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Krapf Group is a family-owned and operated transportation business established in 1942, by George Krapf, Jr., to provide pupil transportation for the local municipalities. Initially operating with two school buses, the company has grown and expanded, not only in size, but also in scope and diversity. Krapf is now one of the largest private providers of contracted school bus transportation in the nation, with operations in Pennsylvania, Delaware, New Jersey, New York and Virginia. The company has a fleet comprised of more than 2,500 school bus and commercial vehicles, and employs more than 3,500 individuals. In addition to pupil transportation, Krapf provides full paratransit service, fixed-route transportation, corporate shuttles, and luxury motorcoach services.

As the oldest son in a family-owned business, Dale began working from the ground up to learn every aspect of the growing pupil transportation firm as well as every hard lesson directly from one of the best in the business – his dad and founder, George Krapf, Jr.

Dale graduated from Lycoming College and officially began his full time employment with George Krapf, Jr. & Sons, Inc. in 1967. Initially he assisted with all facets of operations including maintenance and repair of vehicles, and in particular body repair, routing and scheduling and hiring and training of personnel. In the early 1980's, Dale identified the need and opportunity to expand the company into other areas of the transportation market and was directly responsible for forming and establishing a new division, Krapf Coaches, Inc. Recognizing the need for more diversified transportation in the area, Dale was also instrumental in submitting a proposal to the Chester County Commissioners to establish a county-wide paratransit service. Krapf Coaches was awarded the contract to provide such service and has been operating the county paratransit system continually since 1984. Dale envisioned and was directly responsible for establishing the Krapf Family Scholarship Fund to award a \$1,500 scholarship to a deserving senior at each of the high schools served by Krapf School Bus. This program began in 1991 and gifts approximately \$30,000 annually.

As the current Chairman of the Board of Directors for Krapf Group, Dale is an efficient and effective principal, providing strategic and tactical leadership to support the company objectives and business growth. He unifies and inspires the Board of Directors through his expertise and knowledge, financial advice and performance assessment.

Dale continues to be very involved with his alma mater, Lycoming College, and has served as a Trustee for twenty-five years. He is the immediate past-Chairman of the United Motorcoach Association and is a member and past President of the National School Transportation Association. Dale is a member, past President, and Founder of the Pennsylvania School Bus Association, and a member and past Chairman of the Chester County Chamber of Business and Industry and was named CEO of the Year in 2011.