Partner  
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Norfolk

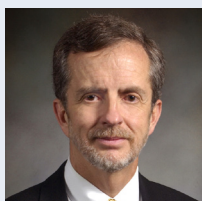
2017



**Chris C. Roth**

President & CEO  
**Reinke Manufacturing Co., Inc.**  
Deshler

2014



**Richard S. Reiser**

Lobbyist  
**Nebraska Trucking Association**  
Omaha

2010



**Tom L. Whalen**

Consultant  
Yutan

2007



**G. Richard Russell**

President  
**Millard Lumber, Inc.**  
Omaha  
2004



**Scott D. Moore**

Senior Vice President -  
Corporate Relations & CAO  
**Union Pacific Railroad Company**  
Omaha

2022



**Todd Foje**

CEO  
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Blair

2019



**Steven S. Martin**

Managing Partner  
**Paxton Advisors**  
Omaha

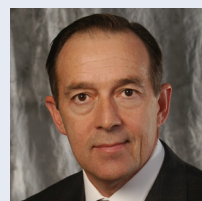
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President  
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Bellevue

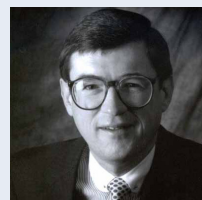
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**Marc LeBaron**

Chairman & CEO  
**Lincoln Industries**  
Lincoln

2009



**Rich Bailey**

Of Counsel  
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Lincoln

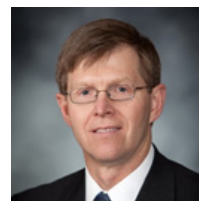
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**Richard B. Campbell**

President  
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Lincoln

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**Mike Boyle**

President  
**Kawasaki Motors Mfg. Corp. USA**  
Lincoln

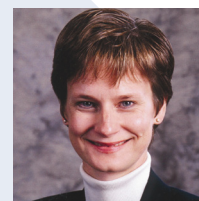
2021



**Rich Herink**

Market Executive  
**First National Bank**  
Lincoln

2018



**Kimberly A. Russel**

President & CEO  
**Bryan Health**  
Lincoln

2015



**Steve Ford**

CEO  
**Pepsi-Cola Bottling Co.**  
Lincoln

2012



**G. Lee Glenn**

Vice President/CFO  
**Kelley Bean Co.**  
Scottsbluff

2008



**Gary Warren**

Senior Consultant  
**Hamilton Telecommunications**  
Aurora

2005



**C.G. "Kelly" Holthus**

Chairman  
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York

1996

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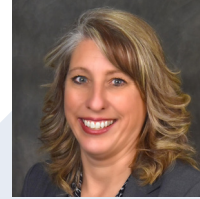
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**Farm Credit Services of America**  
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Economic Development  
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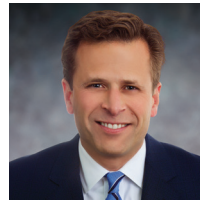
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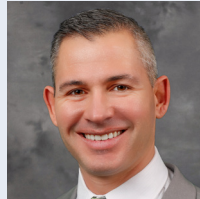
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Public Policy  
**Greater Omaha Chamber of Commerce**  
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President & CEO  
**Kearney Area Chamber of Commerce**  
Kearney



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Tax & Consulting  
Shareholder  
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Aurora



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Hebron



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President  
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Lincoln Premium Poultry



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Director Generation  
Strategy & Orientation  
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Beatrice

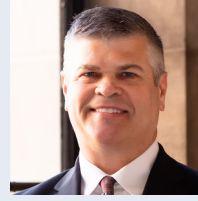
# STAFF



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COO &  
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Membership & Marketing



**Alex Reuss**  
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- Legislation & Policy



**Ron Sedlacek**  
Vice President General  
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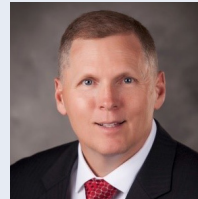
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Vice President -  
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