

Richard Maladecki

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Richard Maladecki has served as President / CEO of the Central Florida Hotel and Lodging Association (CFHLA) for 16 years. As President / CEO of the “World’s Largest Regional Lodging Association” he is responsible for overseeing a \$2 million budget and managing a 45 member Board of Directors, consisting of hotel General Managers and tourism industry executives.

With over 30 years of non-profit executive experience, Mr. Maladecki has held leadership positions with a diverse group of associations. He first began his career working in several roles at Junior Achievement. Since that time, he has also served as the Executive Director of The Electrical Association of Philadelphia and as President of Parents, Inc. In 1995, he published an 180 page book of practical ideas and insights for non-profit managers entitled Bits, Tips, and Power Points (published by the American Society of Association Executives, Washington, D.C.).

Mr. Maladecki has further distinguished his reputation through his involvement in the Central Florida community. He currently serves as a Board Member on Visit Orlando (the Destination Marketing Organization), is a former President of the Orange County Library Board of Trustees, sits on the Central Florida Boy Scouts Council and the Valencia Foundation Board of Directors. In 2007, Mr. Maladecki was honored as a Boy Scouts of Central Florida “Golden Eagle” Awardee. He has also served on the Blue Ribbon Task Force and the Orange County Sheriff’s Transitional Team. In 2011, Mr. Maladecki was invited to serve as the UCF “Commencement Speaker” for the Spring graduating class.

For nine consecutive years, he has been honored as one of Orlando Magazine’s “50 Most Powerful People.” As an adjunct professor at the University of Central Florida, Mr. Maladecki teaches upper-level courses in Volunteer Management, Non Profit Organizations and Resource Development. Mr. Maladecki is also an active member of the Dr. Phillips Rotary Club.

He received a Bachelor of Science degree in 1977 from Wayne State University in Detroit, Michigan majoring in History and Education with a minor in Business and also earned a Secondary Teaching Certificate. In 1995, he was awarded a Master of Science degree in Non-Profit Management from Eastern College in St. Davids, Pennsylvania.