



**Kent D. Beisner**  
**President & CEO**

Kent Beisner serves as President & CEO for the Kansas Chamber of Commerce. Kent has been with the Chamber since 2008 and in President's position since January 2010.

Prior to joining the Chamber, Kent had been in the beer and beverage distribution business for over 33 years. He was Vice-President and General Manager of V & M Distributing, Inc., a family owned Coors & Miller Distributor in Colby, Kansas from 1975 – 1989. Kent was Vice-President and General Manager for Jayhawk Beverage, Inc. & DeBauge Brothers, Inc. Coors, Boulevard and Miller Distributors from 1989 to 2008.

Kent and his family moved to Lawrence in 1989 when Jayhawk Beverage, Inc. was started. Kent currently serves on the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Committee of 100 and the Board of Directors for the Kansas Cavalry, a statewide economic development organization. He has served on the board for several local chambers of commerce. He has also served multiple terms on the Kansas Chamber Board of Directors. He is a member of the Leadership Kansas class of 1983 and served on the Board of Trustees of Leadership Kansas. Additionally, Kent is a long time Rotarian, is a past President of the Kansas Beer Wholesaler's Assoc. and board member, and was an Ambassador for Colby Community College. Kent is a past President of both Sacred Heart Church in Colby and Corpus Christi Church in Lawrence, has served on the Lawrence Library Foundation Board and numerous other boards.

Originally from Oakley and Colby, Kent studied pharmacy at the University of Arizona and has a business degree from Baker University. Kent played golf and basketball in college and continues to enjoy watching college basketball and playing golf in his free time. Kent and his wife, Diana, also enjoy time with their three grown children and 2 grandchildren.