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## **Karas of Adams Kitchens elected NKBA president**

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Mark Karas, CKMBD, general manager of Adams Kitchens, Inc, has been elected 2010 president of the National Kitchen & Bath Association (NKBA).

Active in the NKBA for more than 20 years, Karas has served as vice president of communications, vice president of programs, and president for the Northern New England chapter. Nationally, he has served on the board of governors of Dealers, Ad Hoc CAD design committee, board of directors, and executive committee, as well as chair of the certification subcommittee, professional development committee, Ad Hoc sustainability committee, and certification task force.

As a certified master kitchen & bath designer (CMKBD), Karas has shared his expertise in the Boston area as an adjunct professor for Boston Architectural College, which offers an NKBA-accredited kitchen and bath design program. He has also taught kitchen and bath design at Endicott College in Beverly, and lent his skilled eye as a judge in Yankee Magazine's 2008 Kitchen Challenge.

As 2010 president of the NKBA, Karas will determine policies and influence the decisions of North America's only association dedicated exclusively to the kitchen and bath industry. He will work with more than 70 local NKBA chapters across the United States and Canada and serve as an ambassador to companies, associations, and other organizations in the building and design fields.

About the National Kitchen & Bath Association

The National Kitchen & Bath Association (NKBA) is a non-profit trade association that owns the Kitchen & Bath Industry Show (KBIS). With nearly 40,000 members, the NKBA has educated and led the kitchen and bath industry for more than 45 years. The mission of the NKBA is to enhance member success and excellence, promote professionalism and ethical business practices, and provide leadership and direction for the kitchen and bath industry worldwide.

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