

Name: **Michael D. Vince, MPA**
Title: Executive Director
Company: Central States Air Resource Agencies Association (CenSARA), Baton Rouge, Louisiana
Join date: 2003
Section: Louisiana Section

Education and professional credentials:

- 1982 - Bachelor of Science Poultry Science - Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA
- 1994 - Masters of Public Administration - Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA
- 2003 - Certificate in Supervisory Techniques - Comprehensive Public Training Program, Baton Rouge, LA
- 2013 -Inaugural President - Association of Air Pollution Control Agencies (AAPCA)
- Past Chair - Louisiana Environmental Health Association
- Past Co-Chair of Public Education and Communications Committee, National Association of Clean Air Agencies (NACAA)

Biographical summary: I worked in numerous capacities within the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality for 34 years. For the past 3 years, I have served as the Executive Director for Central States Air Resource Agencies Association (CenSARA) which is a multijurisdictional agency that provides training and other support to state and local air quality agencies. I have been married for 39 years to Mary Kay Vince and have one living son. I am a proud grandfather to two rambunctious boys who are 7 and 4. I am a member of the Knights of Columbus and have previously served as Grand Knight for my Council. I enjoy traveling and hanging out with my friends.

A&WMA activities and offices held:

- Served as Section Newsletter Chair November 2005 - December 2007
- Served as Co-Chair of the “Environmental Focus” annual Section fall conference in 2005 and 2007.
- Served as Co-Chair of the Local Host Committee for the 2006 and 2016 Annual Conference and Exhibition
- Served 2 years as Vice-Chair of the Louisiana Section (2007-2008) and then 2 years as Chair (2009-2010).
- Member of Education Council, serving as chair of the Scholarship Committee
- Non-voting member of Scholarship Trustees
- Over 10 years as part of the ACE Student Activities, as member of the ECi Planning Team

Goals and Vision for the Association:

Our Association has weathered a number of difficult times during our existence. Difficult decisions that we made previously have strengthened and shaped our ability to not only survive but thrive. We must be diligent and continue in our efforts to expand our membership base and continue to provide services to our membership that they seek. In order to do this, it will continue to take innovative thinking and new ideas as we continue to bring increased technical value to all levels of our membership. This may cause us to challenge some of our current practices, but as within every type of organizational unit, we must continually re-evaluate our services and their delivery methods. Life is not stagnant but ever changing, therefore we should not allow our Association to be left behind. From firsthand experience, I believe we need to continue to pursue the cultivation of improved communication pathways with government leaders and challenging them to become active members and leaders in the Association. We should continue efforts of Past-President Hough in this regard by working to increase communications with U.S. state and local leaders. And of course, we must continue to attract young professionals into the Association to ensure that we remain healthy, vibrant, and continue to be recognized as THE source of credible information and knowledge.

In our jobs and home life, we all struggle to provide high levels of service with value while effectively managing limited human and financial resources. As members, you look to the Board of Directors to effectively manage Association resources and provide you with valuable information. You must have faith in your Board, and as a Director, I feel that the experience I can bring to the table will benefit the Association. I approach projects and issues with a simple thought - do the right thing the right way and for the right reasons. I believe that I have the skills and talents necessary and believe that I can benefit your Association as a Director.

Throughout my career, I have served on numerous teams that have resulted in positive outcomes for my agency. Whether it was serving as team leader of a relatively small project like designing a web based emissions inventory system for our agency, or working as a member of the team that resulted in a total reorganization of my 1000+ member agency, I have been involved in team projects. Within my Louisiana Section, I have served as a member of our annual conference planning team and served on the 2006 and 2016 ACE Local Host Committees. I have proven that I have the skills necessary to work as a part of or lead a team. Just a few years ago, I was asked to take the role of inaugural president of the Association of Air Pollution Control Agencies (AAPCA) and one of the reasons that I was given this task was because I have shown that I have the organizational and interpersonal skills needed to get projects off the ground and completed.

I believe that I have demonstrated that I have the knowledge, skills and dedication to contribute positively to the Association. Throughout my career, I have contributed to the positive outcomes of the teams, projects and organizations I have been affiliated with. I have gained immeasurable knowledge from my participation in Louisiana Section activities and I know that other Sections and Chapters all have successes that can be shared and potentially built upon within the Association. I am willing to make that commitment to work diligently to ensure that we have a healthy Association into the future.