

John M. Burgess Area 2 Director

Executive Business Unit Director, LPH Group, Patrick Industries P&L

John is the executive business unit director, LPH Group, Patrick Industries P&L. He is responsible for the Leisure Product Holdings Group, including direct responsibilities for marine concepts and design concepts in Sarasota, Florida. Marine concepts is an engineering design firm specializing in composite tooling for the marine industry, however also involved in aerospace, defense and entertainment industries.

The LPH group also includes Marine Electrical Products in Lebanon, MO (a wiring harness, panel and vacuum forming business) and Florida marine tank in Henderson, NC. The group represents a total of more than \$100M in revenue and includes most customers within the marine industry. Primary focus for these businesses has been revenue growth and continuous improvement.

Previous to Patrick Industries, John was the president of American Trailer Works, Southlake, TX. He was responsible for the PJ Trailers and Carry-on Trailer with revenues in excess of \$425M per year. Other roles at Carry-On Trailer included president, COO and materials manager. Prior to the 15 years in the trailer industry, he spent 15 years in the cast aluminum wheel industry as a tier one supplier to the automotive industry from 1986 through 2002. This was his first job after graduation and he is thankful for Professors Bob Wolf and Donald Askeland who helped him get started.

John earned his bachelor's degree in metallurgical engineering, Missouri S&T (UMR) in 1985 and a masters of business administration from Pepperdine University in Malibu, California in 1990. He finished his MBA while working full time at American Racing Equipment in Long Beach making aluminum wheels. John is on the Miner Alumni Association board of directors, and a member of the Missouri S&T Order of the Golden Shillelagh. He is also active with the Girls and Boys Club of Lanier and his Methodist Church. John has been a boy scout leader, soccer coach, and baseball coach.

John is married to his wife, Denise, and has seven children and seven grandchildren which keeps him busy for sure. John has one house on the beach and one on a lake, so boating and fishing with family is a highlight. He loves to travel and enjoy Mediterranean and Caribbean Cruises.