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Michael Varney became the president & CEO of the Tucson Metro Chamber in May 2011. Prior to that, he served as the president and CEO of the North Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce and the vice president of marketing of the Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce. In his current role he is responsible for or has oversight of all aspects of the organization's operations including planning, product development, government affairs, communications, research, finance, and member services.

Mr. Varney is a native of Madison, Wisconsin. He is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin, having earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Communication Arts.

He has been a regular speaker on various aspects of chamber of commerce operations at local, state, regional and national chamber of commerce conferences across North America.

He is the immediate past chair of the board of directors of the Western Association of Chamber Executives and is the vice chair of the board of directors at the Arizona Chamber Executives (ACE) and just concluded a term as a board member of the American Chamber of Commerce Executives (ACCE).

Mr. Varney is also a member of the board of directors of Visit Tucson, the local convention and visitors bureau, and Linkages, a local non-profit specializing in job placements for people with disabilities.