

Personal Life

Rich was born and raised in Stark County.

Purchasing his first house in 2001, Rich became involved in helping create a voluntary neighborhood association working with the Stark Community Foundation. He invested in real estate purchasing foreclosed properties and then improving them helping the community and promoting home ownership.

Rich went on to earn his Bachelor's degree in the science of legal studies graduating from Kaplan University in 2011.

Rich met his spouse, Joe, who is the curriculum instructor at Perry Local Schools in 2017. Marrying at their home in 2020. They enjoy traveling, hosting friends and family at their home, and boating as much as Ohio weather permits.

Professional Life

Rich became licensed in 2002 and obtained his broker's license in 2018 becoming the broker for Keller Williams Legacy Group Realty. While Rich remained the broker for KWLG, he also served from April 2022 – May 2024 as the general manager for 3 Keller Williams franchises. As general manager, Rich was responsible for growth, profits, and managing expenses. In July 2024 Rich moved into a new role as a manger to the brokers of 3 Keller Williams franchises as well as being hired by the Stark Trumbull Area REALTORS® as the Government Affairs Director.

Rich is passionate about the real estate industry and advocates by volunteering his time to the local, state, and National Association of REALTORS®. His advocacy extends beyond volunteerism as Rich committed to being a major investor in 2017 and each year after. In addition to his commitment as a major investor, Rich committed to being a Presidents Circle investor in 2022 to date, investing in REALTOR® champions at the National level.

Stark Trumbull Area REALTORS® Participation

Rich served on the Stark Trumbull Area REALTORS® executive committee being elected to Treasure in 2018, Vice President in 2019 and President 2020 - 2021.

During Rich's time on the executive committee, he focused on member benefits, strategic planning, budgeting and was instrumental in the consolidation of the Stark Trumbull Area REALTORS®. (Formerly Stark County Association of REALTORS® & Warren Board of REALTORS) He negotiated pricing and entered into a contract with FOREWARN®, a safety app used for REALTORS®, brought in a strategic planning consultant from the National Association of REALTORS®, creating a new 3-year strategic plan, and worked on budgeting, cutting costs while adding a Government Affairs Director position. He was appointed by the new board to be president for a second consecutive year in 2021.

Stark Trumbull Area REALTORS® Committee Service:

Legislative affairs

RPAC

Bylaws/Policy/Strategic Planning

Grievance

Professional Standards

Norma L. Good Scholarship Committee

Women's Council of REALTORS® - Member since 2017

Ohio REALTORS® Participation:

2017 Graduate of the Ohio REALTORS® Leadership Academy

State Political Coordinator – SPC for Scott Oelslager 2023 - current

Legal Action Committee member 2024-2026

REALTORS® at the Rotunda – Attended 2022, 2023, 2024

Strategic Planning Committee

REALTOR® Director – 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023

Candidate Credentialing Committee - 2021

Executive Committee – 2022-2023

District Vice President – 2022-2023

National Association of REALTORS® Participation

State & Local Issues Policy Committee – 2023