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Professional Profile: Ralph DeVito, Jr., 2015

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Name: Ralph DeVito, Jr.

Title: Principal

Company: RDK Engineers

Location: Andover, Mass.

Place of birth: Everett, Mass.

Family: Wife, Antonietta, a son Nicholas-11, and a daughter Lea-6

College: Franklin Institute of Boston/ UMass Lowell

First job unrelated to your current field: My first job was at 16, I repaired power tools during the summer.

First job in current field: I have only worked two places in 35 years, 19 years at R.G. Vanderweil and currently 16 years at RDK.

What your firm does now and its plans for the future? Full service MEP/TD/AV, Electronic Security, Commissioning and Energy Consulting. Continue to grow and expand.

Hobbies: Golfing and spending time with my family at our home in York, Me.

Keys to success: Listen, work hard and listen again. I am always good at explaining very technical issues in a way that the client can understand so that decisions can be made to move forward.

Person(s) you most admire (outside of family): Arnold Palmer, always equally gracious whether he won or not.

If you had to choose a different profession, what would it be? Carpenter, always admired what people can do with their hands.

Favorite novel: None, don't get time to read with a 6 and 11 year old.

Favorite film: I don't really have time to watch TV or see many movies other than children's movies.