## **Paul Heller**

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## **EDUCATION**

Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas Bachelor of Science Degree in Marketing December 1989

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Vice President Wonderful Citrus II LLC Texas Division

May 2014

P&L Responsibilities for over 12,000 acres of citrus in the Rio Grande Valley of South Texas and the operations of two packing houses and distribution center.

Director of Farming, Texas for Paramount Citrus, Mission, TX

Responsible for all farming activities on the Texas west farm managing 5,500 acres of citrus.

VP of Field Operations for Rio Queen Citrus, Inc., Mission, TX

May 1993 - December 2012

Responsible for overseeing the operation of the grove care company caring for 5,200 acres of citrus. Duties include handling grower questions, managing the workforce, maintaining records for billing and government requirements as well as planning current and future cultural practices to maximize farm production.

## **OFFICES AND ACTIVITIES**

Texas Grower representative on the NAREEE Citrus Disease Subcommittee 2014 - Present The CDS mandate is to develop funding priorities for the Citrus Disease Research and Extension Program (CDRE), part of the National Institute of Food and Agriculture's (NIFA's) Specialty Crop Research Initiative (SCRI)

Citrus Budwood Advisory Committee

2012 - 2016

Rio Grande Regional Water Authority

2008 - Present

Texas A&M Kingsville Citrus Center Advisory committee Chairman 2009 -2011 2001 - Present

Texas Citrus Producers Board elected President in 2000 and 2001. 1997 - Present

Hidalgo County Irrigation District Number 16 Board Member

1997 to Present

Texas Citrus Mutual Board Member President from 1999 to 2001. 1995 – 2001, 2005 – 2012 & 2013 – Present