

Art Martynuska
President, Pennsylvania Professional Fire Fighters Association

Art Martynuska retired in 2010 as Assistant Chief and paramedic for the City of Johnstown and President of the Johnstown Fire Fighters Union. Art was elected to the position of President of the Pennsylvania Professional Fire Fighters Association at the 41th annual convention of that association held in Philadelphia. The Association represents over 10,000 active and retired fire fighters, EMT's and paramedics throughout the Commonwealth. Mr. Martynuska has been active for many years in the local labor movement. He held the position of President for the Johnstown local fire fighters union for the 14 years. Currently, Mr Martynuska is a Vice President of the Pennsylvania American Federation of Labor/Council of Industrial Organizations. Mr. Martynuska has a Bachelor's Degree in Fire Science and Safety Engineering from the University of Cincinnati and Master's Degree in Public Safety from St. Josephs' University in Philadelphia.

From 2002-2005 Mr. Martynuska provided risk management consulting to the Gleason Agency which is now a part of Arthur J Gallagher Company. In 2003 he was selected by the International Association of Fire Fighters as one of two fire fighters from across the country to attend the prestigious Trade Union Program at Harvard University in Cambridge Massachusetts. He has also completed the Executive Fire Officer Program at the National Fire Academy in Emmitsburg, Maryland. Mr. Martynuska holds a Fire Officer IV certification as well as certifications in 15 other disciplines in the fire and emergency service field. Currently, he sits on the NFPA 1201 and 1250 committees. Art also is a graduate of the IAFF Political and Communication training academies. Mr. Martynuska is an adjunct instructor for the Pennsylvania State Fire Academy in Lewistown, PA and for Bucks County Community College. In addition, Mr. Martynuska sits on the Executive Committee of the Pennsylvania Fire Service Accreditation Advisory Committee, the Pennsylvania Municipal Employees Retirement Committee, Pennsylvania Fire Commissioners' Fire Safety Advisory Board, Pennsylvania 911 Advisory Board and Governor's Safety Committee. Prior to his election as President Mr. Martynuska served as a Recording Secretary for the State Fire Fighters Association, having first been elected to the that office in 2004.