

**Michael S. Needler, Jr.**

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**Bio**

Michael Needler, Jr. is the President and CEO of Fresh Encounter, Inc., a 100 store independent retailer located in Findlay, Ohio. Fresh Encounter stores operate under the Chief, Community Markets, Great Scot, Remke, Needler's Fresh Markets and Save-A-Lot banners. Michael joined Fresh Encounter in August of 2009 after spending five years in banking and capital markets in Los Angeles, Ca. He attended the University of Michigan's Ross School of Business for his M.B.A. He completed the Executive Management Development program at Cornell University and received his B.A. from Hanover College in Indiana, majoring in Economics and Finance. Michael serves on the FMI Board of Directors, member of the FMI Executive Committee, NGA Board of Directors, and past chair of the NGA Foundation Board of Regents. Michael is actively involved in his community and currently sits on the Board of Directors for the Findlay Family YMCA. He is most appreciative of time spent with his wife Bethany and their 4 children, Madeline, Hazel, Toulia and Michael III.

