

Joseph S. Colalillo
President, ShopRite of Hunterdon County, Inc.



Joseph Colalillo is a food industry leader who has served as chairman of the Board of Wakefern Food Corp. from 2005 to 2023, and as a member of its Board of Directors since 1989. As the merchandising and distribution arm for ShopRite stores, Wakefern is the largest retailer-owned cooperative in the country and one of the largest employers in New Jersey. Prior to becoming chairman, Joe served as the company's vice chairman from 1999 to 2005.

A second-generation grocer and Wakefern cooperative member, Joe is also president of ShopRite of Hunterdon County, a family-owned business founded in the late 1940's by his father, Joseph A. Colalillo. The Colalillo family owns and operates five ShopRite stores located in Flemington, Greenwich and Clinton, NJ; and Yardley and Bethlehem, PA. ShopRite of Hunterdon County employs more than 1,300 associates across all its ShopRite stores in New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

Joe serves on the Board of Directors for the Food Marketing Institute (FMI), a leading advocate for the food retail industry, and he is a past chair and current member of FMI's Food Safety committee.

Joe holds a bachelor's degree from Villanova University. He and his wife, Jeannie reside in Easton, PA.