

John R. Niemiec

Biography

Captain John R. Niemiec is a professional firefighter/paramedic with the Fairfax County, Virginia Fire and Rescue Department with more than 30 years of experience. As a professional firefighter, his current assignment is to serve Battalion 2 as an Emergency Medical Services - Paramedic Supervisor.

Captain Niemiec has served as **President** of the **Fairfax County Professional Fire Fighters and Paramedics – International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF) Local 2068** since 2007. Local 2068 comprises more than 1900 active and retired members involved in all aspects of interest and concern to its membership.

Prior to his election as President, he served as *First Vice President*, a position that provides a supportive platform from which to address issues of health and safety for career firefighters, paramedics, and other public safety personnel.

Captain Niemiec serves as **Trustee** on the Fairfax County Uniformed Retirement System Board. One key element of this position is working with other Board officers to oversee and protect a fund of over one billion dollars (\$1.6B) in assets.

Captain Niemiec also serves as an **Executive Board Member** of the National Conference on Public Employee Retirement Systems (NCPERS), the largest trade association dedicated to nonprofit public pension advocating. This includes, but is not limited to, serving as a research and education body for public sector trustees, administrators, and government officials.

Captain Niemiec is a graduate of the National Labor College with a Bachelor's Degree in Occupational Safety and Health, coupled with a Certificate of Completion from the George Washington University's EMT-Paramedic Program.

Captain Niemiec's efforts on behalf of professional firefighters and paramedics, and the community in which he lives, have been recognized with such honors as the EAC-Don Smith Award (Outstanding Service Rendered to County Employees), two Career Achievement Awards, and an Outstanding Performance Award.

Captain Niemiec resides in Fairfax, VA with his father and one of his two daughters.