

# NEWS RELEASE

## REALTOR® Association of Pioneer Valley

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## Realtor® Association of Pioneer Valley Installs 2024 Leadership

**Springfield, Mass. January 18, 2024** – Peter Ruffini was installed as the 2024 president of the REALTOR® Association of Pioneer Valley (RAPV), a non-profit trade association with over 1,800 members. The 108th Annual Installation of Officers & Directors was held on Thursday, January 11, 2024, at the Twin Hills Country Club in Longmeadow, MA.

A REALTOR® since 1996, Peter is the Broker/Owner of RE/MAX Connections and has made a long-term commitment to the Realtor® Association of Pioneer Valley (RAPV) and the Realtor® family. In 2021, Peter has served on the local Board of Directors here at RAPV and, in 2022, served as Secretary, and in 2023 serves as Treasurer. He is involved in several committees at the Association, including the Government Affairs, Mediator & Ombudsman, Professional Standards, Bylaws & Policy Task Force, and Finance Committee. The RAPV named Peter Realtor® of the Year in 2015 and 2021.



Peter Ruffini  
2024 RAPV President

Peter served as President of the Massachusetts Association of REALTORS® in 2014. In addition to serving in leadership, Peter has been a member of the MAR Board of Directors since 2006. He received the MAR Private Property Rights Award in 2019 and the MAR Milton H. Shaw Distinguished Service Award in 2020.

Peter also currently serves as the Chair of the Massachusetts Board of Registration for Real Estate Brokers and Salespersons and holds 11 professional designations and certifications.

The following individuals were installed as 2024 Officers: Sue Drumm of Coldwell Banker Realty as president-elect; Brenda Cuoco of Brenda Cuoco & Associates Real Estate Brokerage as treasurer; and Lori Beth Betterton of LAER Realty Partners as immediate past president. Directors include Carrie Blair of Keller Williams Realty, Shawn Bowman of Trademark Real Estate, Janise Fitzpatrick of Jones Group Realtors®, Judy Nevarez of BHH Realty Professionals, Kelly Page of Trademark Real Estate, Erica Swallow of Coldwell Banker Realty – Western MA, Jennifer Tetreault of Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Realty Professionals, Don Thompson of NextHome Elite Realty, and Vinny Walsh of Coldwell Banker Realty – Western MA.

The installation was also attended by special guests, including 2024 MAR President Amy Wallick, 2024 President Elect Sarah Gustafson, 2024 NAR Regional Vice President for Region 1, Steve Medeiros, 2020 MAR President Kurt Thompson, 2022 MAR President, Dawn Ruffini, 2023 MAR President, David McCarthy, 2009 MAR President and Past Vice President for Region 1 Gary Rogers, South Shore REALTORS® CEO, Rachel Tristano, South Shore REALTORS® President Elect Bob Sullivan, REALTOR® Association of Central MA President, Cherie Benoit, and REALTOR® Association of Central MA CEO Colleen Pappas. ■

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### About the REALTOR® Association of Pioneer Valley:

Organized in 1915, the REALTOR® Association of Pioneer Valley is a professional trade organization with more than 1,800 members. The term REALTOR® is registered as the exclusive designation of members of the National Association of REALTORS® who subscribe to a strict code of ethics and enjoy continuing education programs.