



Michael J. Beal

Mike Beal is the Secretary, Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Balls Food Stores, a retail grocery store chain with 26 store locations operating under the Hen House, Price Chopper, Sunfresh and Payless Discount Foods brands in the Kansas City metropolitan area. Immediately after earning his MBA from the University of Kansas in 1981 and prior to earning a J.D. from the University of Missouri at Kansas City in 1989, he managed

stores for Balls Food Stores, created and managed the IT department, and served as programmer and system analyst. After law school, he practiced in the areas of mergers and acquisitions, corporate finance, and general corporate matters for nine years, first with Smith, Gill, Fisher & Butts (SGFB), and then with Bryan Cave LLP after its merger with SGFB. He made partner with SGFB one and a half years prior to their normal seven year partnership track and was selected to become a partner with Bryan Cave before he left that firm to return to Balls Foods Stores to become its Chief Financial Officer, a position he held for 15 years. Mike was selected to become the first Chief Operating Officer of Balls Food Stores in 2012 and served in that role until 2019, when he returned to the CFO position. In the position of CFO, Mike has responsibility for all financial and administrative functions of the company. Mike earned a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from the University of Kansas in 1979 while on a football scholarship

Mike is a Board Member of The Greater Kansas City Crime Commission and a former Chairman, a former Board Member of the Missouri Grocers Association and a former Board Member of the Independence School Board Foundation. In addition, Mike is a Manager/Director of numerous commercial and residential real estate entities and a medical technology company specializing in cardiology.

Mike is married to Debra Beal and has three daughters, Molly (41), Marianne (30) and Morgan (27). He is a life-long resident of the Kansas City area.