

# Chateau Chantal Board of Directors

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## Officers/Directors



**Chairman of the Board:** Mr. Krupka served as President and Chief Executive Officer of Chateau Chantal from 2004-2014. He retired in 2003 as Manager of International Market Analysis for BP,Plc. in London. Prior to BP he served as Worldwide Director of Strategic Planning for Amoco Corporation. In the early 1980s Mr. Krupka was based in Traverse City and served as the manager for Amoco's Oil and Gas Production Operations in the Midwest. During that time, he led the United Way Fund Campaign for the Grand Traverse Area. He has served as a director and officer for numerous charities and professional societies. Mr. Krupka serves as a Deacon for Catholic parishes in Traverse City and Molokai, Hawaii. He is a published author with two books in print. Mr. Krupka and his family have a strong vested interest in their own vineyard

and the long-term growth of Chateau Chantal.



**Marie-Chantal Dalese** Marie-Chantal Dalese serves as the company's President & CEO. She is a marketing and management specialist with a unique graduate education in the wine business. She is the daughter of the founder and namesake for the Chateau growing up on the Chateau estate. She formerly served as Director of Marketing with Chateau Chantal and Secretary for the company. She previously worked with Connoisseur Wines, Inc as an Office Manager/Sales Representative/Marketing Assistant. Prior to that, she worked with Binny's Beverage Depot in Chicago as a Wine Consultant and Chateau Chantal in various functions.

Marie-Chantal has a Bachelor of Science in Marketing & Management from DePaul University, Chicago and a Graduate diploma in Wine Marketing from the University of Adelaide, Adelaide, SA Australia. She also completed the Roseworthy Wine Tasting Program in Adelaide and is a Certified Sommelier with the Court of Master Sommeliers.



***Robert Blackmer***

Mr. Blackmer serves as the company treasurer. He is a retired banker with JP Morgan Chase and graduated from Michigan State University. Bob now spends his time serving his family and our community through various volunteer work including building homes for Habitat for Humanity.

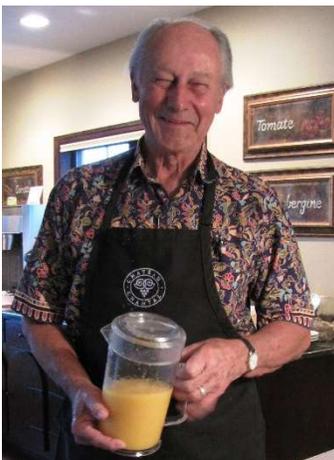


***Stephanie Coggon*** Stephanie Coggon serves as the company Secretary. She and her family have lived on Old Mission Peninsula since 1997, on Ochs Orchards, the family cherry orchard and vineyard. Stephanie is the business manager for the farm. She is a retired nurse and has a Master of Science in Nursing Administration from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and Bachelor of Science in Nursing from the University of North Dakota. Her family has a long history of involvement at Chateau Chantal and is one of the two largest shareholders in Chateau Chantal. Stephanie is a volunteer and board member of the Father Fred

Foundation and actively involved in other community work.

**Directors**

The By-Laws of the company allow five to nine directors with more upon approval of a simple majority. The Company's other current directors are:



***Chairman Emeritus: Robert P. Begin*** Mr. Begin is the Company's founder and former Chairman of the Board. Previously, Mr. Begin held the position of President and CEO. Mr. Begin resides in the manager's residence in the Chateau. Mr. Begin did post graduate studies in low income housing under a one-year Ford Foundation Grant, in the late 1960s. Further, Mr. Begin studied with the Smaller Company Management Program at the Baker School of Business, Harvard University, during the early 1970s. He served as associate and pastor within the Archdiocese of Detroit from 1960 to 1972. From 1972 to 1983, Mr. Begin served as the CEO of Matvest, Inc., a construction management company with operations in nine major cities at the time of his resignation.



**Garrett Coggon** is a Business Data Analyst working for the MDC Contracting and Manthei Veneer family-owned businesses in Charlevoix, Michigan. He manages their accounting software and company data. He previously worked as a software developer and business analyst for the Finance and Accounting department of the Boeing Company. Garrett has a Bachelor of Science in Biology from the University of Notre Dame and spent several years working in the environmental sciences field, including time advising Northern Michigan farmers on environmental best practices and regulatory compliance. He was raised on a cherry orchard and vineyard and continues to advise the family business on Old Mission Peninsula. During his younger years, he had the opportunity to work across many different areas of Chateau Chantal from the B&B and tasting room to the cellars and vineyard.



**Mary Krupka** Mary Krupka is a Senior Resource Manager at Edelman Chicago, overseeing the Health & Corporate practice groups in addition to Edelman's Design Studio. She previously worked at Leo Burnett/Arc Worldwide as a Senior Creative Resource Manager, originating the role at Arc and developing it over her seven years with the company. Prior to that, Mary worked in the marketing department at Crown Imports LLC (now Constellation Beers) for five years, most specifically coordinating retail promotions for off-premise national accounts. She has experience in non-profit administration including grant writing, managing communications, and project development from her years as Producing Director for a Chicago-based theatre company called Pavement Group.

Mary has a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Production Management from Emerson College and is currently working toward a Master of Arts in Organizational Leadership at Gonzaga University.



**David Pontes** David K. Pontes is a partner with Addis, Pontes & Antovski PLLC., specializing in automobile negligence, complex litigation, criminal law, driver license restoration, family law, municipal law, personal injury and premises liability. Mr. Pontes obtained his Bachelor of Arts Degree from the University of Vermont in 1999 and his Juris Doctor in 2006 from Wayne State University Law School. Mr. Pontes is licensed to practice before all Michigan State Courts, and the Eastern and Western Districts of the United States District Courts of Michigan. Mr. Pontes is a member of the State Bar of Michigan, SBM Criminal Law Section, SBM Litigation Section and LABAS. He was awarded the Rising Star distinction in General Litigation in 2011-2012, and 2014-2017 from the

publication Michigan Super Lawyers. Mr. Pontes also volunteers with Racquet Up Detroit, a coaching and mentoring program for children.



***J. Edson Pontes, MD***

Professor Emeritus of Urology and Surgery, Wayne State University School of Medicine and Karmanos Cancer Center. President of the Detroit International Research and Education Foundation (DIREF) and internationally recognized surgeon, Edson has followed Chateau Chantal operations from the beginning and is a vineyard owner with a strong ‘at risk’ interest in both Peninsula real estate and the winery’s success.



***Joseph Sarafa*** Joseph D. Sarafa started in the real estate development and property management business in 1990, joining his father-in-law’s company. From 1990-2005, they developed and managed over 125,000 square feet of property. In 2005, Mr. Sarafa took over as president of the company, and since then the company has experienced rapid growth. Sarafa currently co-owns over 700,000 sq. ft. of property in Michigan with no plans of slowing down. Mr. Sarafa and his partners control six properties in Grand Traverse County, Michigan. They intend to develop 215,000 sq. ft. of additional office, retail, and residential space on these properties by 2021. Envision Development, owned by Sarafa and his wife, is the umbrella LLC. that manages and develops properties throughout the state.

Sarafa is very involved in the community, serving multiple business and charitable organizations in several capacities over the years. He currently serves on the board of a publicly traded insurance company, a winery, and is involved in several local projects.

Sarafa has a Bachelor of Science in Business from the University of Michigan and a Juris Doctorate from the University of Detroit. He is a life-long Michigan resident and has been married to his wife Kelley for 32 years. They have two children, and two dogs.