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# National Academy of Arbitrators Elects Officers; Allen Ponak Named President-Elect



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CHICAGO--([BUSINESS WIRE](#))--Allen Ponak of Calgary, Alberta, Canada, was elected President-Elect of the National Academy of Arbitrators (NAA), [www.naarb.org](http://www.naarb.org), the leading North American organization of labor and employment arbitrators, it was announced here today following the Academy's annual meeting.

Ponak will succeed current President Shyam Das when his term expires in May 2015 at the annual NAA conference for labor and management practitioners in San Francisco, CA.

"The Academy represents the very best of our honorable profession," said Ponak, a full-time arbitrator. "It is an enormous privilege to serve as president and I am looking forward to working with all members and stakeholders."

Others elected include: Vice Presidents: Robert Gary Bailey, Columbia, MO; Donald S. McPherson, Indiana, PA; Robert B. Moberly, St. Augustine, FL; and Daniel J. Nielsen, Lake Bluff, IL; Governors: Fredric R. Dichter, Milwaukee, WI; Paul F. Gerhart, Cleveland, OH; Edward Harrick, Glen Carbon, IL; William McKee, Denton, TX; and Sylvia Skratek, Seattle, WA.

## About the National Academy of Arbitrators

The National Academy of Arbitrators (NAA), [www.naarb.org](http://www.naarb.org), is a professional and honorary organization of more than 600 labor and employment arbitrators from the United States and Canada. Founded in 1947, the NAA fosters the highest standards of integrity, competence, honor, and character among those engaged in the resolution of labor-management and other workplace disputes.

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