



Deborah M. Hamlin

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Deborah Hamlin, CAE, is the executive director of the Irrigation Association. Deborah has been an association professional for the last 20 years. Prior to IA, she served as executive director of the International Association of Plastics Distributors for 10 years. Deborah has also held positions with Applied Measurement Professionals, an association management and testing company in Kansas City, the New York State Nurses' Association, and her father's association management company in Albany, New York. Through captive organizations and association management companies, Deborah has worked with both professional and trade associations, large and small.

Deborah received her undergraduate degree from the New York State College at Oneonta and her MBA at Rockhurst College in Kansas City, Mo. Deborah is a certified association executive through the American Society of Association Executives, and was named an ASAE fellow in April of 2000. In addition, Deborah is past president of the Kansas City Society of Association Executives, and the 2003 recipient of the KCSAE Distinguished Association Executive Award.

Deborah and her husband Rob now reside in Falls Church, Va. In their free time, they enjoy sailing on the Chesapeake Bay.

