

PAUL W. ZAJICEK

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR APRIL 2016 - PRESENT
National Aquaculture Association Tallahassee, Florida
Manages the administration, programs and strategic plan for the only national non-profit trade association that represents and advocates for U.S. aquaculture. Duties include fundraising, marketing, advocacy, and outreach. The position works exclusively for, and reports directly to, a 23-member Board of Directors.

DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR DECEMBER 2014 – APRIL 2016
National Aquaculture Association Tallahassee, Florida
Responsible for new member recruitment and day-to-day financial and administrative operations. Monitored and reported regulatory, market and science developments and issues.

ENVIRONMENTAL ADMINISTRATOR 2012 - 2014
Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Tallahassee, Florida
Enforced the Florida Aquaculture Policy Act (Chapter 597, Florida Statutes) relative to environmental protection and conservation by managing 3.5 FTE responsible for 600 certified aquaculture facilities and conducted farm inspections for environmental compliance.

BIOLOGICAL ADMINISTRATOR 1999 - 2012
Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Tallahassee, Florida
Technical specialist dedicated to environmental impact and mitigation and economic development for Florida's \$100 million aquaculture industry. Member of the National Aquaculture Association's Marine Aquaculture Committee; Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force representing the National Association of State Aquaculture Coordinators (2004-10); and Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council Ad Hoc Aquaculture Advisory Committee. Conference chair Aquaculture America 2008.

DEVELOPMENT REPRESENTATIVE I, II, III 1987 - 1999
Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Tallahassee, Florida
Implemented, developed and managed promotion and marketing of farm-raised fish, shellfish, reptiles and aquatic plant products.

GRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT 1985 - 1986
University of Florida, Department of Agricultural Engineering Gainesville, Florida
Thesis research and undergraduate teaching related to agricultural machinery sales and marketing.

MANAGER 1978 - 1984
The Bait Box Sanibel Island, Florida
Supervised and trained 4 FTE. Priced, inventoried and ordered 3,000 items. Captained commercial bait shrimp vessel.

FIELD BIOLOGIST 1969 - 1977
Caretta Research, Inc. Sanibel Island, Florida
Conducted and supervised nesting loggerhead marine turtle data collection for Southwest Florida. Managed remote island field camps with 3-4 FTEs. Authored year-end research reports. Maintained variety of field equipment: boats, ATVs and Jeeps.

EDUCATION

MASTER OF SCIENCE: AGRICULTURE 1985 - 1986
University of Florida Gainesville, Florida
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE: BIOLOGY 1973 - 1977
Florida Institute of Technology Melbourne, Florida