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Peter J. McNamara, IOM, CAE, JD, is President of the New Hampshire Automobile Dealers Association (NHADA), located in Bow, New Hampshire. NHADA represents over 500 motor vehicle-related businesses in the state of New Hampshire that generate 24 percent of retail sales in the state.

Pete has held the position of President since January of 2008. As President, he manages a multi-function organization, including not-for-profit and for-profit entities, and is responsible to the NHADA Board of Directors and its four affiliate Boards of Directors/Trustees. The affiliate companies are comprised of the NHADA Workers' Compensation Trust, NHAD Services, Inc., NHAD Health Insurance Trust, and the New Hampshire Automotive Education Foundation, of which he is the Executive Director.

Key responsibilities include managing all government relations activities, public/media relations, workforce development and membership relations, as well as managing a professional staff of 31. Pete serves on the Board of Regents for the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation's Institute for Organization Management. He is a board member of NADA's Region One Automotive Trade Association Executives (ATAE) and is a member of NADA's Public Affairs Committee. He is a board member of the State Workforce Innovation Board and is a member of the Traffic Safety Commission.

Previously, Pete held the position of General Counsel & Governmental Affairs Lobbyist for the Illinois Automobile Dealers Association for ten years. He also served as Assistant Counsel to the Speaker of the Illinois House and worked as a Campaign Coordinator. He most enjoyed tossing pizzas and scooping ice cream in his formative years.

He is a 2014 graduate of the US Chamber's Institute for Organization Management and proudly earned the Certified Association Executive designation in 2016. Pete received a B.A. in Psychology from Western Michigan University and a J.D. from Loyola University of Chicago School of Law and is licensed as an attorney in New Hampshire.

Pete resides in Concord, New Hampshire, with his wife, Karen, and children, Connor and Brenna. When not working, Pete enjoys woodworking, cycling, reading, making pizzas, camping, and downhill skiing with his family.