

My name is David B. See and I am seeking your support in my bid for re-election to the position of Director-at-Large on the IAFC Volunteer and Combination Officers Section Board of Directors. I have served in this position since August 2006 making significant contributions to the continued success of VCOS, promoting the section and upholding its reputation as the largest and one of the most active and progressive sections of the IAFC.

I have met many of you in my travels across the country, through calls or e-mails, and have heard your concerns and issues that you deal with in your respective departments. They are the same nationwide: personnel safety, funding, personnel qualifications, recruitment and retention, and even the "two-hatter" issue. As the CEO of a metropolitan municipal combination department in Salisbury, Maryland I dealt with each of them and more on a daily basis. I continue to deal with them as I serve in my hometown's combination department (Delmar, Delaware).

The VCOS mission is to assist volunteer and combination fire service leaders in dealing with the multi-faceted issues that face them now and well into the future. The section's core mission and subsequent projects impact everyone in the nation's fire service. During my tenure as a Director I have worked with my colleagues, and many of you, on numerous projects that have dealt with those issues and those projects continue to pave a positive path for the future of the fire service nationwide. Each of us is proud of those accomplishments and I am hopeful that I will be selected to serve on the Board for another term. Thank you in advance for your continued support as each of you participates in this election process. Please cast your vote for me and always remember - ***Everyone Goes Home!***