

City of Springfield 2009 Developers Conference Speakers



Mayor Domenic J. Sarno

Mayor Domenic J. Sarno, a native son of the City of Springfield, has earned a reputation for his commitment to community-based programs to address quality-of-life issues, education and public safety.

As Mayor, Sarno has pledged to work to improve the future of Springfield's youth by taking a hard look at our public school system. Public safety, Mayor Sarno has stated, will also be a key priority to his Administration. Since taking office, Mayor Sarno has overseen the selection process of a new Police Commissioner and Superintendent of Schools, William Fitchet and Dr. Alan Ingram, respectively.

Secretary Greg Bialecki

Secretary Greg Bialecki oversees the Commonwealth's business development, housing & community development, and consumer affairs & business regulations undersecretariats. As Governor Patrick's chief housing and economic development advisor and cabinet member, Secretary Bialecki has oversight of fourteen state agencies.

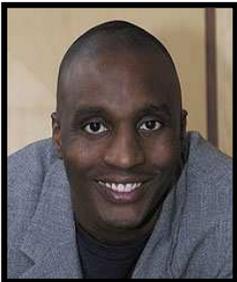
Prior to his appointment as Secretary of Housing and Economic Development, Bialecki served as the Undersecretary of Business Development. He also leads the Governor's Development Cabinet, which improves coordination across several Cabinet Secretariats involved in high level initiatives geared towards strengthening the Commonwealth's economic position.



Dee Brown

Entering his first season in the NBA Development League as Head Coach and Director of Basketball Operations for the Springfield Armor, Dee Brown comes to the NBA D-League with a wealth of experience in several facets of the game of basketball.

Perhaps the most defining feat for Brown during his tenure with the Celtics came during the 1991 All-Star Weekend in Charlotte. The 6-foot-1, 190-pound guard emerged the Slam Dunk champion, besting the 6-10 Shawn Kemp in the finals with what has become an iconic "no-look" dunk. After pumping up his sneakers, Brown draped his right arm over his eyes in mid-air and slammed the ball with his left.



John Judge, Chief Development Officer

John Judge comes to the City of Springfield with a wealth of experience in real estate development and civic engagement. As a former Executive Director of Habitat for Humanity, coupled with his tenure at Morgan Memorial Goodwill Industries and Boy Scouts of America, John has committed himself to community service and stresses the importance of accountable and responsive development services.

